

MASTER QUILTER NOMINATIONS

Master Quilter Nominations are now open. If you have someone in mind, the deadline to submit your nomination is **Thursday, September 8th, 2016**

Please note the Master Quilter Criteria from our Bylaws and the Master Quilter Secret Ballot Voting Procedures are included in this announcement. This information will help you decide who you feel is the best nominee and how to write up your nomination.

Please submit your written nomination to LaWanda Richardson by September 8th. You may submit them in person, by e-mail or regular mail. (MMQ, P.O. Box 3254, Sunriver, OR. 97707)

**Written Nomination is in narrative form, not to exceed 450 words or one typed page.

MASTER QUILTER CRITERIA

Below is Article VII, Section 1, from the MMQ Bylaws. Please refer to this section when completing a nomination for a Master Quilter. Questions: please call Lawanda Richardson or Patty Gates.

ARTICLE VII: Awards and Recognitions

Section1. Master Quilter. This award honors a member who has made contributions in support of the goals of the MMQ Guild. And whose skills and workmanship the membership admires/respects.

- Nomination. Any member shall have the opportunity to nominate another member for Master Quilter. The nomination shall list how the member has served Mountain Meadow Quilters and how their skills and expertise are recognized. The Master Quilter nominee must be willing to accept the nomination.
- Qualifications. Workmanship and service to the MMQ Guild are equally important criteria.
- Election. Election for Master Quilter shall be secret ballot of the membership.
- Presentation. The presentation of the Master Quilter Award shall be given at the Annual Party.
- Expectations. The Master Quilter shall be available for professional and technical guidance to all the members and their various projects.

MASTER QUILTER SECRET BALLOT VOTING PROCEDURE

(As found in the MMQ Procedures Handbook)

Members present at October 11th voting meeting will be given a ballot. The member will sign a roster saying that they have voted and place the ballot, in the ballot box.

Members not present may put their vote on a piece of paper and insert it in a plain envelope. The envelope is placed in another mailing envelope with a return address and mailed to MMQ, P.O. Box 3254, Sunriver, OR. 97707. It must be one week prior to the voting date October 11th in order to be received and counted in a timely manner.

The President will pick up all ballots from the mailbox the day before the voting. A roster will be started to acknowledge those ballots have been received. Identifying envelopes will be removed and ballot placed in the ballot box which will be taken to the voting meeting.

The president and Vice President will count the votes before the meeting ends to ensure there is not a tie vote. In the event of a tie, the vote will be repeated between the tied nominees only, with only the members present voting.

2016 SCHEDULE FOR MASTER QUILTER VOTING

Prior to September 13th, Master Quilter Procedures reviewed and nominations opened.

September 13th meeting- Nominations will be announced. Nomination letters will be submitted to the October Newsletter issuance and sent by e-mail to membership on-line.

October 4th- Members who will not be present at the October 11th voting meeting must mail their ballots to MMQ, P.O. Box 3254, Sunriver, OR 97707

(Remember: Columbus Day is October 10th)

October 11th meeting- Master Quilter voting will occur and votes counted.