

Planning MY Best Quilt! Before I Begin. . .

Visuals:

Color

- contrast
- value
- texture

- ___ Do I like the colors?
- ___ Is there enough contrast and value difference in the fabrics I chose to make the pattern stand out?
- ___ Does the design attract attention yet give the eye a place to rest?

Design

- Pattern
- Line, shape
- Originality

- ___ Have I chosen fabrics that are proportional for the size of pieces in my quilt?
- ___ Have I chosen the right layout for these blocks?
- ___ What do I want the design to reflect?
- ___ Have I done anything to put a personal stamp on this quilt?

Quilting

- compliment the top
 - fill the spaces
 - consistent
- ___ Do I want it hand or machine quilted?
 - ___ Did I have a vision of the quilting pattern when I was working with the fabrics?
 - ___ Do I want to spend the money for custom machine quilting?
 - ___ What are the lines in the quilt top? Straight or curved?
 - ___ How will the quilting design compliment those lines?

Structure:

Workmanship

- precision - seams
 - borders
 - bindings
 - quilting stitch
 - finish
- ___ What is my level of precision?
 - ___ How often do my seams match?
 - ___ Are my appliqué stitches smooth?
 - ___ Do my borders hang straight (are they cut straight?)
 - ___ Are my bindings smooth and tight?