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## WISCONSIN QUILT HISTOR Y PROJECT DOCUMENTATION FORM

Date Interviewer $\qquad$
Place $\qquad$
Please fill in everything you know. If you don't know, just leave it blank.

| Quilt Owner: | Address: |
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| Phone Number: | Email Address: |
| Quilt Pattern: | Quilter's Ethnic Heritage: |
| Who made this quilt? (include maiden name): | Gender: Female Male Group <br> If made by group, group's founding date and/or <br> ending date (if applicable): |
| Birth date of quilter: | Marriage date of quilter: |
| Death date (if applicable): | Highest level of education (circle one): <br> none <br> middle schor school <br> college post-graduate doctorate |
| other (please explain) |  |

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| Spouse's or spouses ethnic background(s): | Quiltmaker's number of children: boys girls |
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| How did the quiltmaker learn to quilt? (circle) <br> - Class Friend <br> - Guild or club member <br> - Home Extension agent <br> - Relative <br> - TV Show <br> - 4-H <br> - Self-Taught <br> - Other: | When did the quiltmaker learn to quilt? (circle) <br> - Under age 10 <br> - 11-19 <br> - 20-29 <br> - 30-39 <br> - 40-49 <br> - 50 or over <br> - After an illness <br> - After raising children <br> - After retiring |
| Why did/does quiltmaker quilt? (circle all that apply) <br> - church <br> - fundraising <br> - gifts <br> - income <br> - necessity pleasure <br> - therapy <br> - other | Estimate number of quilts made by this quilter: (circle) <br> - 1-5 quilts <br> - 5-20 quilts <br> - 25-50 quilts <br> - more than 50 |
| Does/did the quiltmaker sell quilts? Yes No | If yes, what price was charged for the quilts? |
| Does/did the quiltmaker teach quilting: (circle) yes no only informally |  |
| Any notes or stories about the quiltmaker: (can continue on separate sheet) | Any known sources (printed) for the quiltmaker (can continue on separate sheet) |
| Who made the top of this quilt? | If the quilt was made by a group, please write the group name here: |
| Who quilted this quilt? | Names of anyone else who worked on or helped with this quilt: |
| Where was this quilt made? City: | County: <br> Reservation: |
| State or Province: | Country: |

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How was this quilt was acquired by the owner? (circle):

- gift
- inheritance
- made by owner
- presentation/award
- purchase
- raffle or contest prize
- unknown
- other:

Quiltmaker's reasons for making quilt (circle):

- art or personal expression
- anniversary
- autograph or friendship
- baby or crib
- commemorative
- challenge or contest entry
- fundraising
- gift or presentation
- home decoration
- memorial
- mourning
- personal income
- reunion
therapy
- teaching or learning sample
- wedding
- unknown
- not described
- other:

Where did the quiltmaker get the fabric used in this quilt? (circle)

- feed or flour sacks
- old clothes
- other quilts
- purchased new
- sewing scraps
- traded for
- unknown
- other

Any additional stories or notes about the quilt's ownership or history? (can continue on separate sheet)

Quilt was originally designed to be used as (circle):

- artwork/wall quilt
- bedding/daily use
- bedding/special occasion
- decorative throw
- doll quilt/toy
- lap robe/shawl
- pillow cover/sham
- unknown
- other:
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| Where did the quiltmaker get the pattern for the quilt top? <br> Quilt top pattern source (circle): <br> - Another quilt <br> - Original to maker <br> - Commercial/published book <br> - Provided in a class <br> - Commercial/published magazine <br> - Public Domain/traditional pattern <br> - Commercial/published newspaper <br> - Round robin exchange <br> - Commercial/published pattern <br> - Traditional pattern variation <br> - Commercial/published kit <br> - Unknown <br> - Commercial/published source: computer software <br> Other: | Where did the quiltmaker get the design for the quilting? <br> Quilting design pattern source (circle): <br> - Another quilt <br> - commercial pattern <br> - computer software <br> - kit <br> - original to the maker <br> - published material <br> - public domain <br> - unknown <br> - other |
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| Commercial pattern source name: | Commercial quilting design source name: |
| Each quilt is unique. Any additional stories about the quilt's design or materials source: |  |
| Exhibit history of the quilt: please provide copy of list of exhibits or list on separate sheet | Contests in which this quilt was entered: please provide a copy of contests entered or list on back of sheet |
| If this quilt were selected for a museum exhibit, would the owner be willing to lend it for several months or a year being assured that great care would be taken? (circle): <br> yes no not sure | I give my permission to have photographs of this quilt taken and used for educational purposes. |
|  | Signature of Quilt Owner or Representative |
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| Quilt Description |  |
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| Type of quilt object (circle): <br> finished quilt quilt blocks or pieces quilt top <br> with unfinished edges quilted garment summer <br> spread other | Quilt title: |
| Owner's name for quilt's pattern: |  |
| Brackman encyclopedia number: | Alternate names(s) for quilt's pattern in common |
| use: |  |

