

## 2012 PPQG Quilt Challenge “Candy Bar Challenge”

Thank you for your participation in the 2012 Guild Challenge. The challenge is to make a small quilt inspired by a candy bar or snack candy. Please do not consider yourself in competition with anyone in particular. “If your life is becoming a bit stale, routine, and uneventful, this suggestion could give it new spark and verve. Attempt to be creative, not in competition with those who are particularly talented, but just for the joy and happiness that it brings.” Richard G. Scott, “Finding Peace, Happiness, and Joy”

### **Rules:**

- 1 – Your inspiration can come from the candy’s name, color, wrapper, taste, or a memory. Please do not put any part of the candy name or logo on your quilt top. Copyright laws prohibit this and your quilt will be disqualified.
- 2 – We will be taking signups during general meetings from January to May. We request you give us your name, phone number, and email address so we can contact you with updates and notifications. At that time you will receive a copy of the rules and the challenge fabric.
- 3 – Finished quilts should be 30” or less on each side. There is no minimum size.
- 4 – All methods are welcome: fusible web, pieced, appliqué, wholecloth, ink/paints, embellishments, etc.
- 5 – The challenge fabric must be visible. Here are some tips from Shirley Gisi:
  - If you need to clip, use a seam sealing product and let it dry, then clip.
  - Use a new machine or hand needle as any burrs or dullness will snag the fabric and create a run.
  - The same info goes for pins. Check to see they are sharp and use carefully and sparingly.
  - Set your iron on synthetic and use a press cloth, parchment paper or Teflon sheet between the iron and fabric. Keep this in mind when doing a final press on the whole quilt.
  - If you wish to fuse, take a small sample and experiment. A press cloth works better than the other ironing options when fusing as it lets the steam penetrate the fabric. Remember that this is a synthetic with metal in it. Don't use a hot iron.
  - The fabric reflects light and can come across differently than you had imagined. Try it on your design wall before sewing. It scrunches nicely for embellishments.
  - The fabric was purchased at Mill Outlet in case you need more. ☺
- 6 – Artist Statement. Write a brief description of the candy and inspiration for your quilt. Statements will be posted without names at the voting so please keep them brief, but informative.
- 7 – Please include a 4” finished sleeve on your quilt.

8 – Please include a label on the back of the quilt with the:  
Title of the Quilt  
Your Name  
“PPQG 2012 Candy Bar Challenge”  
The name of your candy inspiration

9 – Please deliver your quilt in a pillowcase or bag with your name on it. Include a signed release form and a copy of your artist’s statement.

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### Schedule of Events:

- 18 Jan – 16 May 2012: Accept Signups.
- 20 Jun 2012: Finished quilts delivered at PPQG general meeting.
- 18 Jul 2012: Quilts on display at the PPQG meeting for voting.
- 19 Jul – 28 Sep 2012: Top 10 quilts travel to local quilt shops.
- 17 Oct 2012: Quilts can be picked up at the PPQG general meeting.