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Saturday at 3:45 PM

SEWING'S NEXT GENERATION

Sewing's Next Generation is a youth sewing and quilting competition where today's young sewers can show off their projects and share the fun of sewing and quilting with a live audience. Two prizes will be awarded (first place and runner up) in each of three experience groups: Beginner (1-2 years), Intermediate (3-5 years), Advanced (6+ years). Plus, everyone who participates will receive a certificate and swag bag. Each participant and accompanying guests will receive FREE General Admission for their day at the Expo.

If you sew or quilt and are age 18 or under, you are invited to model or show a project. Here's how to sign up, or help a young sewer (or group of young sewers) sign up:

1. **Review the Entry Form and Rules** and decide which project to enter.
2. **Complete and submit the *Participant Entry - Form #1* and *Rules - Form #2*.**
The deadline is one week prior to the Expo, and we can only accommodate 25 entrants.

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Please drop off your project at the Registration Desk between 8:00 AM and 11:30 AM on Saturday for judging, and staff will help you get started on your day at the Expo. The participant does not need to be present at the time of project drop-off. If a project is dropped off after judging at 11:30, the participant can still be a part of the show, but they will not be judged or eligible for the first place or runner up award.

All garments, quilts and other projects should arrive on hangers. Projects that do not hang easily should be placed in a bag with handles. Because judging is anonymous, please refrain from labeling your project with your name.

All participants should meet at the Expo Stage at 3:15 PM to prepare for the 3:45 PM show. If you are modeling a garment, you will be directed to the dressing area near the stage (or restroom) so you may change prior to the show.

The Exhibit Hall opens at 10:00 AM for shopping, presentations, make-it take-it projects and more. Food and beverage service is available at the Expo. Visit sewingexpo.com for complete details, or pick up an Expo Guide when you arrive.

Questions? sewingexpo.com | info@sewingexpo.com | 800-699-6309

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Participant Entry — Form #1

Complete and sign both forms, and submit **along with your project commentary**. Projects must be dropped off by 11:30 AM Saturday for judging.

Expo City of Participation: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Parent or Chaperone Name: _____

Years of Sewing Experience: Beginner (1-2) Intermediate (3-5) Advanced (6+)

Describe your project for identification purposes: _____

Project Commentary:

Please attach an additional sheet with details about your project.

This will be read as your commentary while you are on stage. Please type the commentary using size 12 or 14 font. Be sure to write about what your project is and what colors, fabrics, techniques, etc. were used. You can tell us why you chose this project, share a story about working on it and tell us one or two other things you like to do outside of sewing. You can use the questions below as a guide when writing your commentary:

- How long have you been sewing?
- What fabric or sewing store do you regularly buy your materials from?
- How did you decide to do this particular project?
- What was the most fun part of this project?
- What was the most challenging part?
- Was there a part that you thought would be hard that turned out to be easy?
- What part are you most proud of?
- Would you do this project again? If so, how might you change it?
- Who is teaching you to sew?
- What do you like to do outside of sewing?

I made this project within the past 12 months. While I may have had advice from others, all the actual work is my own. (Quilts may be quilted by someone other than participant.)

Signature of Participant

Date

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Rules — Form #2

Complete and sign both forms, and submit **along with your project commentary**. Projects must be dropped off by 11:30 AM Saturday for judging.

1. Participants must be age 18 or younger and may submit and model/show one project.
2. Participants will be separated into three categories by experience: Beginner (1-2yrs), Intermediate (3-5 years) and Advanced (6+ years). Two prizes will be awarded (first place and runner up) in each experience division. All participants will receive a certificate and swag bag from Original Sewing & Quilt Expo.
3. If four or more quilts are entered, a separate quilt-only category will be created for judging and awarding of two prizes.
4. Projects will be evaluated based on mastery of sewing or quilting skills, as well as creativity.
5. By participating in the contest, all entrants agree that Original Sewing & Quilt Expo may take photographs of the entrants, on the stage or posed, individually or in groups with other entrants, and may use those photographs in advertising and promotional materials in any media, including on their website and social media platforms, without further obligation or liability of any kind to any entrant. By participating, entrants agree and understand that they shall have no right to approve any such uses and no claims against Original Sewing & Quilt Expo and Hoffman Media LLC arising out of any such uses, whether arising out of copyright, trademark rights, rights of publicity or privacy, moral rights or any other rights.
6. By entering, you agree to release Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, Hoffman Media LLC and their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, parent companies, affiliates and subsidiaries from liability of any kind or nature for any loss, claims, damages, or injuries of any kind associated with participation in the contest or acceptance, possession, participation in or use of any prizes.
7. By entering, all entrants accept and agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, relating to participation in contest, selection of winners and awarding of prizes, whose decisions are final.

I agree to the rules and procedures as listed above.

Participant's Name: _____

Participant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if applicant under 18): _____

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