BOONESLICK TRAIL QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTS OF MANY COLORS QUILT SHOW – 2024 Challenge Quilt

You are going to enjoy the quilt challenge for our show in 2024! The focus fabric is called "Smoke." It is a beautiful ombre fabric from Quilted Treasures' "Gypsy Soul" series. We took the remainder of the bolt from Eric and Amy at Appletree, so we have enough for a several participants. I love this fabric; it will be quite happy to coordinate with any color or colors you want to include. If you know me, you know I'm not fond of a lot of rules in designing a quilt — your heart simply needs a lot of freedom to create. So, the following are the requirements for your design, but my hope is that they will give you ideas and not "contain" you. I will be at our guild meetings with a sign-up sheet and a piece of Gypsy Soul for you.

Quilt Challenge 2024 Rules:

- 1. Your piece must adhere to traditional 3-layer quilt construction, consisting of a backing, a top, and batting, and quilted either with hand or machine quilting.
- 2. The focus fabric provided must be used in the design. And all other fabrics used must be 100% cotton.
- 3. Dimensions should be no more than 24 inches on any side, and no less than 12 inches on any side.
- 4. Participants must use at least one hand stitching technique in the design, i.e., hand piecing, hand quilting (including big stitch quilting), embroidery, applique. (And you are welcome to use Crayola, paint, beads, or other embellishment art in your quilt; however, this will not count toward hand stitching.)

This challenge is designed to include all levels of quilters from beginners to advanced. It is intended to encourage the quilter in you and spark a desire to play with some fabric and thread! Can't wait to see what you do!

Mindy Smith, Coordinator-Quilt Challenge 2024