



## 2022 Common Thread Quilt Fest (CTQF)

*Celebrating Roots: Old Quilts of the North Country*

### Mini-Quilt "Inspired" Art Challenge and Silent Auction Fundraiser

**Fri 9/2 and Sat 9/3, Wanakena, NY**

Part of Common Thread Quilt Fest, a community wide event cosponsored by Common Thread Quilts, the Wanakena Historical Association, and SOS (The Old Schoolhouse), in collaboration with Otto's Abode, the Wanakena Presbyterian Church, and Bird Haven Quilting

#### Attention all creative folk!

Art can be many things, but on a fundamental level it's about pattern and relationship. This is true regardless of how, or what you create. Artists (quilters, painters, wood workers, photographers, sculptors, etc.) are connected by pattern and relationship. This art challenge is an invitation to explore this connection, and help us raise money to establish an Arts Education and Cultural Enrichment Fund for the greater Clifton-Fine Community.

#### How you can help—accept the Challenge!

**Create and donate** an art piece for our silent auction held Labor Day weekend (Fri. 9/2 & Sat. 9/3).

**Challenge Theme:** *"Quilting Past and Present"*

#### To Enter the Challenge:

- **Fill out the Registration Form** and return it (mail or email) by **June 15, 2022**. This lets us know you are making a piece to donate to our auction and allows us to do preliminary planning of display space.
- **Create an art piece** using fabric, and/or other materials (see side bar and figure 2 for some examples), following the **Challenge Constraints** listed below:
  1. **Finished unframed size** is 12 x 12 inches minimum and 20x20 inches maximum.
  2. Starting point for your design must be one of the two early quilt block patterns pictured in Figure 3. This is the "Past" part of the challenge.
  3. Play with the block design, (e.g. color pattern, subdivision or lack of subdivision, additional elements, non-traditional materials) and make it your own. This is the "Present" part of the challenge. You are encouraged to think outside the box and use the given quilt block patterns as a jumping off point for your art piece.
- **Complete the Creator's Statement** (submitted with your completed piece) section of this form. This is the **building community/connections** part of the challenge.

#### Material Idea List

- Fabric
- Glass
- Wood
- Metal
- Bits of Nature
- Paint
- Mixed media collage
- Repurposed items
- Beads
- Other items that inspire your creativity

- **Submit finished piece, along with your Creator’s Statement, by Jul 31, 2022** to CTQF by mail at address listed on the Registration Form, or in person at the Wanakena History Center, 21 Second St., between 11am–4pm on 7/30/22 or 7/31/22.
- **Mini-Quilt art pieces made of fabric** will be framed/mounted (similar to Fig 1 below) by the CTQF planning committee. You do not need to put a hanging sleeve on the back of your piece. Please bind the edge of your piece and submit it as is.
- **For art pieces made of other materials** the framing/mounting is left to the discretion of the artist. Please submit your piece ready for us to hang.
- **Art pieces that do not lend themselves to hanging** will be displayed on a table.
- **Finished art pieces will be displayed** at Otto’s Abode, Wanakena, NY starting August 18 through September 3, 2022.
- **If you have any questions** please contact Annette Swartz, using the contact information listed on the Registration Form.



Figure 1. The framed Mini-Quilt that inspired this art challenge.

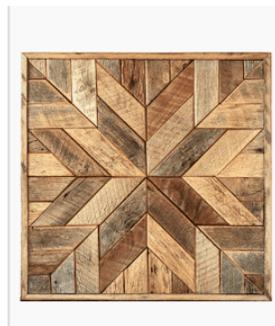


Figure 2. Example of “Four Patch” and “Nine Patch” quilt block patterns made from wood and glass.

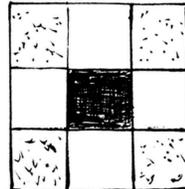
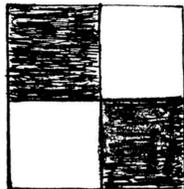


Figure 3. The “Four Patch” and the “Nine Patch” are the oldest quilt block patterns<sup>1</sup>. Choose one of these two traditional blocks as the starting point for your mini-quilt “inspired” art piece.

<sup>1</sup> Quilt Patterns in American History, TEHS Quarterly Archives, Jul 29, 2009.



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## 2022 CTQF Mini-Quilt "Inspired" Art Challenge Registration Form

Fill out the information below, and return this form by **June 15, 2022** to the mail or email address listed above.

**Prompt registration is very important**—it helps us plan framing/mounting for art pieces, and ensures we have adequate display space. If you have any questions, contact Annette at the above email or phone number. We look forward to your participation in this event, and are excited to see what you create!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street/P.O. Box

City

State

Zip

email: \_\_\_\_\_

I am creating \_\_\_\_ (number) art piece(s) for the CTQF Silent Auction.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge this is a fund raiser and my Mini-Quilt "Inspired" art piece is a donation to the CTQF silent auction and will not be returned to me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of person entering the challenge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Art Piece Drop-off - Please Select One:

\_\_\_\_ I will mail my art piece and Creator's Statement to: CTQF, % Annette Swartz, P.O. Box 68, Wanakena, NY 13695

\_\_\_\_ I will deliver my art piece in-person to the Wanakena History Center, 21 Second St., between 11am-4pm on 7/30/22 or 7/31/22.

\_\_\_\_ I cannot make this drop-off time. Please call me to arrange an alternative drop-off option.

### Pre-Order CTQF T-shirt (\$20/shirt):

Shirts are short sleeve, 50:50 cotton/poly with a logo highlighting this year's theme—Celebrating Roots: Old Quilts of the North Country—on the front and a list of sponsors on the back. If you wish to order more than one shirt, indicate the quantity and size for each shirt.

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want to pre-order a CTQF t-shirt(s) (circle size(s) below), and am enclosing a check (made out to **WHA** with **CTQ-Art Fund** in the memo line) for the total cost.

S      M      L      XL      XXL

\_\_\_\_ No, I don't want a CTQF t-shirt

**Proceeds from t-shirt sales go directly to the Arts Education and Cultural Enrichment Fund.** A limited number of t-shirts will be available for purchase during CTQF weekend, but there is no guarantee of quantity or sizes. Pre-order your t-shirt now to be sure you get the size you want. Pre-ordered t-shirts will be available for pick-up when you drop-off your art piece.



**2022 Common Thread Quilt Fest (CTQF)  
Mini-Quilt "Inspired" Art Piece Creator  
Statement**

(To be submitted along with your art piece by July 31, 2022)

CTQF Use Only

Art Piece ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Rec: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Note, we are interested in the **"story"** behind your art piece. Use additional pages, if needed, to fully describe your piece.

Creator: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of art piece: \_\_\_\_\_

Materials used in the piece: \_\_\_\_\_

Which early quilt block pattern was the starting point for your art piece? (Circle one.)

"Four Patch"

"Nine Patch"

Describe the thought process you used to create your art piece:

Besides the early quilt block pattern, what influenced your creative process?

What does your art piece represent/symbolize?

Is there anything else you want to share about your piece?