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| Excellent/like new <br> - very good <br> almost new <br> - good/moderate use <br> - fair/worn <br> - poor/very worn <br> - unknown/not rated | wear. No repairs. All seams and stitching intact. Very good/almost new: Quilt may have minimal fading or staining, no holes, tears, or fabric loss. All stitching and seams are intact. May have slight batting shift. <br> Good/moderate use: Some staining, fading or discoloration noted. May have some age appropriate wear to fabrics or binding. May have some loose stitching. May have been repaired. May have a batting shift. <br> Fair/worn: Has faded, wear, or staining, May have some tears, holes or fabric loss. May have loose stitches or open seams. May have shifted batting or small amounts exposed. <br> Poor/very worn: Obvious fading, wear or staining. May have serious tears, holes, fraying or fabric |
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| Damage to quilt (circle all that apply): dirty discoloration or dyes ran, disintegration of fabric distortion or shrinkage fading fold marks or creases insect damage mildew open seams pencil/pen or marking lines quilting threads broken ties missing stains tears or holes uneven batting wear to edge or binding other: | Repairs to quilt (circle all that apply): cut down to smaller size patched with new fabrics patched with period fabrics rebound stabilized with netting tear or hole sewn together other |
| Comments or notes on quilt's condition or repair history: | Is there an inscription (label, dates, names, identification, etc.)? <br> Yes <br> No |
| Content of inscription(s) including all dates (can continue on back of page 8 or on separate sheet): | Date of Inscription: |
| Method of inscription (circle all that apply):attached labelcomputer generatedembroideryin the quiltinginkpencil printed in the fabric stamped <br> stencil typewriter other | Location of the inscription (circle): <br> - multiple locations <br> - on back <br> - on block <br> - on border <br> - other |

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| Time period (circle one): |  |  | Date quilt was begun (actual or estimated): |
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| pre-1799 | 1800-1849 | 1850-1875 |  |
| 1876-1900 | 1901-1929 | 1930-1949 |  |
| 1950-1975 | 1976-1999 | 2000-2025 |  |
| 2026-2050 | Timespan |  |  |
| Date quilt was finished (actual or estimate): |  |  | Family/owner's date for the quilt (actual or estimated): |
| Other external or professional date estimation: |  |  | Other date estimation by whom: |
| Further information concerning date(s): |  |  | Quilt top description, Layout Format (circle): <br> block pattern horizontal bands medallion or framed center one patch or allover vertical bands wholecloth other <br> crazy <br> horizontal strip nontraditional or art pictorial vertical strip |
| Quilt Subject, if it has one: |  |  | Number of blocks: |
| Size of blocks (L x W) : |  |  | Number of different block patterns present |
| Arrangement of blocks/block orientation (circle): <br> straight <br> - on point or rotated 45 degrees <br> - rotated, but less than 45 degrees |  |  | Spacing relative to other blocks (circle): $\quad$ Alternating with plain squares, Bands or horizontal strippy (in horizontal rov separated by plain horizontal bars), Separated by plain sashing, Separated by appliquéd pattern sashing, Separated by diagonal sashing, Separated by floated or random sashing (size of sashing pieces varies visually in length and/or width), Separated by garden maze sashing, Separated by inner and outer sashing (sashing surrounds all sides of all blocks) (no sashing along outer edge of outer blocks) Separated by pieced pattern sashing Side by side Strippy or vertical bands (in vertical rows separated by plain vertical bars) Other |
| Block style (circle): |  |  | Medallion Size (Length x width): |

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| diamondshexagons <br> sampler <br> squares <br> sashing width: <br> same block throughout |  |
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| appliqué techniques (circle all that apply): |  |
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| Blanket buttonhole or other decorative <br> appliqué stitch <br> fusible appliqué <br> hand appliqué <br> machine appliqué <br> reverse appliqué <br> other appliqué | biscuit <br> cathedral window |
| folding |  |

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| coral cream fuchsia gold gray green lavender maroon orange pink purple red rust turquoise or teal white yellow | reversible <br> same fabric used throughout solid/plain |
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| Number of pieces in quilt back: | Width of pieces: |
| Quilt binding, materials used (circle): $\begin{array}{lcl}\text { cotton } & \text { cotton or polyester } & \text { linen } \\ \text { silk } & \text { wool } & \text { other }\end{array}$ | Fabric structure used in binding (circle): plain weave twill weave satin sateen flannel knit velvet unknown other |
| Construction techniques used in binding (circle <br> all that apply): <br> back turned to front <br> bias grain <br> commercial <br> cording <br> edges turned in/no separate binding <br> fringe <br> front turned to back <br> hand sewn <br> home cut <br> lace <br> machine sewn prairie points <br> ribbon ruffles straight grain <br> unfinished/raw edge woven tape other | Width of binding (circle): less than a half inch half inch-one inch greater than one inch |
| Quilt batting: material used (circle): <br> - another quilt <br> - blanket or flannel <br> - cotton <br> - cotton or polyester blend <br> - polyester <br> - sheet <br> - wool <br> - no filling | Batting loft (circle): <br> thin (less than 3/16") <br> medium (3/16") <br> thick (More than 3/16") |

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| - cannot tell other |  |
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| Quilting techniques used (circle): <br> - corded <br> - hand quilting <br> - machine quilting <br> - not quilted <br> - stuffed work <br> tied or tufted <br> - other | Thread color: |
| Knots visible (circle) yes no | Width, in inches, between the quilting lines: |
| Number of quilting stitches per inch, counting top only in two different places: <br> Place \#1: <br> Place \#2: | Quilting designs used, motifs and overall patterns (circle all that apply): <br> - All-over-design <br> - clamshell <br> - Double parallel lines <br> - echo <br> - elbow/fan <br> - grid/crosshatch <br> - grid diamond <br> - grid square <br> - in-the-ditch <br> - meander/free motion <br> - outline patches <br> - outline/in-the-ditch <br> - single parallel lines <br> - stipple <br> - triple parallel lines <br> - other |
| Quilting designs used, decorative patterns (circle all that apply): | Quilting designs used, background patterns (circle all that apply): <br> grid/crosshatch meander parallel lines stipple none other |
| Any other features or notes about the quilt's appearance, materials or construction: |  |

## Notes:

