Norwegian Quilters' Guild (NQF)

The Norwegian Quilt Association (*Norsk Quilteforbund*) was founded in 1988. We currently have approx. 2.400 members in august 2014

We organize an Annual meeting in March every year. During this event we offer classes, lectures, exhibitions and a big selection of quilt shops for our members. A juried competition is announced every year. Prices are awarded in three categories from 2015; Traditional, Open Class and 2-person. You can see all the winners quilt from 2002 and every year after that on http://www.ngf.no/konkurranser/

We also have a competition every year for young quilters - children under the age of 16 and school-classes. From 2014 you can see this quilts here: <u>http://www.nqf.no/konkurranse-unge-quiltere/</u> NQF brings all the children quilts to the Festival of Quilts in Birmingham every year.

Our members make and donate quilts to hospitalized children, suffering from long-term illnesses. Our members are excited about this project and have made more than 2000 quilts for this purpose.

We are also involved in the registration and documentation of old Norwegian quilts. A book called "**Gamle tekstiler**" (Old Textiles) was published 2002, written by Joan Foster, but the registration project continues.

Our magazine, "Norsk Quilteblad" (Norwegian Quilt Magazine), is published quarterly. We receive articles from all over the country as well as from the international quilting community. We also have a few patterns, and both traditional quilts and contemporary quilts are presented.

NQF is a member of the **European Quilt Association**. We also have a very close cooperation with the other **Nordic Quilters' Guilds**.

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