



## 2026 Junior & Youth Block Challenge

### Conditions of Entry

**To encourage involvement in the art of patchwork and quilting by participating in the QuiltNSW Junior & Youth Block Challenge.**

- The finished block must have no side smaller than 25 cm (10 inches) and no larger than 30 cm (12 inches) the block is to be square.
- Entrants are to be no older than 18.
- Entries must be made via the Online Entry Form by Friday 31 July 2026.
- Completed block must be received by QuiltNSW by Friday 14 August 2026.
- There is no limit to the colours, materials, method of construction or designs that may be used. You can use any technique or medium.
- All blocks must include a stitched component either by hand or machine or both. The block may consist of smaller blocks if the finished block is within the size requirements. The block is not to include quilting or binding. If the entrant is a Junior, they may have the assistance of an adult to create their entry.
- Embellishments that are sharp or could rub off are not allowed e.g., loose glitter.
- Each block must be labelled with the entrant's name and school year. The label may be fabric or paper stitched (no pins) to the back of the block in the top lefthand corner along the 2 outside edges.
- If the entrant is not a current member of QuiltNSW they will require their entry to be sponsored by a current QuiltNSW member.
- A sponsor must be a current individual member, be listed as part of a current family membership, belong to a group that holds a group membership, or be a life member. If you need a sponsor, please email [office@quiltsw.com](mailto:office@quiltsw.com)
- There is no limit to how many entrants a QuiltNSW member may sponsor. [www.quiltsw.com/junior-youth-block-challenge](http://www.quiltsw.com/junior-youth-block-challenge)
- There is no entry fee.
- There are 2 categories.
  - Junior (up to year 6)
  - Youth (years 7-12)
- An entrant may enter one (1) block.
- The blocks will be on display at the QuiltNSW Exhibition.
- Each entrant will receive an exhibitor ribbon and free admission to attend a single day at the QuiltNSW Exhibition. They may attend on a day of their choosing.
- Completed blocks are to be sent or delivered in person to the QuiltNSW office by Friday 14 August 2026. Refer to addresses below.
- Judges appointed by the Committee will make awards for *First, Second and Third* place.

- The Committee reserves the right to photograph and permit to be photographed, all items for publicity, publication, archives and other appropriate purpose (this may include promotional stationery to be used as a QuiltNSW fundraiser).
- Whilst all due care will be taken, QuiltNSW accepts no responsibility for the safety of the challenge entries.

Any questions, please email: [junior.coordinator@quiltsw.com](mailto:junior.coordinator@quiltsw.com)

### **Prizes**

All prize winners will receive a rosette and the prizes listed below:

There are prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in each category:

#### ***Junior***

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize      \$300 Bernina Scissor Set (sponsored by Bernina)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize      \$30 value Officeworks Gift Card
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize      \$20 value Officeworks Gift Card

#### ***Youth***

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize      \$300 Bernina Scissor Set (sponsored by Bernina)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize      \$75 value Officeworks Gift Card
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize      \$50 value Officeworks Gift Card

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Enter online by Friday 31 July 2026.

Completed block must be received by QuiltNSW by Friday 14 August 2026:

Mail to:          Junior & Youth Block Challenge  
                         QuiltNSW  
                         PO Box 20129  
                         WORLD SQUARE NSW 2002

Deliver to:      Junior & Youth Block Challenge  
                         QuiltNSW  
                         Level 5, 276 Pitt Street  
                         SYDNEY NSW 2000  
                         *Wednesday & Friday 11am to 2pm*

Telephone: 02 9283 3737  
 Please phone first to check office will be open.

A sample Quilt Block Tutorial is available by emailing the co-ordinator:

[junior.coordinator@quiltsw.com](mailto:junior.coordinator@quiltsw.com)