

## EQG Quilt Show Appraiser

### Appraiser to Be Available During Show

Allison Rainboth, AQS Certified Appraiser of Quilted Textiles, will be available by appointment during the show. She encourages people to take advantage of her services. "Many people are not aware of the surprisingly high values of newly made quilts. As fabric, patterns, and quilting have all increased in price, the replacement cost for quilts has risen as well." She notes that most insurance companies will not reimburse the owner for a lost or damaged quilt unless there is a valid appraisal for the piece. Quilt appraisals are legal documents which are shared with the owner's insurance provider. Generally higher value quilts are insured via a rider, like a piece of fine art or jewelry. Without an appraisal, owners don't have much success with claims.



Appointments can be made by emailing Allison at [arainboth@gmail.com](mailto:arainboth@gmail.com) or calling her at 920-290-5198.

### Bio

Allison Rainboth is certified by the American Quilters Society as an appraiser of quilts and quilted textiles. She has been appraising quilt since 2006, when she took the series of appraisal classes in Paducah. Along the way, she became a noted lecturer in quilt history, focusing on quilts from 1850 to 1900. In 2019, she passed her exams and became a fully-qualified AQS certified appraiser. She has substantial experience with appraising all types of quilts from antique to modern, including art and other non-traditional work.

Allison is a professional longarm quilter and has owned and operated her business, Sisters Choice Quilting Service, since 2003. She has completed more than 3,000 pieces to date. She has a strong interest in antique and vintage quilts, and is the coordinator of the Wisconsin Quilt Study Group and a member of the American Quilt Study Group and the Midwest Fabric Study Group. Allison is also a NACQJ Certified Quilt Show Judge. She travels widely to judge, lecture, and appraise all over the country.

Allison lives in Berlin, Wisconsin, in a 100+ year old house with two Scotties, five cats, and her husband Walter, who recently retired after many years as a professor of Biology at University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. She was born in the Los Angeles area and learned to drive in the Rose Bowl parking lot. In her spare time, she loves to cook, and read fantasy and mystery novels.



Certified  
Appraiser

Quilted Textiles

### Professional Appraisal Services

*How much is your quilt worth? You may be surprised!*

Appraisals will be available by appointment at the quilt show. AQS Certified Appraiser Allison Rainboth has been appraising quilts since 2006. Allison can assess quilts hanging in the show or pieces you bring with you.

She will be offering two kinds of services:

#### **Verbal Assessment \$25**

Verbal assessments are very useful for older family pieces when you may not know the history or care requirements of your piece. Use this assessment to find out about the mystery quilt left to you by your relative. Allison does not offer verbal assessments for contemporary pieces, and a verbal assessment does not include a fair market valuation.

#### **Written Appraisal \$50**

This form of appraisal will involve the collection of specific data about your piece of any age. Allison will document the details of the quilt and will research the market to set values. The written appraisal will be mailed to you after the show. It is valid for submission to your insurance company to obtain coverage.

Please note: A professional appraiser does not purchase or sell quilts while doing appraisals.

To schedule an appointment: Contact Allison directly at **920-290-5198** or e-mail [arainboth@gmail.com](mailto:arainboth@gmail.com) – space is limited, so don't wait!