



# Quilting Challenge 2025 Competition

## “Curl Up With a Good Book Quilt”

Two Size Categories

No Age Restriction

Manatee County Residents Only  
Or you must Reside in Manatee County  
for at least three months per year

### Prizes

1st place premium.....\$200.

2nd place premium.....\$100

3rd place premium.....\$50.

### Rules

The entry must be pieced/applied by YOU (not someone else) and can be hand quilted, machine quilted or tied. You may have the project machine quilted by a professional. Your project must have been completed since the last Fair in January 2024.

Your quilting project must be themed around a well loved book....personally or in your family. Your use of color should match the theme of the book. Example-your favorite beach read would not take place in deep green forest and majestic mountains. “Green Eggs and Ham” probably would not be done in red, white and blue. One of the criteria to be considered is the coordination of the colors and fabrics with the book selected. You will be asked to write a short narrative explaining your reason for choosing this book and design. The judges will see this.

There will be two categories. One for a lap size quilted entry (48”x 48”, which is 2,304 square inches) or larger. The second category is for a smaller project such as a table topper, placemat, wall hanging, pillow, crib size quilt, tote bag or an item of clothing. You may enter one item in each category. This is a separate competition from the usual Arts & Crafts Competition and **will not** be judged on the Danish System. There will be a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category. **Judging will be based on skill, appearance, and originality.**

### How to Enter-New!

Rules and Entry Registration Forms are in the Arts and Crafts Department section of [www.ManateeCountyFair.com](http://www.ManateeCountyFair.com). On the home page, click on **Fair Events Info** and then on **Arts and Crafts**. Download, print and fill out the form. If you cannot download and print the form, there will be one available at registration. This year you do **not** need to pre-register.

Bring your quilting entry to the Chaires Building on the Fairgrounds on January 11th or 12th, 2025 between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm. Let the Volunteer at the door know that you are entering the Quilting Challenge. On January 21st, 8pm, premiums will be awarded and photographs will be taken with the sponsors. Pick up your entry on January 27th, between 3pm-7pm.

.There are no age restrictions in this competition. Anyone who quilts may submit an entry. There is no fee to enter this competition. You must be a Manatee County Resident or reside in Manatee County for at least 3 months per year.

If you have any questions, contact the Arts and Crafts Department. [artsandcraftsmcf@gmail.com](mailto:artsandcraftsmcf@gmail.com). The Manatee County Fairgrounds is located at 1402 14th Ave. W., Palmetto. Enter on foot at the corner of 17th St. and 13th Ave. Gate 3

**Sponsored by ..... Mark and Marianne Barnebey**

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Exhibitor Number

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Check in

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Manatee County Fair Quilting Challenge.....Registration Form - 2025

## “Curl Up With a Good Book Quilt”

**Please Print**

Quilter's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Category 1 :** Size of quilting project is 48" x 48" or larger, ( or 2304 square inches). **Division 70**

Description & Reason that you chose this project \_\_\_\_\_

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This item is a .....Check all that apply

Kit or pattern

Exhibitor Quilted

Original Design

Professionally Quilted

**Category 2:** Size of quilting project is less than 48"x48" ( or 2304 square inches). **Division 71**

Description & Reason that you chose this project \_\_\_\_\_

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This item is a .....Check all that apply

Kit or pattern

Exhibitor Quilted

Original Design

Professionally Quilted

I have read and agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the Manatee County Fair.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_