Garden Quilt Show

11th Annual Garden Quilt Show at Reiman Gardens

Hosted by the Iowa Quilters Guild
September 17, 18, and 19
Friday & Saturday – 9:00 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday – 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thank you for your interest in the Annual Garden Quilt Show at Reiman Gardens. Our goal is to encourage the art of quilting, display a unique collection of "garden-themed" quilts created by talented Midwesterners, and provide instruction, demonstrations and lectures for both novice and experienced quilters. We hope that everyone who attends will be inspired by the quilts as well as the living beauty through the Gardens, in the Conservatory, and within the Christina Reiman Butterfly Wing.

Official Quilt Contest Categories for 2021

In 2021 we take time to reflect, connect, and celebrate what ties us to nature, and to each other. In spring we welcome blossoming bulbs and sculpture exhibit "Origami in the Garden," both representing a labor of love, patience, and the power of the human spirit. Like origami, nature folds and unfolds in breathtaking ways. From planting schedules and natural cycles to balance in form and structure, you'll see universal patterns reflected in our garden displays and mesmerizing holiday lights. The living earth repeats its many shapes in all colors and shades. It gives us healing herbs and a sense of peace we hope to share as you seek respite and enjoyment in tranquil places and programs we've cultivated for you this year.

Patterns Unfolding

Paper, patterns, folding, unfolding, creasing, and precision all play a part in quilting. Help us celebrate Reiman Garden's 2021 theme of origami with a paper pieced quilt. English paper pieced and paper foundation pieced quilts will both be included in this category as separate sub-categories.

Petal Pleats

There's nothing like a stroll through Reiman Gardens to make you appreciate the beauty of the world around us. Quilts often reflect this beauty and have been the foundation of this annual quilt show since its inception. Quilts in this category must include a garden theme in the design either by including fabrics which display a garden theme in the pattern or by creating a garden theme in the quilt pattern. Traditional quilt blocks with garden names such as: Lily, Flower Basket, Nosegay, Maple Leaf, Bear Paw, Flying Geese, etc. would also be included in this category. And there's no better way for an appliqué quilter or art quilters to show off their amazing talents than with a lovely garden-themed quilt!

Origami Block Challenge

This special category is open to Iowa Quilters Guild members only. Please visit www.iowaquiltersguild.com for information on becoming a member of the guild. Quilt blocks in this category must include use of a provided fabric (at no charge) and measure 12 ½ inches square (for a finished block size of 12 inches). Blocks must include a folded fabric element (e.g. Cathedral Window, prairie points, smocking, pleats, etc.). All blocks will become the property of IQG once entered in the challenge and will not be returned to the quilter. There is no charge to enter. Contact iaquiltersguild@gmail.com for more information.

Folded Flags – Patriotic Themed Quilts

Whether they served during peacetime or at war, our service men and women deserve our thanks. Help us reach our goal of presenting a minimum of 10 quilts to these deserving veterans. If you have someone to give a quilt to that's great, but if you would like to make a quilt for presentation but do not have a veteran in mind – we'll happily find one for you. Quilts in this category will be presented throughout the quilt show weekend at Reiman Gardens. Quilters need not be members of IQG to donate and present a quilt at this ceremony and there is not charge for entering these quilts in the show. Quilts will not be judged, but will be eligible for the Guild's Choice award given specifically to the best QOV displayed at the show. Due to limited hanging space, only quilts which will be presented at the quilt show will be accepted for display. **Contact** iaquiltersguild@gmail.com for registration form.

Call for Quilts!

A display of folded fabric quilts is planned in the main hall during the quilt show. The display will not be judged or eligible for prizes and no entry fee will be charged. If interested in participating, please **contact** iaquiltersguild@gmail.com.

Official Quilt Contest Rules for 2021

1. For EACH quilt entered, the maker(s) must submit a completed and signed entry form and a non-refundable entry fee of \$7 to Reiman Gardens no later than August 27, 2021.

Block challenge and Quilt of Valor entries do not require an entry form or a non-refundable entry fee of \$7, but must be registered with Iowa Quilters Guild. Contact them at iaquiltersguild@gmail.com for more information.

