



2021  
**PRESIDENT'S  
CHALLENGE**

*Exploring the Possibilities*

Many traditional quilt blocks have been around for decades. And there are dozen we're all familiar with like Sun Bonnet Sue, log cabin and Dresden plate. Well, now's your chance to pick a traditional quilt pattern and see what it would look like in the 21st century!

Take your favorite quilt block and interpret it four ways. Use this challenge to expand and explore the design possibilities of a traditional block. Take a familiar block and how it is usually presented and make it into something entirely new. It may mean changing the setting, the colors or the form quilters are accustomed to seeing it in a quilt.

You must interpret the same block four ways and set it either in a square, horizontal or vertical format. Start with the traditional pattern and then go from there! Here's some ideas for other approaches you might take:

MODERNIZE IT  
ADD EMBELLISHMENTS  
CRAZY QUILT IT  
FRACTURE THE BLOCK  
WHAT IF IT WERE A COLLAGE?  
DOES IT WORK IN REPETITION?  
FUSE IN DIFFERENT MATERIALS  
DO SOMETHING EXPERIMENTAL  
DISTORT THE IMAGE  
MAKE A DESIGN PROGRESSION  
SIMPLIFY IT  
COMPLICATE IT

Assemble your four, 12" blocks into a square or strung out lengthwise or vertically. The only restriction is that the original, traditional block, needs to be recognizable in some form in each panel.

**PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE is DUE at the NOVEMBER MEETING**