

ELIQG 2010 MEMBER CHALLENGE

BLOCK IN A BLOCK (IN A BLOCK...)

This year's challenge quilt involves combining at least 2 traditional and well-known blocks into a single block. Think putting a star block, or three different blocks into a baby block, or a Seminole strip into a rail fence. The "inside" block may be whole or cut from a whole block. So making a whig rose by cutting up a log cabin into the petals would meet the criteria. If you are feeling creative, you can combine more than 2 blocks, and keep going until you hit the size limit.

Quilts may be pieced or appliquéd or any combination. An appliquéd quilt would need to either have at least one well-known traditional block as one of its components and incorporate that into a appliquéd block, or incorporate an appliquéd block into a pieced block or contain at least one pieced block combo in a nontraditional appliquéd quilt such as landscape.

Please use this opportunity to think outside the box. Obviously any quilt of 4 or 9 blocks would qualify or placing any block into a square within a square, and you would say "I arranged these 9 blocks into a 9 patch" or "my border makes it a square within a square" and we would accept it. But the idea of a challenge is to be challenged and come up with something innovative that makes the show attendees and the judge think – "Wow I would have never thought of that".

The size must be a minimum of 24 x 24 and a maximum of 30 x 30 inches. Anything in between is fine (such as 24 x 27 or 28 x 28). The quilt can have odd angles and does not need to have straight sides, if that will fit your block better.

You must be an ELIQG member to participate.

The quilt may be constructed using any method, and must meet the generally accepted definition of a quilt, i.e., a layer of batting between 2 layers of fabric, with some type of quilting or tying holding the layers together.

The quilt must be registered on the Quilt Show Registration Form, following all rules and deadlines for quilt show entries. **Just be sure to check that it is a challenge quilt, and be sure to list your 2 blocks on the entry form.**

Any questions please contact Colleen Shea, 821-4431 or CEShea@optonline.net.