- 2. There is no limit to the number of quilts which can be entered by an individual.
- 3. No photos are required for entry.
- 4. There is no limit to the size of quilts that can be entered. However, extra-large quilts may be folded as necessary to enable display of as many quilts as possible.
- 5. There is no requirement for a hanging sleeve/rod pocket on the quilt. Quilts will be hung using binder clips or skirt hangers.
- 6. When quilts are delivered to Reiman Gardens for display, the front desk staff will safety pin a copy of the application to the quilt.
- 7. All quilts must be constructed of three (3) layers fabric and/or batting quilted together by hand, machine or a combination of the two methods and must be in excellent condition.
- 8. Traditional or modern appliqué quilts must be predominantly appliquéd and may be embellished. Traditional or modern pieced quilts must be predominantly pieced and may be embellished. A traditional or modern quilt does not have to be original and can be made from a pattern or kit. It may be made or quilted by someone other than the entrant. A quilt does not have to be a traditional block design to be considered a traditional quilt. All art-like quilts that are not of original design (purchased as a kit or made from a pattern) would still be considered a traditional quilt.
- 9. Art quilts may be pieced or appliquéd or a combination and may be embellished. An art quilt must be the entrant's original design and must be completely constructed and quilted by the entrant. Any quilt with a quilter listed who is *not* the submitter must be entered as a traditional quilt.
- 10. All decisions of the jurors and judges are final. Judges will view the quilts before awarding prizes. There will be First and Second place awards in each category. Viewer's Choice, Director's Choice, President's Choice, and Quilt Chair's Choice awards will be selected from among all quilts entered. Guild's Choice will be selected from QOV entries only.



Reiman Gardens creates a striking entrance to Iowa State University and the city of 2,500-square-foot indoor butterfly wing, a gift shop and much more. Our mission is to educate, enchant, and inspire an appreciation of plants, butterflies, and the beauty of the natural world.

Official 2021 Quilt Contest Deadlines

August 27, 2021 (Friday): For EACH quilt entered, the maker(s) must submit a completed and signed entry form and a non-refundable entry fee of \$7.

August 27 – September 16, 2021: Accepted quilts may be brought (or sent) to Reiman Gardens and must be received by NOON September 16.

September 17-19, 2021: 11th Annual Quilt Show. All entrants to the Quilt Contest receive free admission. (Only entrants receive free admission, not their guests.)

September 19, 2021: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Displayed quilts may be retrieved at Reiman Gardens.

September 20-24, 2021: Displayed quilts must be retrieved by owners, designated person, or postage/mailing materials to return quilt must be received by Reiman Gardens.

About Iowa Quilters Guild

The Iowa Quilters Guild (IQG) is the state quilt guild for all of Iowa! IQG was organized as a non-profit organization in August 1979 for the purpose of promoting the art of quilting. The IQG is a non-profit group supported 100% from fundraising efforts such as the annual quilting boutique at the Reiman Gardens' Garden Quilt Show, education programs, memberships, and private gifts. Dues are \$20.00 per year, payable after September 1. The mission is to promote the art of quilting in Iowa.

Official Quilt Contest Prize Packages for 2021

Best of Show - Chosen by the official judge.

- Best of Show ribbon.
- A \$100 gift certificate
- A free 1 year membership to Reiman Gardens.
- A free 1 year membership to the Iowa Quilters Guild.

1st Place (9 packages total) - Chosen by the official judge.

- Patterns Unfolding (separate categories for English Paper Piecing and Foundation Paper Piecing) & Petal
 Pleats categories only
- A 1st place ribbon.
- A \$50 gift certificate
- A free 1 year membership to Reiman Gardens.
- A free 1 year membership to the Iowa Quilters Guild.

2nd Place (9 packages total) - Chosen by the official judge.

- Patterns Unfolding (separate categories for English Paper Piecing and Foundation Paper Piecing) & Petal
 Pleats categories only
- A 2nd place ribbon.
- A \$25 gift certificate
- A free 1 year membership to Reiman Gardens.
- A free 1 year membership to the Iowa Quilters Guild.

1st Place (1 package total) - Chosen by the official judge.

- Block Challenge category only
- A 1st place ribbon.
- A \$20 cash prize.

2nd Place (1 package total) - Chosen by the official judge.

- Block Challenge category only
- A 2nd place ribbon.
- A \$15 cash prize.

3rd Place (1 package total) - Chosen by the official judge.

- Block Challenge category only
- A 3rd place ribbon.
- A \$10 cash prize.

Viewer's Choice (1 package total) - Chosen through popular vote by those attending the show.

- A Viewer's Choice ribbon.
- A \$25 gift certificate
- A free 1 year membership to Reiman Gardens.
- A free 1 year membership to the lowa Quilters Guild.

Director's Choice (1 package total) - Chosen by a member of the Reiman Gardens' staff

- A Director's Choice ribbon.
- A \$25 gift certificate
- A free 1 year membership to Reiman Gardens.
- A free 1 year membership to the Iowa Quilters Guild.

President's Choice (1 package total) - Chosen by the President of Iowa Quilters Guild for the best hand workmanship.

- A ribbon will be given.
- \$50 cash prize

Quilt Show Chair's Choice (1 package total) - Chosen by the Quilt Show Chairs of Iowa Quilters Guild for the best use of embellishments.

- A ribbon will be given.
- \$50 cash prize

Guild's Choice (1 package total) - Chosen by the Iowa Quilters Guild Members through popular vote.

- Folded Flag category only
- A ribbon will be given.
- \$50 cash prize