

A New York State of Mind 2010 Quilt Contest

Calling all quilters!

The Farmers' Museum is looking for submissions for our 2010 quilt contest. We invite quilters to submit an original quilt project that fits one of our contest categories:

- **New York Beauty Quilts**
Celebrate New York's textile art history by entering a quilt based on traditional motifs, styles and construction methods from the 18th- through 20th-centuries. Quilters are encouraged to reinterpret traditional designs to create a new quilt that reflects the experiences of today's textile artists.
- **Hometown New York Quilts**
New York is a state made up of neighborhoods, villages, towns, counties and regions, each with its own distinct identity. This category invites quilters to celebrate their hometown, however they define it, in a quilt of an original design.
- **Carousel Quilts**
One of the greatest industries of 19th-century New York State was carousels. One of the most beautiful, the Empire State Carousel, resides at The Farmers' Museum. Quilts in this category will draw on the color and creativity of the carousel tradition to create originally-designed new works of textile art.

Entries will be exhibited at The Farmers' Museum on October 16-17, 2010, and judged by a team of museum professionals and textile experts. Category winners will be exhibited at The Farmers' Museum or the Fenimore Art Museum as part of a 2011 quilt exhibition. Additional prizes will be awarded at the show for audience favorite, judge's choice and others.

Contest Rules

1. Quilts may be made by an individual or a group.
2. An individual or group may submit only one quilt per category; a separate entry form must be completed for each entry.
3. Each quilt must be constructed of fabric; use accepted quilting methods (piecing, appliqué, etc.); and be quilted by hand, machine or a combination.
4. The minimum quilt size is 30" x 30"; the maximum size is 110" x 110".
5. Quilts must have been completed between August 2007 and September 2010.
6. All quilts must include a rod pocket for hanging on the back top edge.
7. Entry submissions must include an entry form, \$20 entry fee, and an electronic image of the finished quilt (JPEG, or TIFF format) no larger than 500kb.
8. All entries must be postmarked by August 2, 2010. Quilters will be notified of their acceptance by August 31, 2010.
9. Finished quilts must be received at the museum by Monday, October 11 for display October 16-17, 2010. Category winners must be available for exhibit at The Farmers' Museum or the Fenimore Art Museum from May – December 2011.

For more information:

Please direct all questions to Kajsa Sabatke
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*A New York State of Mind
2010 Quilt Contest—Entry Form*

Name: _____

(Exactly as you would like it to appear in print and on all signage)

Names of others who stitched on the quilt: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Day Phone Number: _____

Size (inches): _____ " across by _____ " long

Entry hangs (choose one): horizontal vertical

Title of Entry: _____

Month/Year completed _____ / _____

Category:

New York Beauties Heritage Quilt

Pattern: _____

Hometown New York Quilts

Original Design Description: _____

Carousels of New York Quilts

Original Design Description: _____

Quilter's Statement:

Please tell us a little about your quilt in 100 words or less.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth in this entry application.

I understand that The Farmers' Museum will take every precaution to protect my quilt during judging and exhibition, and that the institution is not responsible for damage caused by unforeseen acts of nature.

I give The Farmers' Museum permission to use photos of my quilt and my quilter's statement in print or online for publications, promotional materials or educational purposes.

Signature _____ Date _____

Entry Checklist:

- Completed Entry Form
- \$20 Entry Fee (check or money order payable to The Farmers' Museum)
- JPEG or TIFF image of quilt on CD (please write your full name on the CD)

SEND ENTRY TO:

A New York State of Mind Quilt Contest
The Farmers' Museum
P.O. Box 30
Cooperstown, NY 13326
DEADLINE: AUGUST 2, 2010