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MORE THE DAY BEFORE

About "More the Day Before"

Immerse yourself in an all-day workshop on Tuesday or Wednesday before the Expo opens. Share in the guidance, artistry, technical advice and inspiration your teacher brings to the classroom.

PLUS...your MDB registration automatically qualifies you for a Value Package, which includes discounted pricing on class sessions, general admission and shopping bag.

Classroom opens at 8:30, instruction begins at 9:00, and your fees includes lunch to carry you through until 5:00.

Wednesday 9/25/2024

Your Body Double: Basic Draping to Fit YOU (MDB)

Joe Vecchiarelli

Discover the art of precision in garment fitting with a unique hands-on experience led by expert fitter and designer, Joe Vecchiarelli. In this immersive draping workshop, you will transcend the limitations of flat patterns and embark on a journey to tailor a three-dimensional masterpiece that perfectly complements your unique three-dimensional figure.

Join Joe as he guides you through the process of transforming your dress form into a personalized bodice sloper – essentially, your body double. The adventure begins with the careful padding of your dress form, ensuring an accurate reflection of your individual contours. With Joe's expertise and hands-on support, you will gain invaluable insights into overcoming the challenges of creating a dress form that authentically mirrors your shape.

Throughout the morning, let your body measurements serve as the foundation for your creation, and benefit from Joe's insightful demonstrations and personalized assistance. This exclusive opportunity promises to be a

priceless investment in crafting a dress form that genuinely looks like your mirror image.

Once your dress form is perfected, it becomes the canvas on which you will drape your very own bodice sloper. Explore the basics of draping as you translate your vision into fabric, giving life to what will soon become your go-to pattern fitting block.

Please refer to the Supply List for specific dress form requirements, ensuring you are well-prepared to embark on this transformative journey of self-expression and tailoring expertise.

Sessions: 8

Materials: \$82.00

Hands-On

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

MDB306X, MDB366X

Creating Jackets The Easy Way (MDB)

Judy Kessinger

Spend the day with Judy and learn all the tips and tricks to making the PERFECT jacket for your lifestyle that fits perfectly and adds zing to your wardrobe. Even beginners can accomplish this simple pattern that fits with your choice of fabric and closure and then finishes with fun details. Zippers are not a mystery, and the way Judy does them is ingenious. This is not about tailoring - - this is a day dedicated to easy fit, creating and designing the kind of jackets that add sophistication to your wardrobe in the easiest way possible. Begin with a discussion of issues most of us face when fitting jackets, and an exploration of ways to solve them. Enjoy a trunk show of the many styles of jackets which reveal her simple, easy approach to the finished garment of your dreams. There will be plenty of time for Q & A.

Perhaps the most important part of the day is when Judy measures each student. With your one-on-one consultation, she draws the solution(s) on a miniature pattern, simple to recreate on your own patterns at home. Fitting issues are discovered, discussed and solved -- right then and there! Play with Judy's garment collection, even try them on (there will be a full-length mirror available) and even, if you bring your camera, take pictures of your favorite styles and colors. End the day with creative design tricks and a quick look at how Judy's basic patterns can be transformed into a wardrobe of wearable, comfortable and attractive clothes.

Sessions: 4

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

MDB304X, MDB364X

Amazing Collage Quilting (MDB)

Judy Phillips

Have you ever wanted to make a Collage Quilt and weren't sure where to start? We have streamlined the process for you! Come prepared to leave with the

beginnings of a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Each of these quilts are unique and take on a personality all their own. The collage technique adds individual artistic license to all quilters, no matter the experience level. Cutting, pasting, and sharing are the foundations of this excellent technique you can repeat over and over. The social interactions of this class are just as fun as learning the technique itself. Judy will leave you in stitches and feeling a new sense of confidence.

Sessions: 9
Materials: \$78.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB305X, MDB365X

Sleep-worthy Serger Jammies! (MDB)

Kathy McMakin
In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac
Let us have a Serger Party.... A Sleepover Party that is! Serge a knit pajama top and a pair of woven cotton pajama pants. This top has a crisscross yoke accented with serger piping and decorative serging. If you add a little length, the top can be worn as a tunic or as a nightshirt. Do you want sleeves, or would you prefer sleeveless? The choice is yours! The coordinating pajama pants (or shorts) have pockets and a piped hem band of companion fabric. Learn different serger stitches, working with knits and wovens, serger piping, gathering, creating an elastic waistband, cover hem, and lettuce edge. Come join me in this all-day class to serge a top and pants that will be the ultimate in comfort!

Sessions: 8
Materials: \$80.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB303X, MDB363X

Stitch & Style: The Quilted Ballcap (BYOF) (MDB)

Jaymi Horne
In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place
Elevate your style and showcase your personality with a one-of-a-kind hat crafted by you! Join our exciting class and master the art of sewing curves while creating a fashionable accessory that's sure to turn heads. Together, we'll embark on a creative journey as we craft quilted fabric, fashion a sleek ball cap, and add a personalized touch with embroidered patches.

Learn essential techniques that will not only enhance your hat-making skills but also empower you to create custom headwear for every member of your family. From stitching perfect curves to adding unique embellishments, this class offers a wealth of skills and inspiration.

