

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show
Best of Show



Best of Show – Tropic Star Raffle Quilt
By Marge Lawrence

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show
Winners - Opportunity Quilt, Wall Hanging, Bag



Opportunity Quilt
Jailene Galvan



Wall Hanging
Laurie Magee



Bag
Marilyn Bullington

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show

Winners – Small Wall Hangings

SMALL WALL HANGINGS: This category includes ANY small entry that is pieced, embroidered, appliqued, whole cloth, hand and/or machine quilted specifically made to be hung on a wall.



First – Boho Blooms, Block #2
By Debbie Williams



Second – Pumpkin
By Leslie Lorenzo



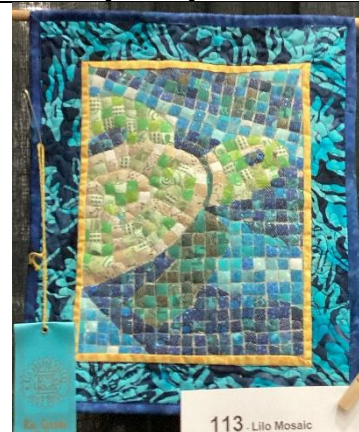
Third – Mini Fans
By Vicki Guerra



Third – Batik Banner
By Terry Davis



Honorable Mention – Quilt Diva
By Diane Parry



Honorable Mention – Lilo Mosaic
By Jani Shoemaker

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Winners – Large Wall Hangings

LARGE WALL HANGINGS: This category includes ANY large entry that is pieced, embroidered, appliqued, whole cloth, hand and/or machine quilted specifically made to be hung on a wall.



First – Hen Party
By Terry Davis



Second – Blue Heron Wonder
By Marge Lawrence



Third – It's a Great Big "YES"
By Cathy Beverage



Honorable Mention – 100 Years and Counting
By Carrol Moering

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Winners – Art Quilts

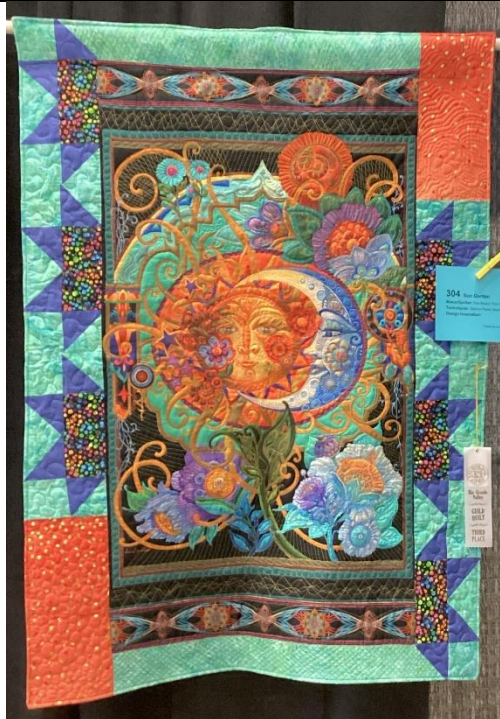
ART QUILTS: These must be an original design by the quilt maker. These may utilize multiple techniques, include embellishments, thread painting, beading, painting on fabric, photography on fabric, etc.



First – Christmas Block of the Month
By Debbie Baker



Second – Duck, Duck, Goosed
By Vicki Guerra



Third – Sun Garden
By Fran Wessel



Honorable Mention – Colorful Stars
By Kathleen Dombi

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show

Winners – Medium Bed Quilts

MEDIUM BED QUILTS: The perimeter is greater than 250 inches and less than or equal to 325 inches.



First – Stained glass flower garden
By Florence Hoog



Second – Patriotic Rose
By Debbie Baker



Third – Texas Hill Country Memories
By Paula Smith



Honorable Mention – Sunny Garden
By Reta Compton

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SMALL BED QUILTS: The perimeter is less than 250 inches.



