



# 2021 CQA/ACC YOUTH CHALLENGE: BFF (BEST FRIENDS FOREVER)

## GUIDELINES

The 2021 challenge for youth is to complete a quilt based on the theme *BFF (Best Friends Forever)* using any style of quilting – art, traditional and/or modern. The quilt must include all or part of a fat quarter of challenge fabric on the face of the quilt, which you can obtain by emailing Jane Cramer at [jane.cramer@canadianquilteradministration.com](mailto:jane.cramer@canadianquilteradministration.com). The quilt may be any size, up to a 200-inch perimeter, but a smaller size may be easier to tackle. It must be made of three layers and be quilted, either by hand and/or machine. It must be either bound or closed along the edges with either hand- and/or machine-stitching. Most of the quilt must be the work of the young quilter. The quilter may use any combination of hand- and/or machine-piecing, appliqué and quilting. The use of embellishments such as beads, embroidery, fibers, ribbon, paint, crayon, etc., is the choice of the young quilter. This is an opportunity to experiment and try new things! The entry must be free of any text or images that are protected by copyright unless you have written permission from the holder of the copyright. For any patterns or designs that are not your own, please give credit to the source.

The challenge is open to all youth in Canada up to 19 years of age. Entries must be sponsored by a CQA/ACC individual, professional or shop member in good standing. Members may sponsor more than one entry. By entering, you are giving the CQA/ACC permission to display your quilt on its website, blog, social media and in *Canadian Quilter*.

## ENTRY TIMEFRAME

There will be an online display and voting for *Viewers' Choice* in three age categories. To enter, fill out the online entry application on the CQA/ACC website, complete with a photo of your quilt. The completed form **MUST** be submitted online between February 15 and May 30, 2021. The photo will be uploaded to the CQA/ACC website and be available for viewers to vote for *Viewers' Choice*. Dates for online voting to be determined and will be advertised. Please remember that voting of the online *Viewers' Choice* is based on the photo alone. The photo should be taken in good lighting, without background distractions, and at a close distance with no people in the photo. It needs to be 1 to 3 MB in size so when people look at it on our website your quilt will show clearly. All edges of your quilt must be visible in the photo.

## PRIZES

The online *Viewers' Choice* will be awarded to a quilt in each of the following age categories: 5-9 years, 10-14 years, and 15-19 years. If the winners choose to submit a photo of themselves with their quilt by June 30, 2021, it will be published in the Autumn issue of *Canadian Quilter*. All winners will receive a free copy of that issue, a ribbon, a certificate and a prize of fabric from the sponsor. ✨

Members are encouraged to find young quilters! The sponsors of the entries who win the *Viewers' Choice* awards will receive a free one-year renewal of their CQA/ACC membership.

