

OURstory: Civil Rights Stories in Fabric

Size: 25" wide x 40" long

The **Civil Rights Act of 1964** which was enacted on July 2, 1964 outlawed discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. It ended unequal application of voter registration requirements and racial segregation in schools, at the workplace and by facilities that served the general public. Since then additions to our Civil Rights have been made through a variety of legislation. What right is most important to you? What group do you identify with that struggles to get those rights? Which leader of a human rights movement is your hero? What is your story, your struggle, your victory? The field is wide open.

Some of the legally protected variables that protect people from being discriminated against are:

Race

Color

Religion

Sex

National Origin

Sexual Orientation

Age

Familial Status

Citizenship

Disability

The 25"W x 40"L quilts (portrait orientation) will tell the stories of the struggles of all people to experience the rights to which all people are entitled. Pieces can honor groups who have had to fight for their rights, leaders in such groups, movements, events and personal stories. All works must be original designs. Do not use patterns or other copyrighted materials. No computerized quilting patterns may be used. Text may be used, but no copyrighted verbiage. Any photos used must be original, in the public domain or used with permission of the original photographer. Release forms will be required from people who own the right to the image used on any quilt, if it is not your own.

The quilts will be traveling and will be stacked, so they must be constructed flat. Embellishments, which could damage other quilts or be damaged by stacking, are not allowed. Textile friendly embellishments are allowed. Make sure your embellishments are not fragile. Please do not ask for special handling, individual care and/or special packing. This is not a 3-D project. Since quilts will be stacked together to be shipped, pieces must be clean and free of smoke odor. Any quilt with a strong odor will be shipped back to the creator at their cost.

Quilts will be juried by a panel of experienced art quilters. Professional quality photographs of your art quilt and a 250 word artist statement are required for jurying. Submission of your quilts will be done via ArtCall. Save your digital images as a high quality JPEG, no TIFF or RAW. The finished image should be a minimum of 3000 pixels on the longest side. Professional textile photography is recommended. DO NOT send me your actual quilt with your initial submission. The artist statement, explaining the story behind your piece, and photographs of the quilt are due to me by September 11, 2017. You will be sent a link to use to submit your quilt. You will be notified of the results of the jurying in late October, date TBD after conferring with the jurors. Shipping information will be provided at the time of your acceptance.

Hard copy, signed release forms must be included with delivery of quilt, one for Schiffer Publishing Ltd., the other to permit travel with exhibit(s). These forms will be emailed to you.

In addition to the non-refundable \$40 registration fee, artists will be responsible for delivery of the quilt to and from Susanne Jones. If the quilt needs to be shipped, the artist will pay shipping and insurance to and from Susanne. The registration fee will be used to cover shipping to and from the exhibit venues, no additional fees will be required.

Each quilt must have a 4" wide x 24" long pleated sleeve www.moonlightingquilts.wordpress.com/tag/how-to-make-a-quilt-sleeve/ and a label. The sleeve should be 1" down from the top edge. The label should contain the title of the work, artist's name, date completed and town where made.

Quilts will travel for up to two years. Please do not publish pictures of your quilt or portions thereof via social media or otherwise until given the go ahead by the curator to do so. Please note that you may choose to only submit your quilt for the manuscript and decline the exhibit opportunities. Artists may submit up to three quilts.

Please email the attached form and a PayPal payment at <https://www.paypal.com/webapps/mpp/send-money-online> to b_lee_ver@verizon.net. Do not use my other email addresses for PayPal. Please register by May 31, 2017. If this date has already passed, email susanne@susannemjones.com to check on current status of this project.

OURstory Registration

Name:

Email:

Mailing Address:

Phone Number:

OURstory Wish List: Please indicate your top 3 choices in order of preference. All quilts will be 25"W x 40"L. Please tell me the theme or topic of your quilt. The purpose of this is to make sure the subject fits the parameters of the collection. More than one entry will be allowed per topic, but limits may be placed on the number of entries on any one topic at my discretion.

My intention is for you to make whatever you really want to make. The only reason you might not get your first choice is if a slew of people want to make a certain person or event for example.

Choice 1:

Choice 2:

Choice 3:

I will not begin work on a quilt until I receive email confirmation of my "assignment". I understand I am responsible for insuring my own quilt.

Signature:

Date: