

## **MASTER QUILTER – Procedures for 2024 Master Quilter**

*Section 1. Master Quilter. This award honors a member who has made contributions in support of the goals of the Guild and whose skills and workmanship the membership admires/respects.*

### **Nomination**

For 2024, nominations will open at the meeting on 8/10/24 and will close at the end of the 9/13/24 meeting. Any member of the Guild can nominate another member who they feel meets the qualifications of a Master Quilter. The nominee must agree to accept the responsibilities of the Master Quilter.

The nomination is made by writing a letter about the candidate, listing the qualities of their quilting, what skills they may have and their service to the Guild. Two typed pages is the maximum. The “Suggestions for Master Quilter Nomination Letter” is on the website.

### **Qualifications**

The criteria for a Master Quilter are listed below:

#### **WORKMANSHIP:**

- General appearance: quilts are attractive.
- Quilts lie flat; edges are straight; precise piecing.
- Edges are straight.
- Mitered corners are squared.
- Shows a good sense of color.

#### **KNOWLEDGE:**

- Excellent sewing skills; knowledge of quilting terms.
- Can look at a pattern and understand how it is made.
- Can read and decipher complex patterns.

#### **CREATIVITY:**

- Has a sense of adventure and design; is innovative.
- Knows many styles of quilting, including embellishments.
- Has knowledge of different techniques.
- Quilts do not all look alike: color, style, size etc.

#### **ORIGINALITY:**

- Should be able to produce original work.

#### **SERVICES:**

- Volunteers within the guild, i.e., guild committees.
- Has chaired guild committees.
- Volunteers to help others learn.
- Share their skills with others by teaching.

## Time Schedule for Master Quilter Voting

### August Program Meeting

- The Master Quilter Voting Procedures are reviewed.
- Nominations are opened.

### September Program Meeting

- Nominations are closed.

### October Program Meeting

- The Master Quilter nominations will be announced.
- Nomination letters will be read to the membership. Nomination letters will also be submitted for the November newsletter and sent by email to the membership.
- Master Quilter nominees will be asked to bring 2-3 quilts to show the membership.

### November Program Meeting

- The Master Quilter Vote will occur, and votes counted, but not revealed at this time.
- The Master Quilter will be revealed at the annual Holiday Party.
- Members who will not be present at the first MMQ Meeting in November (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month) must mail their Master Quilter Votes to MMQ P.O. Box 3254 before the meeting date in November following the Master Quilter Secret Ballot Voting Procedures.

## Master Quilter Secret Ballot Voting Procedures

### MEMBER PRESENT AT THE MEETING:

Members present at the voting meeting will be given a ballot. The members will sign a roster that they have voted for and will put the ballot in a box.

### MEMBER **NOT PRESENT** AT THE MEETING:

The member who will not be present at the voting meeting may put their vote on a piece of paper and insert it in a plain sealed envelope. That envelope is put in another mailing envelope with the members' name on the outside in some manner (i.e., return address) and mailed to MMQ P.O. Box 3254, Sunriver OR 97707. It must be mailed one week prior to the actual guild voting date to be received and counted in time.