

REVISED GUIDELINES FOR SAWAU COMPETITION – 2024

EMBROIDERY MACHINE WORK; APPLISCAPE IN A HOOP

Requirements:

- Maximum size 50cm x 50cm
- Any completed article

Guidelines:

Appliscape is a scene consisting of a number of blocks embroidered in the frame, with applique and embroidery, which are then attached with the embroidery machine or sewing machine, to then depict a scene or story, for example a winter scene, street scene etc.

Appliscape embroidery work are so much fun to make from choosing just the right fabric to mixing and matching designs.

The technique perfected blocks that are stitched in the hoop, are then joined to form a lovely panorama landscape.

You can finish each block in two different ways.

- One is with a satin stitch outline much like freestanding applique
- You can then butt up the blocks “side by side” and zigzag them together, “using an edge joining foot” or zigzag foot.

Use same colour thread as the satin stitch to outline directly on top.

It creates a glass window effect.

There are queries about the abovementioned appliscape guidelines.

1. This article **MUST** be done on an **embroidery machine**. Only the joining and finishing of the article can be done on the sewing machine.
2. A completed article must be presented, not the embroidery only.
3. Size of the finished article is maximum 50cm x 50cm.
4. No mounted articles may be entered.
5. This appliscape **MUST** be done in a number of blocks, which will be joined later.
6. The appliscape must be done on an **embroidery** machine in a frame.
7. This means that you **cannot embroider one single scene** once off in a large embroidery frame, and only do the glass window effect later on top the finished embroidery.

8. If you decide to do a large scene, it must be embroidered in separate smaller blocks, and the challenge is to do perfect fits where the blocks are joined.
9. The “scape” in appliscape means scene. Therefore, select your design that gives a scenery or story when finished. Geometrical designs resulting in abstract pictures does not qualify at all.
10. An ongoing theme or story or panoramic scene must be depicted.
11. The internet has lots of examples like winter scenes, street scenes etc. You can also do blocks with an ongoing theme, that results in a story told
12. The guidelines are very clear that the finished article must give a glass window effect.
13. Designs with slanting lines across the picture, are therefore wrong. It must be like looking through a window at a picture.

Have a look on the internet at “Secrets of Embroidery”, where you will find lots of information and tips.