

INFORMATION FOR QUILTERS

Thank you for volunteering to quilt to commemorate these 70,273 people who were so callously and casually murdered. Your help is vital to the success of The 70273 Project. Here are a few things you might find helpful:

- Binding or facing (your choice) and backing fabric must be white. Bleached muslin is fine, and there's no need to purchase the 108" wide fabric (seams are okay). There's also no need to prewash the fabric.
- Use a thin-loft white batting not puffy crafting batting and not the off-white/ivory color. If you prefer, you can use 100% cotton flannel or even a piece of muslin as a batting.
- Use white thread in the top needle and the bobbin or slightly off-white thread if that matches the color of the majority of the blocks on the front.
- Be creative on the quilting designs, but please enhance the red Xs of each block by not stitching over them.
- Quilters differ on how "clean" the backs of their quilts need to be. Since these are going to be hung on walls the majority of their lives, don't worry about burying any threads.
- The Piecer and I should have already checked the block numbers and count, but if the quilt top comes to you with id (number) tags still attached to each block, please email me so I can make sure I have all the block numbers used in that quilt top before removing the id tags. (Sometimes piecers don't use all the blocks or make additional blocks, so this is my way of double checking to make sure I have all the correct numbers and quantity of blocks in each quilt.) Once we've confirmed that I have all the info I need, you can remove all id tags and quilt to your heart's content.
- Once the quilting is done and the binding or facing attached, add a 4" hanging sleeve to the back TOP edge of the quilt in a material that is the same as or close to the same as the backing. Please leave a 1" gap between the edges of the sleeve and the edges of the quilt. There's a video on The 70273 Project You Tube channel giving complete instructions.
- If you'll email me when the quilt is finished, I'll create the quilt label and email it to you so you'll have it when you've finished quilting. You print it on fabric and stitch it to the back of the quilt on the lower right-hand corner (if you're looking at the back of the quilt). Please do not catch the label in the binding when you stitch it on. If you are unable to print on fabric, that's no problem at all. I'll print and attach the label when the quilt makes its way back to me.
- I'd love to get photos as you go along as well as of the finished quilt. If you post them in social media, please tag me so I don't miss them. Or you can email them to me your choice, whatever is easiest for you.
- It's **imperative** that you send at least one high resolution photo of the **entire** front of the quilt and one close-up/detail photo of the quilt before shipping it to me. If you snap a

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photo with your mobile phone, do not crop or edit it in any way. And if asked what size you want to send when crafting the email, select "actual size". Please direct all questions, comments, photos, or suggestions to Jeanne@The70273Project.com.

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