

CHALLENGE QUILT

The challenge quilt selected for the 2022 Seaside Piecemakers Quilt Show is:

KENNEDY SPACE CENTER: YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW

Women have made phenomenal advancement in the history of space. This challenge quilt is dedicated to all women astronauts who have conquered new frontiers in space and their contributions to the American space program.

Challenge Quilt Requirements:

1. The quilt must include a space related picture (ex. Sun, Moon, Stars, Rockets, Astronauts, Space Shuttle, International Space Station). This can be part of the fabric you've chosen, or a picture printed on fabric then appliqued onto the quilt.
2. Include a creative backing that complements your quilt. The local quilt shops have some lovely space-themed fabric that would make great backing, borders or quilt block pieces.
3. The quilt must include a pieced quilt block that you've never made before. (For example, Road to California, Windblown Square, Oregon Trail.)
4. The length and width of the quilt must have no side/top/bottom shorter than 12" and no longer than 24".
5. The quilt must be quilted, including quilt top, backing fabric and batting in between.
6. Include a creative label on the back of your quilt. Make sure your name is on the label.

Optional:

1. You can embellish your quilt with variegated thread, sequins, buttons, a KSC mission-type patch or KSC mission-type pin.
2. You can embellish your quilt with decorative stitches found on a domestic sewing machine, for example Zigzag, Satin, Blanket, Overedge, Feather Stitch. (Decorative stitches are those sewn like the regular straight stitch.)

3. Binding is optional.

Not allowed:

1. Machine embroidery from a domestic machine (for example, a downloaded picture of the Space Shuttle or a Rocket).

Your Challenge Quilt must be turned in by the January 26, 2022 meeting or sooner. Bring the quilt in a brown paper bag so that no one will see ahead of time which quilt is yours.

The membership will vote on the Challenge Quilts during the break at the January SSPM general meeting. Award ribbons will be placed on the winning Challenge Quilts at the Quilt Show. Winners will be notified on February 17, 2022.

Ribbons to be awarded for Challenge Quilts are:

1. First Place
2. Second Place
3. Third Place
4. Judge's Recognition

There will be a special award ribbons for the following categories.

1. Best interpretation of a rocket
2. Best interpretation of an astronaut
3. Most comic theme in space
4. Unique colors in space
5. Best interpretation of a space theme
6. People's Choice Award
7. Honorable Mention

This Challenge is open to Seaside Piecemakers members and SSPM Circle members.

Thank you for accepting this challenge. Have fun creating this quilt and display your quilt with pride!