

## Specialty (Art) Quilts for Quilt Show 2010

We are calling for "Art Quilts" for the special showing at the 2010 Wallowa Mountain Quilters Guild Quilt Show taking place June 11 - 12, 2010.

The following is a description of an "Art Quilt"

When quilts were lifted from the bed and assigned to a wall, a new era in quilt making began. Formal elements of composition and design became central to its construction, when, like a painting, the quilt could finally be viewed in its entirety. Size and shape were no longer determined by the quilt's function as a bedcover. Small quilts became increasingly common. Some included mixed media, such as plastic, wood, metal, beads, as integral parts of their design. (FROM ARTQUILTNETWORK.COM/EXPANDING\_BOUNDARIES.HTM)

Some of the first quilt makers incorporated photo transfer, bleaching, layering multiple fabrics, fabric painting, machine embroidering to produce complex color, patterns and textures. Landscape quilts are also considered Art Quilts. These quilts reflect the personal vision of their maker.

Anything original and generally intended to be art and hang on the wall vs being placed on a bed is considered an art quilt.

A work must be composed of at least two full and distinct layers - a face layer and a backing layer. The face layer may be pieces, appliqués, whole cloth, stitched/fused to a foundation. The two layers must be held together by hand - or machined quilting stitches.