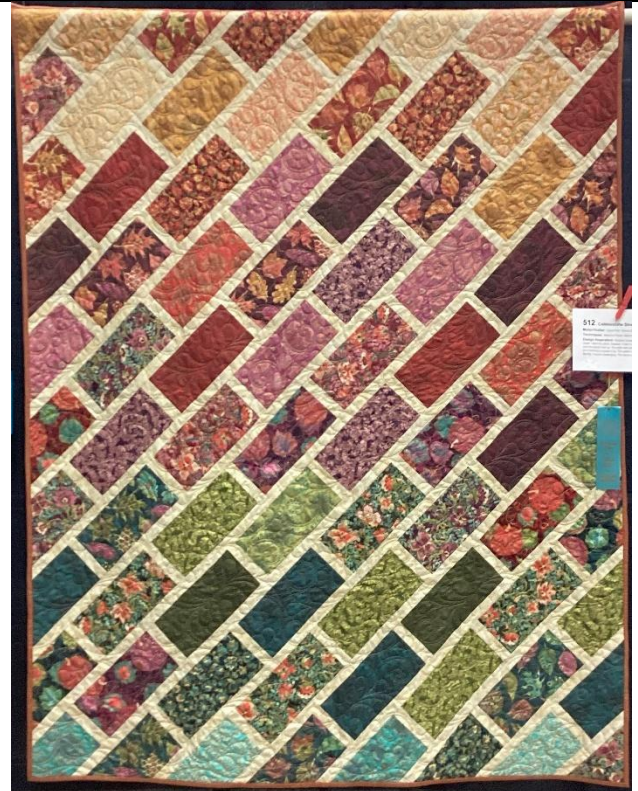
First – Alaska Rainbow
By Debbie Williams



Second – Autumn Jewels
By Darlene Talbott



Third – Roses & Butterflies
By Cindy Hernandez



Honorable Mention – Cobblestone Street
By Sylvia Pahl

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Winners – Modern Quilts

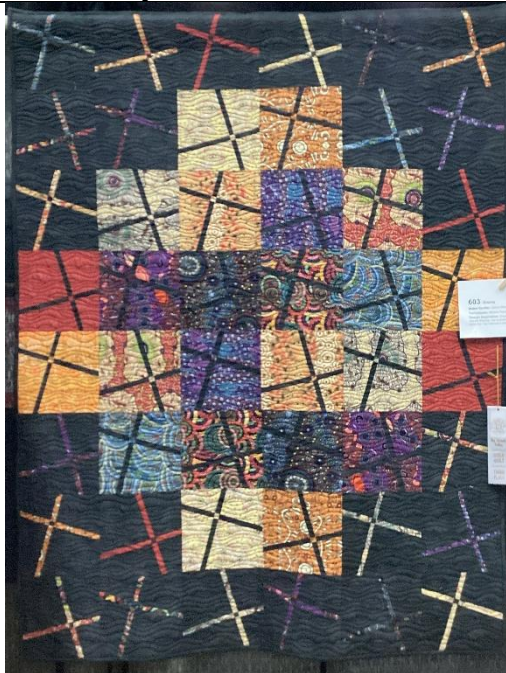
MODERN QUILTS: These quilts generally have the following characteristics: Simplified, abstract design; Use of solid fabrics, bold colors, large prints; Negative space is very important in the overall composition; Improvisational piecing may be employed.; Upcycled/recycled fabrics are often used; Quilting is restrained, often linear.



First – Moon Dance
By Debbie Williams



Second – Crimson Christmas
By Debbie Williams



Third – Emma
By Debbie Williams



Honorable Mention – Stacks
By Vicki Guerra

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show

Winners – Large Bed Quilts

LARGE BED QUILTS: The perimeter is greater than 325 inches and less than or equal to 480 inches.



First – The Celtic Quilt
By Susan Halvorsen



Second – Prismatic Star Queen
By Mike Hall



Third – Dragonflies
By Debbie Baker



Honorable Mention - Third Weekend in October
By Marge Lawrence

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Hand Work Quilts

HAND WORK: HAND quilted, embroidered, applique, etc. Over 50% must be hand work.



First – Say It with Flowers
By Audry Stewart



Second – Homegrown
By Vicki Guerra



Third – Mas Molas - Little Sister
By Sylvia Pahl



Third – Chirp
By Annie Miers



Honorable Mention - 30's Flowers
By Debbie Baker

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Winners – Machine Work Quilts

MACHINE WORK: Artistry of machine quilting, machine embroidery, or machine applique. Over 50% must be machine work.



First – Birds in Flight
By Sandra Burgess



Second – Chickpea
By Melissa Arjona



Third – Autumn Skies and Pumpkin Pies
By Vera McEvoy



Honorable Mention - Christmas Countdown
By Jani Shoemaker

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Wearable

WEARABLE: Clothing, jackets, christening gowns, skirts, vests, and accessories such as purses, bags, totes, shoes, slippers and hats.



First – A Place for Everything
By Marge Lawrence



Second – Big Katahdin Tote
By Debbie Williams



Third – A Trip Down Memory Lane
By Mackenzie Lopez



Honorable Mention – Dragon Jacket
By Renee Darkis

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Winners – Home Decor

HOME DECOR: Placemats, table runners, potholders, dolls, fabric bowls, and children's toys such as play mats and bumper pads.



