

The 14th-Annual Quilt Expo, hosted by Wisconsin Public Television and Nancy Zieman Productions, took place September 6–8, at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison. A total of 20,216 people attended the three-day event. The 2018 Quilt Expo featured:

- A 10-category juried and judged Quilt Contest Exhibit featuring 307 quilts and \$12,000 in cash prizes.
- A juried and judged Quilt Expo Bake Off Quilt Challenge featuring 30 quilts and \$600 in cash prizes.
- A Quilt Expo Modern Mini Quilt Challenge curated exhibit featuring 21 quilts.
- Four special quilt exhibit areas featuring 165 quilts and a Kids' Quilt Challenge featuring 8 quilts.
- 126 informational lectures, 26 stage presentations, 31 sit & sew workshops, 31 hands-on workshops, which combined drew more than 8,000 participants.
- An 85,000 square foot vendor mall with 397 vendor booths representing 191 businesses and organizations from across the nation.
- Two entertaining evening events, “The Bedquilt & A Quilting Bee in Our Village” with Michèle LaRue and “Pieced Together” with Julianne Donofrio.
- A “Quilt to Give” community service project, during which bed-size quilts were collected and stitched on-site to donate to [Enchanted Makeovers](#) and [Domestic Abuse Intervention Services \(DAIS\)](#). Fourteen quilts were collected and an additional 15 were completed during the show. Thank you to the generous Quilt Expo attendees for donating fabric, time and quilting skills.
- Quilt Appraisals by Carol Butzke and Linda Honsberger, American Quilt Society certified appraisers.
- UW Health provided information about women’s health topics.
- The Quilt Expo raffle featured 31 prizes, each with a value of \$200 or more. The raffle raised more than \$10,000 to support programming on Wisconsin Public Television.

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The 2019 Quilt Expo will be held September 5–7 at the Exhibition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison.