Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow: The American Civil War 2011 Quilt Show Information

Quilts are an integral part of the picture of the tumultuous period of American history known as the Civil War because they tell the story of the other half who lived through it: the women of the North and the South.

Athens, Tennessee's Living Heritage Museum is excited to announce the theme for its annual quilt competition. In honor of the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War, the theme for the 2011 show is "Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow."

All interpretations of the theme are welcomed for both the traditional and art category. However, only quilts that are faithful in fabrics to the time period (pre-1870 reproduction fabrics) will be allowed to enter this unique quilt show.

The traditional category will be judged according to the use of time honored techniques and designs. The art quilt category is open to those who like to expand upon traditional quilting and the use of multiple techniques and mediums is encouraged. Cash prizes will be awarded in both categories.

Eligibility:

This exhibition is a national opportunity open to all quilt makers within the United States. All quilts must be original works executed by the artist.

This is a juried exhibition focusing on traditional and art quilts.

Quilts must have three (3) layers (top, batting, and backing).

No commercial patterns or copies of previous works should be used.

Quilts may be constructed by individuals, teams or groups. All persons involved in making the entry must be listed on the entry form.

Complete rules and application forms will be available online starting January 3, 2011.