~ ON THE ROAD ~

2018 Road To California Bag Challenge
$1,200 in Cash Prizes & Merchandise
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Objective
Bags, totes, purses, caddies, and other small projects are a very popular and fun alternative to traditional quilt making. With this challenge, we wish to continue to integrate bags into the larger circle of quilt competition.

About the Challenge
- For the purpose of the challenge, a bag is defined as a container made of flexible material, which can be carried and includes both an opening and a method of securing the contents.
- Cash prizes and merchandise totaling $1,200 will be awarded to winners.
- The bag may be any size or style, uniquely designed or made from a pattern, and can include any material, embellishments, hardware, or stabilizers.
- The challenge theme is “On the Road.” Contestants should integrate that theme with their entry.
- Entries will be juried and the winners, along with a few additional selected entries, will be displayed at Road to California's 2018 show.

Prizes
Best of Show: $400 Cash Price from Road to California
Best Use of Materials: $200 Gift Certificate from ByAnnie.com
Best Use of Zippers and Closures: $200 Gift Certificate from ByAnnie.com
Best Use of Hardware & Straps: $200 Gift Certificate from ByAnnie.com
Best Use of Embellishments: $200 Gift Certificate from ByAnnie.com

Contest Rules
1. Make a bag—any size or style—using your own design or a commercial pattern or book. Entrant is responsible for giving appropriate credit to pattern designers, copyright holders, and the maker/quilter of the entry.
2. There is a $10 entry fee for each entry. There is no limit to the number of entries per person.
   Three digital images must be uploaded with each entry:
   a) Front of Bag; b) Back of Bag; c) Interior of Bag (upload this as the close up image).
   NOTE: Do not crop or manipulate your photos in any way other than to crop out backgrounds. All corners of entry must be visible.
3. Entry Packet must be completed and received in the Road to California office after June 15, 2017 and before October 1, 2017. Late entries cannot be accepted.
4. Notification of acceptance will be sent via email by December 1, 2017. Please add info@roadtocalifornia.com to your address book to avoid issues with your spam filter. Further information will be sent to accepted entries regarding shipping information. Any entries not accepted will be notified by December 1, 2017. Acceptance is based on display space. All decisions of the jury and judges are final. Promoters reserve the right to reject any entry. Accepted entries must arrive clean, undamaged, and free of strong odor. Road to California reserves the right not to display an entry if the quality or condition does not meet our standards upon hands-on inspection.
5. Road to California will insure each accepted entry against a major catastrophe from the time we receive the entry until it arrives back to the owner at a value of $200. It is highly recommended that entries over the stated value be appraised and the entrant possess appropriate insurance to cover any damage to the entry while it is in transit and at the 2018 Road to California Show. Every attempt is made to ensure the security of your entry while it is in the possession of Road to California. It is the entrant's responsibility to insure.
6. Winners will be announced at the Road to California's 2018 Conference & Showcase.

How to Enter
Online entry is strongly recommended. Online entry info may be found at https://online.roadtocalifornia.com

Mail in entries should be sent to: Road to CA Bag Challenge, 1160 N Dewey Way Suite A, Upland, CA 91786
Send the following with each entry:
Completed and Signed Entry Form
Non-refundable $10 entry fee in US funds by check (for mail-in entries) or credit card (online entries only)
Three digital images (see above for details)
DO NOT MAIL PHYSICAL BAG WITH INITIAL ENTRY

All entries must be received in our office by October 1, 2017. We cannot accept late entries.