

Invitation to Quilters

Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens

2016 *Nature's Prisms* – A Quilt Display

Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens located in Devon, PA is hosting *Nature's Prisms* in the garden through quilting. *Nature's Prisms* welcomes unique artistic interpretations of the full spectrum of the rainbow. The theme of this quilt display is to express the many facets of color found in the garden. Particular emphasis will be quilts expressing prisms, kaleidoscopes, gems, facets, colorwash, and the spectrum of color found in gardens.

The *quilt display* will kick off our 40th Anniversary theme for 2016, *Celebrating Light and Color* in the garden. During 2016 Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens will host several artistic events interpreting this theme through different media.

The local Delaware Valley area is rich in quilting talents. We are looking for the creation of extraordinarily beautiful nature related quilts. The 2016 *Quilt Display* – *Nature's Prisms* will be held from Friday, January 8 to Sunday, February 7, 2016. An opening reception will be held Sunday January 10th from 2 to 5 pm. Light refreshments will be served. The quilts will be displayed in the John J. Willaman Education Center.

Display Title

Nature's Prisms: A Quilt Display

Mission

The mission of Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens is to preserve natural, tranquil woodlands for community enjoyment, to show case native plants and a world class collection of rhododendrons and azaleas, and to promote environmental horticulture through learning, research and conservation.

In the cold, gray wintertime displaying a colorful collection of quilts will remind us of the glory of spring blooms and warmer days to come.

Entry requirements

Each quilt must reflect the display theme of *Nature's Prisms*.

Jury Process

Each work will be presented to an Arboretum Board appointed jury. Works will be judged for aesthetic and artistic merit as well as quality of craftsmanship and adherence to our theme.

Scope of Display

- Jenkins will select up to 40 quilts from the submitted works.

- Quilters will agree to loan their quilts to the Arboretum for *Nature's Prisms – A Quilt Display* for duration of 1 month.
- Quilts must be constructed and quilted by person(s) named on the application form.
- Quilts may be any age and must be in excellent condition.
- Block of the Month and quilt kits are not acceptable.
- Wearable quilts and fabric art are not acceptable.
- Quilts larger than 30 by 30 inches must have a 4 inch hanging sleeve. Quilts smaller than 30 by 30 inches must have a 2 inch hanging sleeve.
- Quilts must have a label identifying the maker stitched or securely attached to the back bottom edge of the quilt.
- Incomplete, damaged, or soiled quilts will not be displayed.
- Quilts may be offered for sale by the quilter. Sales will be subject to a 30% commission. The Arboretum will handle the sales on behalf of the quilters. Buyers will understand that their purchase(s) must remain on display through the end of the display.
- While on display, the Arboretum will insure each quilt.

Entrance Fee

Entrance fee for one quilt is \$20. Each additional quilt entered is \$10. All fees are non-refundable.

Application Process

- Quilters may enter up to 5 quilts for consideration.
- Application form (download from website: www.jenkinsarboretum.org)
- Mail or deliver:
 - Completed and signed application.
 - CD or flash drive with two digital quilt images for each quilt entered, one full view and one detailed. Files must be jpeg and no larger than 4 MB. Filenames must clearly identify the quilt and full or detail view. CDs or flash drives must be labeled with your name and title or quilt(s).
 - Check made out to Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens.

Drop Off

Entrants are responsible to personally deliver and retrieve quilts. Quilts must be delivered Sunday January 3, 2011 between 12 pm and 3 pm or Monday, January 4, 2016 between 10 am and 3 pm to the John J. Willaman Education Center of Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens. A receipt with your quilt number will be given when the entry is dropped off.

Pick Up

Quilts must be picked up with the original numbered receipt between 10 am and 3 pm, Monday, February 8, 2016. If the quilt is not claimed on Monday, it is the sole responsibility of the quilter to contact the Arboretum and make

arrangements for the return of the quilt. NO QUILTS WILL BE RETURNED WITHOUT THE NUMBERED RECEIPT.

Display Schedule

Monday, November 2, 2015	Application due at the Arboretum THIS IS NOT A POSTMARK DATE.
Friday, November 6, 2015	Notification of acceptance mailed to applicants
Sunday, January 3, 2016	Quilts delivered/received at the Arboretum.
Monday, January 4, 2016	Quilts delivered/received at the Arboretum.
Saturday, January 9, 2016 to Sunday, February 7, 2016	Display open to public.
Sunday, January 10, 2016	Opening Quilters' reception, 2 to 5 pm
Monday, February 8, 2016	Quilts picked up by quilters.

Use and Rights

Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens reserves the right to use the images of the quilts for promotional and educational purposes.

Mail or Deliver Applications to

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