First – Iris
By Nancy Plantz



Second – Atomic Starburst
By Vicki Guerra



Third – Potted Plant
By Thelma Woods



Honorable Mention – Sweet as Pie
By Mary Finnegan

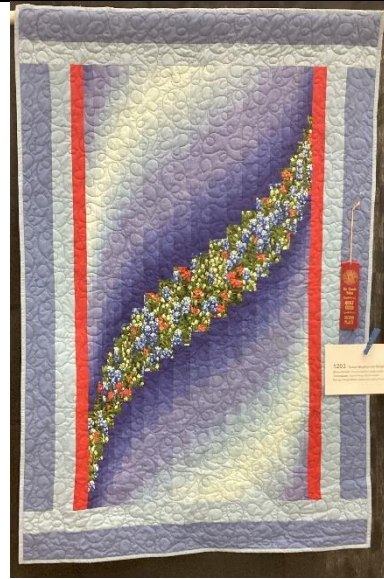
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Winners – Novice

NOVICE: The first time an entrant has had a quilt in ANY show. Any quilting form is acceptable but must have 3 layers and be quilted, not tied.



First – Peacock OBW
By Roxanne Renicker



Second – Texas Bluebonnet Bargello
By Roxanne Renicker



Third – Flowers in Spring
By Terri Drefke



Honorable Mention - Mi Primera Colcha
By Mera Trevino



Honorable Mention – Toni's First
By Toni Medellin

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Winners – Youth

YOUTH: A youth quilter must be 18 years of age or younger and hadn't yet graduated from high school when the item was made. Their entry may match any of the above categories. A youth quilter may make a Challenge or Chair's Choice quilt, but it must be entered in that category.



First – Diamonds are Forever
By Mackenzie Lopez



Second – Stars
By Carolina Salas



Third – Hailey's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Hailey McMillen



Honorable Mention - Emma's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Emma Vela

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show
Winners – Youth

YOUTH: continued



Haley's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Haley De la Rosa



Alessandra's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Alessandra Hinojosa



Gianni's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Gianni Pena



Ananiah's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Ananiah Thompson

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Youth

YOUTH: continued



1307 Ysabel's Fuzzy Star
Maker/Quilter: Ysabel Montoya
Techniques: Machine-Pieced, Machine-Quilted

Ysabel's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Ysabel Montoya



1308 Samantha's Fuzzy Star
Maker/Quilter: Samantha Ruiz / Samantha Ruiz
Techniques: Machine-Pieced, Machine-Quilted

Samantha's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Samantha Ruiz



1309 Logan's Fuzzy Star
Maker/Quilter: Logan Kotzur
Techniques: Machine-Pieced, Machine-Quilted
Design Inspiration: I'm a homebased quilt maker for showing, selling and quilting. I've been quilting since I was 10 and over the years, I've been part in a lot of projects, including honor and rator design.

Logan's Fuzzy Star Pillow
By Logan Kotzur

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Upcycle/Recycle

RECYCLED/UPCYCLED: Fabrics that started as something else like clothing, sheets, curtains, thrift store finds.



First – Traveling with Mom
By Irene King



Second – Selvages are a Hoot
By Terry Davis



Third - Feed Sack Dresden
By Vicki Guerra



Honorable Mention - Fire Bird
By Amy Hall

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Group

GROUP QUILTS: Quilt of any size where the quilt top was made by more than one person.



First – Our Kind of Town
By Casa Angelina Project



Second – Disappearing 9 Patch
By Bzzy Bees



Third – Party Line
By Fiber Arts



Honorable Mention - On This Day
By Patty Hoerr

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Winners – Theme Challenge

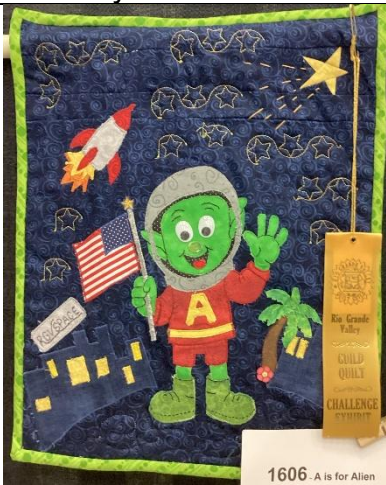
THEME CHALLENGE: “My Favorite Martian” [See 2026 Challenge Quilt Rules](#)



First – Miss Mars
By Bonnie Hall



Second – Miss Mars
By Vicki Guerra



Third – A is for Alien
By Anita Pineda



Third – What the Heck is That?!?
By Angie Herbertson



Honorable Mention - My Favorite Martian
By Kathleen Stevens



Honorable Mention - Marty the Martian
By Laural Powell

2026 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Quilt Challenge

QUILT CHALLENGE: “*Children’s Star Quilts*” – [See 2026 Quilt Challenge Rules](#)

These quilts will be donated to various children’s organizations in the valley.

