ROUND ROBINS BRENDA RATLIFF



HOW TO HOST A GUILD ROUND ROBIN

The easiest way to organize Round Robin quilts for your guild is to first appoint a "Round Robin Chair". This Chair will be the point of contact for everyone who is participating in the Round Robin!

DUTIES OF THE ROUND ROBIN CHAIR:

- keep track of who is participating in the Round Robin
- make sure everyone is bringing the quilts back to swap at each meeting
- take note of participants who need to take a break or are removing their quilt top to be finished
- tells participants each month who get to work on who's quilt
- it's important to make sure participants don't get the same quilt twice in a row
- make sure everyone gets a chance to work on everyone's quilt!

FOR PARTICIPANTS TO ENTER THE ROUND ROBIN:

- Create a message for your fellow guild mates! Include a little bit about yourself and any ideas you have for your quilt. You can include favorite and least favorite colors, fabric designers you love, a quilting technique that you love and any other guidelines or information (ex. Who or what the quilt will be used for).
- Include a starter block or a few fabrics for inspiration if you would like.
- It's helpful to include a bag or envelope for participants to carry the quilt in progress.
- Include a notebook or piece of paper for everyone who works on your quilt to sign or even write a message about their contribution.

AT EACH MEETING:

Each participant can show off the Round Robin quilt that they worked on the past month. It's so much fun for everyone in the guild to see these quilts grow! And this is a great opportunity to talk about any quilting lessons learned or a new technique that some one tried and liked.

Quilts are then traded (based on the notes from the Round Robin Chair) and other guild mate takes them home for the next month.

Other fun ideas!

- a round robin charity quilt: each month a new person adds a little to a quilt for charity. Make sure to check to see if your charity asks for a specific size. These are also great to auction off around the holidays for charity donations!
- Do a Round Robin sew in day! Sherri Lynn Wood talks about improvisational Round Robin in her book <u>The Improv Handbook for Modern</u> <u>Quilters</u>. It's a great resource and a fun way to spend the afternoon.



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