



2026 HQG Annual Quilt Show – Part 2

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Summary of July Announcements

➤ **Planning/Advisory Team Members:**

- Carla Simao, Arlene Adams, Sally Little, Ruth Davis, Donna Kanealii, and Tracy Montgomery

➤ **Overall Goals:**

- Increase visitors
- Continue to attract new members
- Expenses covered through the income raised by the gift shop, donations, and program advertisements

➤ **Half-Square Triangle Challenge**

- See website for document containing challenge details.



2026 Theme

- In keeping with the Half-Square Triangle Challenge, the theme for 2026 is.....
- **Hands Stitching Together** (mahalo to Donna Kanealii for the theme!)
- The team designed a logo, which is in the process of being perfected for the pin.

2026 Featured Artist

- A member for about 9 years (2016).
- Participates in the Mini Bee and is on the Education committee.
- Congratulations to the talented **Annette Ichiki**, the Featured Artist for 2026! We can't wait to see her beautiful creations displayed!



Special Guests

- To meet our goal of **increasing visitors** while also providing **visibility** to a small quilting group, which **aligns** with the *Hands Stitching Together* theme.
- **Poakalani Hawaiian Quilt Design** will join us as our **Special Guests** in one of the hallways.
- Display their quilts and provide info on the organization, and **contribute items** for our gift shop.
- In exchange, we provide pipe and drape and lighting.
- OHA Property Manager is supportive.
- **Not in competition with our Featured Artist**; they will always be referred to as **Special Guests** in marketing materials.
- After the show, we'll **review the concept** and determine if other small quilting groups should be invited in the future.

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- **Pieced** – Quilts made by **stitching pieces of fabric** together into **blocks**. Includes **medallion styles** and **paper/foundation piecing**. May be based on **historic patterns, commercial designs, or reproductions** of well-known quilts using **traditional methods and craftsmanship**.
- **Modern** – Quilts inspired by **modern design elements**. Common features include **bold colors, high contrast, solid color areas, improvisational piecing, asymmetry, minimalism, low-volume fabrics, negative space, and alternate grid work**. Also includes **modern traditionalism, the updating of classic quilt designs**.

Note: Quilts with modern fabrics but traditional layouts should be entered in another category.



2026 Quilt Categories – *cont.*

- **Handwork** – Includes **hand appliqué** (edges of cut-out shapes turned and stitched), **Kwandi**, **hand piecing**, and **English Paper Piecing (EPP)**. **Traditional Hawaiian quilts** also belong in this category.
- **Appliqué** – Quilts primarily constructed with **cut-out shapes** applied to a **background**, usually **fused** and then **machine-stitched** in place.

2026 Quilt Categories – cont.

- **Art** – Original works exploring a **concept** through **textile manipulation, color, texture, or mixed media**. May include **collage quilts** and **decorative pieces**. Must be original to the artist, including original design collage quilts. Binding is not required; false backs and linings are allowed.

Note: Quilts based on someone else's pattern, a traditional design, or block structure should be entered elsewhere.

- **Specialty Techniques** – Quilts where **technique** is the primary feature, such as **photo quilts, whole cloth, panels, t-shirt quilts, heavily embellished quilts, surface design, crazy quilts, or puff quilts**. May include false backs, fewer than three layers, or no binding.

2026 Entry Rules





Entry Limit

Each guild member may enter up to **four quilts total**:

- **One Half-Square Triangle Challenge Quilt**
- **One Block of the Month Quilt** (not judged)
- **Up to TWO additional quilts** in different categories

Note: HQG class projects (**May 2025 - April 2026**) will be displayed in a special **Education Exhibit** and should **not** be submitted for entry. The Education Committee will be in charge of the display.




Category Selection

- Some quilts may fit more than one category.
- Please select the most appropriate category.
- Advisory Team may reassign categories if necessary (you will be notified).
- Advisory Team may combine or eliminate categories as needed.



Ribbons & Recognition

- Ribbons for **First, Second, and Third** *may* be awarded in each category.
- One overall **Viewer's Choice Award**.
- Not all ribbons are guaranteed to be awarded in each category; may depend on the number of entries.
- Balloting closes **Thursday, May 7**, ribbons presented **Friday, May 8**.

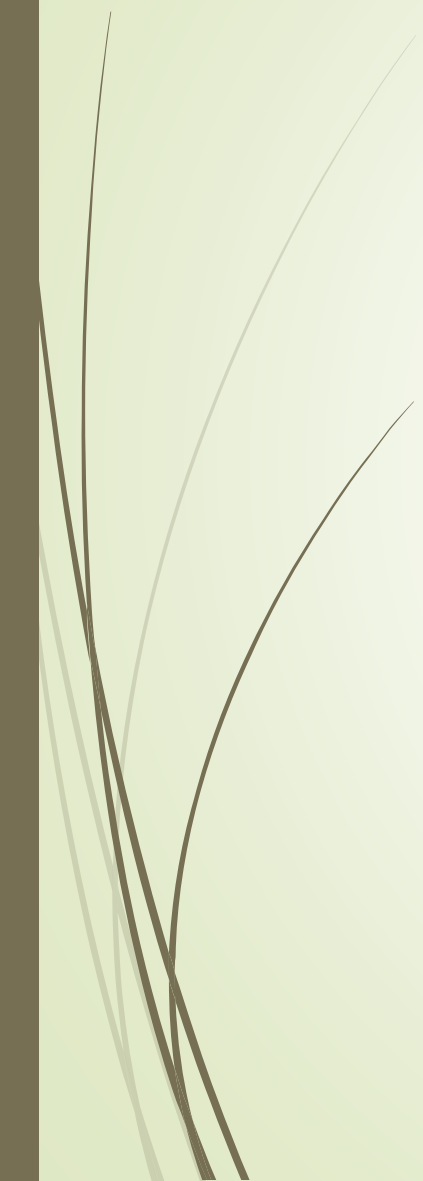


Quilt Requirements

- **Structure:** Three layers required (top, middle, backing).
Exception: Art and Special Techniques categories
- **Quilting:** Hand, machine, or tied.
- **Labeling:** Include your name and quilt name, fused or sewn to the back.
- **Hanging Sleeve requirements:**
 - Up to 24" wide: Triangle sleeves allowed.
 - 60"–100" wide: Split sleeve into two sections with a center gap.
 - Over 100" wide: Split sleeve into three sections with gaps.



Quilted Treasures Gift Shop

- Always **appreciative** of everyone's donations to the gift shop, the primary source of income for the show (\$10k in sales!).
 - The shop is a highlight for visitors, especially those who work in the building!
 - **Labels** – sew-in and iron-on are available at every meeting. See June newsletter for a list of popular items.
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2026 Important Dates

- **Entries accepted** February 1
– March 16
- **Challenge quilts due & voting** – **March 23** meeting
- **Installation** – Monday, April 27 thru Wednesday, April 29
(quilts deadline TBD)
- **Opening Reception** –
Tentatively Wednesday, April 29
- **Show** – Thursday, April 30
through Sunday, May 10
- **Teardown** – Monday, May 11

2026

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