

CHALLENGE QUILT

The challenge is a biennial guild activity. It provides guild members with an exercise in creativity. A challenge may be coordinated by one or two people. They set the theme, provide ongoing encouragement and incentives, coordinate the reveal, and award prizes. The challenge time frame is approximately six months from the initial announcement to the reveal.

The theme can be a topic, or feature a specific block or style of block, or use a common fabric or color. A specific size or a size range can be stipulated. (Caution: too many rules dampen creativity; too few rules may be overwhelming.)

An entry fee may be charged. This encourages participants to complete their projects and also helps to fund prizes.

Recent practices (not requirements) for reference:

- Six months is adequate time: announce in March, reveal in September.
- Have a monthly drawing for all who have signed up with a small prize such as a fat quarter.
- Cash is a welcome prize. \$100 / \$50/ \$25.
- Keep voting simple. Guild members vote for their favorite entry.

Themes we've used:

- Check It Out! (common red-check fabric)
- Birthstone/Birth Flower
- Initial Colors (the initials of your name in colors that begin with those letters)
- Name That Tune
- Birds of a Feather
- My Butterfly Garden
- The Death of Sunbonnet Sue
- Tradition with a Twist