

2016 Texas Department of Agriculture Quilt Block Competition Sponsors

This material packet was designed to represent the diversity of Texas' natural fiber industry. The 2016 Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Quilt Block Competition represents a wide variety of fabrics thanks to our sponsors, whose participation and generous donations of time and supplies make this possible. Below, you will learn more about our sponsors who, together, represent Texas' diverse natural fiber industry.

HOBBS BONDED FIBERS

Hobbs Bonded Fibers, of Waco, has generously donated the batting that will be used for the completed quilt. Their Tuscany Collection is a blend of fine cotton and superwash wool that quilts magnificently by hand or machine. For more information on Hobbs Bonded Fibers, visit hobbsbondedfibers.com or call (254) 741-0040.



DESIGNS BY TANA



"designs by tana" is located in Crowley, Texas. Tana specializes in western designs and crayon patterns. Her crayon studio offers classes and workshops in various crayon techniques. The Color Team travels and hosts programs, lectures and quilting shows. Tana is also the artist of a western fabric line for blank quilting. Her new line of fabric, Western Denim & Dirt, is now available.

Tana and The Color Team donated beautiful fabric and assembled the quilt packets for the competition. During this bi-annual quilt challenge, Tana offers free brainstorming workshops for all participants. For more information, visit designsbytana.com or call (817) 680-7220.

TANDY LEATHER FACTORY



Tandy Leather Factory of Fort Worth provided the suede for this year's competition. Founded in 1980, Tandy Leather Factory is the premier distributor of leather and related products to customers worldwide. Their product lines consist of leather, leatherworking tools, buckles and adornments for belts, leather dyes and finishes, shoe repair supplies, saddle and tack hardware, and do-it-yourself kits. Visit tandyleatherfactory.com or call (800) 433-3201 for more information on their leather products.

MARIA HALL

A former member of the U.S. Navy and past corporate trainer for distribution centers serving Fortune 50 retail companies, Maria Hall is no stranger to hard work. She first began quilting as a hobby and left the corporate world in 2009 to pursue her passion full-time. Her drive and dedication to her projects is evident in her work. She is constantly looking for greater challenges. Maria is a member of Mensa's IQ (Intelligent Quilters), the Lewisville and Dallas Quilt Guilds, the American Quilter's Society and the International Machine Quilters Association. She works in her home studio in Flower Mound and examples of her work can be found at charmingprintsquilting.com. Maria pieces together and quilts the winning blocks in to the beautiful quilt revealed at the State Fair of Texas. Contact Maria by email at maria.charmingprints@gmail.com.



TERRI VOGDS



Terri (Broussard) Vogds, a native Texan, started quilting in 1989. She lectures and teaches quilting. She invented the “Easy Twist” and “Easy Spinning Stars” quilting rulers that employ her strip-piecing and quick-cutting techniques. She designs a line of quilt patterns that use her rulers, as well as appliqués.

Terri's award-winning quilts include “Happy Hearts for Kelsie,” which won *Pride of Dallas* at the Dallas Quilt Celebration in 2000. This quilt, along with several others, appeared in *Quilter's Newsletter*. Some of her other quilts have been published in *Quilt it for Kids*, and popular quilt books.

Terri has participated in TDA's quilt block contests since it began in 1997. She has chosen the fabric, designed the layouts and constructed the quilt tops with the winning blocks since 2000. Visit Terri's website at terrivogds.com or contact her by email at terri@terrivogds.com for more information on lectures, workshops, rulers or patterns.