

# International Quilt Association

*Piecing The World Together Since 1979*

## A World of Beauty

The International Quilt Association is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the art of quilting as an art form, and the advancement of the state of the art throughout the world. The four founders—Jewel Patterson (1910-2002), Karey Patterson Bresenhan, Helen O'Bryant (1914-2005), and Nancy O'Bryant Puentes—established this organization in 1979 to provide dedicated quilt lovers the opportunity to work productively toward increasing the prestige, artistry, creativity, professionalism, and recognition of quilts.

IQA supports many projects and activities, including a grant program and an annual Judged Show of members' work. "Quilts: A

World of Beauty" is held in conjunction with International Quilt Festival in Houston every fall. The 2015 show will award \$94,250 in non-purchase cash prizes generously donated by our corporate sponsors. The Best of Show, Founders, and Master Award winners also receive a trip to and accommodations for the fall Festival.

IQA is the only non-profit quilt association with members from all over the globe. Membership is open to anyone who loves quilts. Its annual meeting, the Lone Star Quilt Conference, is held each fall in conjunction with International Quilt Festival. IQA is based in Houston, Texas, USA.

## Purposes & Goals

To work productively toward increasing the prestige, artistry, creativity, professionalism, and recognition of quilts.

To foster the appreciation of quilts and quilting as an art form throughout the world and to provide necessary recognition to quilters as textile artists and to quilts as representing the mastery of textile art.

To unite quilters, quilt collectors, quilting teachers, retailers, and

suppliers from around the world in the common goal of advancing the art and love of quilting.

To set and maintain the highest standards for the art of quilting, thereby encouraging further achievement within the field.

To offer, through a grant program, continuing education and support for the developing needs of quilters.

## Membership Benefits

Members may enter up to two items in the prestigious annual judged show, "Quilts: A World of Beauty."

Members may apply for quilt-related research and artistic development funding under the IQA Grant Program.

Members receive IQA's online quarterly journal, *Quilts...A World of Beauty*, featuring informative articles, interviews, book reviews, organizational news, a Teacher's Directory, Judged Show winner profiles, and scores of stunning, full-color photos of quilts from all over the world.

Members receive advance information about the spring and fall editions of International Quilt Festival.

Members may qualify for a special angel pin and priority registration for Festival's classes, lectures, and special events, by completing required hours of IQA volunteer service.

Members receive special privileges at both editions of International Quilt Festival (Houston and Chicago) unavailable to non-members. This includes one free day's admission (to both Festivals), and early Preview Night entrance, and a private photo opportunity (Houston Festival only).

## Grant Program Proposals

IQA's Grant Program is a unique opportunity to gain funding for your project that furthers the Association's mission. IQA established the program to foster and encourage quilt-related projects that have "lasting significant effects on the traditions, history, and respect for, knowledge about, and artistry in, quilts and quiltmaking." Project

categories include original research, assistance to museums or other public quilt collections, community projects to spread information about quilts and quilting, and committed periods of individual artistic development as a quiltmaker. Submit your request for consideration to the IQA office at the address below.

## Membership Information

Annual dues are \$25 for one year and \$75 for three years. Dues are tax deductible.

Three additional options are available, which involve a larger tax-deductible donation to IQA. The Donor level signifies a donation of \$100 - \$249, the Benefactor level signifies a donation of \$250 - 499, and the Patron level signifies a donation of \$500 or more. These three types of contributors receive a 1-year membership and recognition in the *IQA Journal*. Contributions received will help further IQA's goals of encouraging achievement and education through programs, which include, but are not limited to, grants and judged shows of members' work.

If you have any questions, please contact the IQA office at:  
713-781-6882 • fax 713-781-8182  
e-mail: [iqa@quilts.com](mailto:iqa@quilts.com) • website: [www.quilts.org](http://www.quilts.org)

To join IQA, fill out the information on the back of this page and return it with payment to:  
International Quilt Association  
7660 Woodway Drive, Suite 550  
Houston, TX 77063, USA

You can also join or renew your membership online at [www.quilts.com](http://www.quilts.com)



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Yes! I want to join IQA as a *new* member  
 I am *renewing* my membership # \_\_\_\_\_  
 If your address has changed, please check this box:   
 For how many years would you like to join?  1  3  
 I am joining for 1 year as a  Donor  Benefactor  Patron

<i>Annual membership dues</i>	<i>1 year</i>	<i>3 years</i>
	\$25	\$75
<b>Donor</b>	\$100-\$249	
<b>Benefactor</b>	\$250-\$499	
<b>Patron</b>	\$500 and above	

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Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**How are you paying?**

- 1** Credit Card:    Visa     MasterCard     American Express     Discover   
 Please charge my credit card \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for my membership dues  
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- 2** Check in U.S. dollars drawn on a U.S. bank \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3** Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

**Regarding membership cards for any show:**

To receive your card before a show, forms must be RECEIVED 5 weeks prior to the start date of the show. After that date, forms will not be processed again until after the show. (you can check the date at Quilt Festival's website at [www.quilts.com](http://www.quilts.com).) You may also join/renew at the show. For lost membership cards, check in at the door or at the IQA booth, where a current roster will be available.