

Quilling Guild Online Competition Rules and Guidelines for 'Bird and Flowers Outline', Summer 2025

****Please ensure that you check the rules and guidelines for each competition very carefully, before entering.** If you don't follow the rules for the competition, your entry may be disqualified. Please ask if unsure.**

Can anyone enter? - The competition is open to all members of the Quilling Guild, both Full and Online, who have, or can access, an email address. **NB:** You can join The Quilling Guild at <http://quilling-guild.weebly.com/membership.html>

What are the guidelines for this competition? - Something different this competition! We have provided an image of a happy bird sitting amongst flowers and leaves.

Please stay within the outline of the bird. However, you are free to quill any foliage and six flowers for the bird to sit in. Those shown are just to give you an idea of how it might look.

You may use any quilling techniques and any colours. The background mount for your work should be *no larger than 20cm x 20cm* but feel free to print out the bird any size you prefer within that.

Do read '*What will the judges look for*' (below) because this will help you do well.

How long do I have to complete this challenge? - Entries must have been received by us on, or before, 1st August, 2025.

How do I enter? - When you have completed your work, send us photographs of it, which must include: one photo showing the *whole quilling*, some taken from *different angles* to show all aspects of it, and one which must show *you, the quiller, holding your work*.

Phone or camera images must be set to large image, maximum detail, and saved as JPG files. The photos must be of good enough quality that the judges can closely observe your work - you may be asked to supply new images if necessary.

When you email your entry, please list in the email your name and the title of the competition. Your name and your personal photo will not be seen by the judges. Attach the images and your quilling notes, if you have them, to the email.

Do I need to send anything else? - If you wish to, you may send your **Quilling Notes** (without your name) of no more than 100 words, describing your piece, your inspiration, how you made it, etc. This should be in Word, or a text file (e.g. .RTF), or as an image or a PDF file.

Where should I send my images? - Please email your files to: qgonlinecomp@yahoo.com, which is also where you can ask any questions.

How will I know if I've been successful? - We have a rigorous judging system, involving mainly Fellows of the Quilling Guild. The results will be announced on social media by mid-August, 2025.

NB: In order to preserve your anonymity, you should not post any images of your work on any social media until after results are announced. After judging, we may post selected images in Quilling Guild publications such as Quillers Today and on social media. **If you do not wish an image of yourself to be posted in the Guild's publications or on social media, please inform us when sending your work.**

What will the judges look for?

Materials - Your quilling must be made entirely of strips of paper or card, and glue. Don't add items not made of these as your entry may not be allowed. Any mount should be as described above.

Imagination/Design/Colour - A clever and inspired use of the outline will gain points; how you manage to depict your eye-catching ideas.

Expertise - Quilling techniques, as seen on the **Quilling Guild's Terminology Sheet** (which is at <http://quilling-guild.weebly.com/quilling-techniques-and-terminology.html>), as well as your own techniques, carefully chosen to be appropriate for your design. We do recommend watching the Guild's YouTube video tutorials, where you will see how best to impress the judges with perfect shapes.

Accuracy - Careful, clean work is a must. Glue marks can spoil your careful quilling.

We very much look forward to seeing your work. Good luck!