

Quilling Guild Online Competition Rules and Guidelines for our 'Something you find in your home' Competition, Autumn 2023

****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 is the title of this competition? - The challenge for this competition is '**Something you find in your home**'. Find something at home and quill it – or someone using it. What do you enjoy (or hate) using in your home? You can look at it closely to copy it realistically or picture you while you use it. Your pet might be using it. Find something interesting to quill. Your quilling may be of any size, *no larger than 30cm long x 30cm wide x 30cm high (12" x 12" x 12")*, so it might be 2D or 3D. Any mount should be plain white card or board, or of a single colour, and must not exceed the dimensions above.

For this challenge, you may use any quilling technique, (the **Quilling Guild Terminology and Techniques Sheet** is at <http://quilling-guild.weebly.com/quilling-techniques-and-terminology.html>). You could include a technique of your own invention, which you can describe in your notes. It's important to read what the judges are looking for, below.

How long do I have to complete this challenge? - Entries must have been received by us on, or before, 1st December, 2023.

How do I enter? - When you have completed your work, send us photographs of it, which must include:- one photo showing the *whole quilling*, at least one taken from a *different angle*, 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 which can be read in Word (e.g. .RTF or .ODT), or as an image or PDF. For this challenge, the artist's statement is optional.

Where should I send my images? - Please email your files to: ggonlinecomp@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-December, 2023.

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?

Originality - The piece must be entirely your own work, made from your own design. You will find a copy of the *Copyright Guidelines for Crafters and Hobbyists* (as produced by Ginger Davies Allman of www.TheBlueBottleTree.com) on the Quilling Guild website. **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 may not be allowed. The mount should be made as described above.

Appropriate Techniques - Check the details of the challenge very carefully and only choose techniques that we require for the challenge, ones that best suit your design and show off your quilling skills.

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 - Quilling techniques and their variations, as seen on the **Quilling Guild's Terminology Sheet** (above), as well as your own techniques, if allowed in the challenge, carefully chosen to be appropriate for your design. We recommend watching the Guild's YouTube video tutorials, where you will see how best to impress the judges.

Accuracy - Careful, clean work is a must. (Any glue marks can shine when you photograph with a flash.)

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