

# **Artist's Choice: SAQA ME/NH/VT**

#### **SHOWCASE THEME:**

Your choice: Do you have a favorite among your art quilts? A piece that represents you as an artist?

SAQA ME/NH/VT has the opportunity to present a showcase (non-juried) of art quilts as a "special exhibit" at the 2023 Vermont Quilt Festival.

The overall theme of the showcase is Quilts as Art.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

A sampling of 2D (two dimensional) art quilts created by Northern New England SAQA (Studio Art Quilt Associates) members provides a glimpse into the variety of styles, techniques and approaches being used by the region's quilt artists.

Artists choose which piece to submit for this showcase of work. Displayed pieces must meet the SAQA definition of a "quilt" and meet size requirements.

# **CALENDAR**

October 24, 2022 -- Online Entry opens at 10 AM EST.

December 5, 2022 -- Online Entry closes at 9 PM EST.

December 2022 -- Notification of Artists via email.

February-March 2023 - Detailed Shipping/ Drop-off Instructions sent to Artists.

June 2023 -- Artwork to be RECEIVED by SAQA ME/NH/VT - specific dates and shipping details will be provided to artists when it becomes available. Artwork will be returned after the close of the showcase.

**Exhibition opens** Jun 21, 2023 (as part of Vermont Quilt Festival quilt show)

**Exhibition closes** Jun 24, 2023 (as part of Vermont Quilt Festival quilt show)

## **ENTRY FEE**

\$10 for one entry, payable through the SAQA store at the time of online submission. Only one entry will be accepted per artist.

#### ARTWORK REQUIREMENTS

Size Width: 18" min - 60" max. Height: 18" min - 60" max. Hanging: All entries must be hanging-ready with a 4" hanging sleeve attached.

To enter: Artists will be required to provide an appropriate digital photo of the full work, a digital photo of a detail of the work, an artist statement (650 characters or less), list of materials (200 characters or less) and list of techniques (200 characters or less). SAQA ME/NH/VT reserves the right to edit statements for clarity. For detailed instructions regarding photo preparation see digital submission guidelines below.

### **ELIGIBILITY and GUIDELINES**

- For complete information on eligibility to enter a SAQA Exhibition and SAQA's
  Policies governing all exhibitions, please refer to Exhibition Guidelines and
  Exhibition FAQs on the SAQA website.
- Artwork must meet the SAQA definition of an art quilt: An art quilt is "a creative visual work that is layered and stitched or that references this form of stitched layered structure".
- Artists and any collaborators must be SAQA members and ME/NH/VT residents to enter.
- Artwork must be original and the artist(s) confirms, to the best of their knowledge, the artwork entered does NOT violate any copyright or trademark laws.
- Entry will be online only. Entry fee will be payable online at the SAQA store.
- Date of Artwork: Due to the short time frame, artists are encouraged to submit an existing piece.
- Work must include a label on the back with the artist's name and contact information, as well as the title of the work.
- While the Exhibit Coordinators aim to include all work that illustrates the
  diversity of style and techniques used by SAQA ME/NH/VT artists, SAQA
  reserves the right to refuse to exhibit or remove from the showcase, any work
  that: 1) is of poor quality or which has been misrepresented in the entry

process; or 2) is inappropriate for display as part of the Vermont Quilt Festival; or 3) differs significantly from the digital image.

By submitting work, artists confirm they will adhere to all the above requirements and guidelines.

Information and resources for submitting digital images can be found on SAQA's website at Submitting Photos to SAQA Publications.

## SAQA digital submission guidelines

Images should be in focus, properly exposed, and evenly lit. No part of the quilt should be in shadow. The quilt should be the only item visible in the image, other than a white, black, or gray background. Full-view images of the quilt must show all the quilt edges. Do not crop into borders or binding. Do not remove the background and do not add drop shadows with software. The detail image must show an important aspect of the quilt.

**Naming your images:** The full image should be named: TitleofArtwork-FULL.jpg; the detail image should be named: TitleOfArtwork-DETAIL.jpg. Do not use any special symbols such as an apostrophe in the title.

Both the full-view and detail image should be in the correct orientation. File format must be JPEG (no TIFF or PDF or PSD) with 2100 pixels minimum and 4200 pixels maximum on the longest side.

# **SHIPPING**

Detailed shipping and drop-off instructions will be provided to artists by February-March 2023. Artists are responsible for shipping/delivery costs and insurance to and from the SAQA ME/NH/VT Region's receiving/shipping location.

# **INSURANCE**

SAQA will insure the artworks during the showcase. The artist will be responsible for insuring the work during delivery to and from the defined collection/distribution point. Venues may provide additional insurance while the artwork is on their premises.

# **COMMISSIONS**

Individual artists may choose to sell their work displayed in this Showcase directly through Vermont Quilt Festival. Artwork sold will pay a 30% commission to Vermont Quilt Festival.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

You will be asked to agree with these terms and conditions. "I agree to loan my artwork to Studio Art Quilt Associates, Inc. I understand the costs of insuring and shipping my artwork to the shipping center are my responsibility. I further agree to permit the images or detail images and/or all or part of my artist statement to be used in any exhibition catalog, articles, ads, promotions, books, websites, blogs, CDs, current event news coverage, television productions, and/or multi-media productions for and about the shows at which the exhibit may be seen. I confirm, to the best of my knowledge, the artwork entered does not violate any copyright or trademark laws."

#### AFTER COMPLETING YOUR ENTRY

Please add noreply@formstack.com and me.nh.vt.exhibit@gmail.com to your email approved senders list so you will receive notifications regarding your entry. If you do not receive confirmation of your submission within 24 hours of applying, please contact Karen and Beth at me.nh.vt.exhibit@gmail.com.

EXHIBIT COORDINATORS are Karen Kuranda and Beth Frisbie Wallace. Please contact us with any questions at <a href="mailto:me.nh.vt.exhibit@gmail.com">me.nh.vt.exhibit@gmail.com</a>.