

Coopersville Farm Museum Quilter's Marathon

September 16, 2021

THE CONTEST:

The thirteenth annual Coopersville Farm Museum Quilters Marathon is a unique challenge to quilters that matches teams of up to four individuals against each other to determine who can produce the most complete, most attractive, and creative quilted project, with the best workmanship, in a period of six hours.

The contest consists of (no more than) **six teams** of up to **four people** each working together for **six hours** to make a quilt. Minimum finished size required is **63" x 87" (twin size)**. Those not meeting minimums will not be eligible to receive prizes.

CONTEST WINNERS:

Teams will be given points by judges on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the highest) based on the following criteria:

- a. Degree of difficulty
- b. Most creative or original project
- c. Best Workmanship
- d. Finished Project-percentage of completion

All points will be added together to determine 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place teams. Awards will be given to all participants of winning teams.

NOTES:

Each team must be registered by September 1, 2021.

\$10 fee per person covers the cost of refreshments throughout the day, including a light lunch and must be paid by the 16th along with registration.

Registration must include a list of participants and each of their addresses (if they are not members of the museum)

Each team is required to complete a project, including a 3" sleeve, no later than July 16, 2022, which shall be returned to the Coopersville Farm Museum to be used for display, sale, raffle, prize, or donation at whatever time museum staff finds appropriate. Typically, the first place quilt remains in the museum's permanent collection and the others are used for fundraising purposes.

PLEASE Provide a sleeve on the finished product.

RULES:

The project must be a quilt, at least 63" x 87" completed, any pattern, (you will be judged on creativity). The project may be completely machine stitched or completely hand stitched or a combination of both. A hand quilted project may be judged as being more difficult. An original pattern may be judged as more creative.

The contest starts at 10 a.m. when each team will be given a bag with the "secret" fabric that will be used in the project. Not all fabrics need to be used in the project, but no outside fabric may be added to the stash, and any remaining fabric is to be returned to the Museum when the project is completed. Teams are welcome to bring and add embellishments of their choice, just no additional fabric. Bring your sewing machines, cutting boards, iron, good scissors, thread, and anything else you think you may need.

Judging begins promptly at 4:00 p.m.

A 15 minute mandatory break is provided while judges tally the scores.

Each team will consist of no more than 4 members at any given time during the day (it is allowed for one to be replaced by another during the day). Members leaving must sign out and new members must sign in with museum staff.

The fabric will be kept confidential until the day of the event.

No official or judge may actively participate on a team (unless it has been approved by all participants of opposing teams).

name and phone number of team members:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____