

Quilling Guild Online Competition Rules and Guidelines for our 'Quill a Home' Competition, 2026/27

****Please ensure that you check the competition rules and guidelines 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 is the title of this competition? - The title of this competition is 'Quill a Home'.

The home you quill should be anything which is built, anywhere in the world, for a person to live in. It may be your own home or someone else's, but NOT the home of a fantasy creature or animal. Your quilling should feature the **exterior** of the home, which can, if you wish, be depicted within its surroundings. It could be any type of home, from a mud hut to an igloo, or from a grand historical house in its formal gardens to a mobile home parked in a holiday setting. Use all your skills and well-chosen quilling techniques to make your quilling stand out for the judges.

Your quilling could be on a plain card mount (with no glass covering it) but could also be a 3D model of the home and its surroundings. It can be of any size. Large or small, realistic or stylised, it just needs to impress the judges to be successful.

For this competition, you should only use quilling techniques marked with an asterisk * on the **Quilling Guild Terminology and Techniques Sheet** at <http://quilling-guild.weebly.com/quilling-techniques-and-terminology.html>. These are traditional quilling techniques, which can often be seen on antique quillings. To help you to follow the rules, it's important to read what the judges are looking for, below.

How long do I have to complete my entry? - Entries must have been received by us on, or before, **31st January, 2027**. Please email your files to: qgonlinecomp@yahoo.com. Use this address to ask any questions if you need to check that you are following the guidelines.

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

Notes - It will interest the judges if you describe why you chose this home to quill and how you decided to make it, any difficulties you had, anything to explain your entry. If you don't speak English, write in your own language. This may be part of the email or attached with the images.

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 in February, 2027.

NB: So that the judges don't know who you are when they see your quilling, you should not post 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?

Fitting the Brief – Your beautiful quilling needs to **follow the rules exactly** – otherwise you risk losing points!

Originality - The piece must be entirely your own work, made from your own design. **NB:** The Quilling Guild reserves the right to disqualify and remove awards at any time, if your work proves not to be original.

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 will not be allowed. Any mount should be made as described above.

Appropriate Techniques - Check the details of the challenge very carefully and only choose techniques and/or their variations that are marked with an asterisk * on the Terminology Sheet (above).

Imagination/Design/Colour - A clever and inspired piece will gain points - how you manage to depict your interesting idea and achieve a pleasing effect.

Expertise - Only quilling techniques and their variations, as seen on the **Quilling Guild's Terminology Sheet**, which are marked with an asterisk *, carefully chosen to be appropriate for your design. We strongly 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!