

2024 Quilt Show Suggestions for Artisan's Market—Diane Jackson

If you're wondering what you can make for the Artisans Market, you are not alone! It's challenging to know what will be a "hit," but the following suggestions (based on past experience and current market trends) may help you find just the right project for your donation! You-Tube has plenty of tutorials for additional ideas, too. Your donations of time, talent, and hand-made artistry help our Guild provide programs for the next 2 years. Your generosity is appreciated!!

Keep in mind: variety and one-of-a-kind
popular and timely colors
"Boutique" vs. "Big Box" (i.e., unique items vs. mass production)

The following ideas may help spark your creativity as you consider donations:

Vintage Items - anything made of vintage linens (from tea towels, old quilts, vintage block sets, crocheted tablecloth, etc.)

Baby Items - clutches for diapers, receiving blankets, burp cloths, tummy-time mats, diaper& wipe travel sets. (Think gender neutral to attract larger audience)

Holiday /Seasonal Items – unique ornaments, décor

Kids Items – stuffed animals in kid-friendly prints/old quilts, book/pillow combinations, kids' cooking/art aprons

Kitchen Items – decorative kitchen towels; cute and unique coasters, mug rugs and potholders

Sewing Room Items – stilettoes, project bags, needle cases, seam clappers, bags for travel irons, pin cushions (if unusual, unique and one-of-a-kind - no "twins")

Aprons – vintage style, "Mommy and me," kids' cooking/art aprons (gender neutral)

Bags – All kinds and sizes! Zippered bags, makeup bags, shopping bags, purses (cross-body), etc.

Bookmarks – unique, one-of-a-kind

Coiled bowls, containers, pouches, little baskets in a variety of sizes

Pillow Cases – for kids only

Placemat Sets – sets of 4 sell best

Greeting Cards – hand-made from cloth sold best at last show

Unique Accessories – handmade jewelry, scarf pins, hand-dyed silk scarves, etc.