Whether you're a seasoned crafter or new to the world of sewing, this class is designed to spark your creativity

and leave you with a stylish hat that reflects your individuality. Don't miss this opportunity to make a statement with your accessories and unleash your inner fashionista!

Sessions: 8
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB301X, MDB361X

Quilted Couture: Crafting a Unique Jacket from a Quilt (BYOF) (MDB)

Ellen Murabito
In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place
Join the Upcycle Lady for a creative adventure as we transform a quilt into a trendy jacket! In this hands-on workshop, you'll gain valuable skills in reading and assembling PDF paper patterns. Ellen will teach you how to lay out pattern pieces on your quilt for optimal use of 'yardage,' ensuring every inch counts. With guidance from the Upcycle Lady, you'll learn to expertly cut and sew your quilt into a chic and stylish jacket. Don't miss this opportunity to repurpose your quilt into a wearable statement piece!

Students should bring a thrifted quilt (a quilt you own or a 2-sided blanket is okay too!) to upcycle. Ideal quilts will be thin (3/8" or less is ideal), straight bound edges (no scallops), finished (not just a quilt topper), minimal to no damage, have a non-directional print, with binding or edges in good condition. FOR SIZING: XS-MED - Full size quilt L-3X - Queen size required. (See size chart in pattern to determine your size and quilt requirements.) NOTE: This project also requires quite a bit of bias binding; i.e., 15 yds of SINGLE FOLD .875" bias binding in coordinating color. If you want to take your upcycling a step further, create your own bias binding in a coordinating cotton prior to class! **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 8
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB302X, MDB362X

Custom Windows in a Day (MDB)

Pam Damour
Join Decorating Diva, Pam Damour, to create a one-of-a-kind window treatment for your home. Pam will share her critical-step process for designing and cutting. Learn the fundamentals professional interior decorators use, plus tips for board mounting and installation. Class kits will include enough quality home décor fabric to make a single window top treatment. This is a non-machine class, but you will have limited use of sewing machines to baste the fabric together. After class you can apply Pam's formula and techniques learned to make custom window treatments of any size for every window in your space.

Sessions: 8
Materials: \$47.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB300X, MDB360X

Thursday 9/26/2024

Incredible Ice Dye (BYOF)

Jessica Kaufman

Have you experienced the captivating world of ice dyeing? Prepare to be positively addicted as you witness the magic unfold! Ice dyeing involves applying safe, easy-to-use fiber-reactive dye powders over ice, resulting in ethereal, intricate, and completely unique color effects that are never the same twice.

As the colors split and fissure due to the slow melting water, your fabric will transform, showcasing watercolor-like effects ranging from subtle to psychedelic. Whether you choose to overdye colored fabric or start with a clean white canvas, the results will leave you breathless. Every square inch tells a different story!

This class is an exploration of creativity. Work with knits or wovens to create multiple smaller projects like napkins and fat quarters or delve into larger projects such as yardage, aprons, or garments. The process works wonders on plant fibers like cotton, linen, rayon, bamboo, hemp, and more. We provide everything you need for the class, except for what you want to dye. Dyeable t-shirts, assorted garments, and fabrics will be available for purchase.

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Take your projects home to cure and washout, armed with detailed instructions for future creations. For added convenience, Jessica offers an optional service to launder your pieces and ship them to you, ready to use or wear.

Join us in this enchanting class and unlock the secrets of ice dyeing—where every creation is a masterpiece!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 5X, B21

Enhance Your Creativity

Michelle Umlauf

Get ready to get your hands dirty and let it all go as we dive into a world with no right or wrong, just endless creative opportunities waiting for your unique touch.

In this class, discover the joy of creating whimsical, abstract masterpieces that will surprise you. See that stabilizers are not just for machine embroidery as we manipulate them in unconventional ways, adding color and texture to craft one-of-a-kind fabric. These techniques are addictive, and the class is a blast for everyone, regardless of perceived artistic skills. Join us for an unforgettable experience where the unconventional becomes extraordinary, and your creativity knows no limits!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$12.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 7X, B23

Stabilizer Savvy

Tamara Evans

Every embroiderer, whether a novice or a seasoned veteran, has, at some point, been plagued by puckered designs, outraged by skewed outlines, and frustrated by fabric shadow-through. Learn simple, successful methods to combine fabric, designs, and stabilizers for picture perfect results. We will work through the most common causes of embroidery errors and how to avoid them. Gain confidence and control of the embroidery process. In the rare case that a test stitch-out is necessary, learn how to make it quick and effective. Attendees are invited to bring a friend's problem project to class for analysis.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
A 2X

Six Serger Techniques You NEED To Know!

Pam Damour

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Join this comprehensive workbook class where you will explore six essential serger techniques. Gain a deeper understanding of your serger and acquire valuable skills that will enhance your overall sewing proficiency. Master the art of using your serger to:

- Insert zippers the easy way
- Make piping fun & fast
- Achieve various hemming techniques
- Flawless Flatlocking
- Rolled Hems
- Learn the secret to creating a beautiful blanket binding on a 4-thread serger.

Throughout the class, you will gain insights into the inner workings of your serger. Conclude the class by celebrating your serger success. You will leave possessing a toolkit of valuable techniques that will not only enhance your serging capabilities but also contribute to your overall sewing proficiency.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$42.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 8X, B24

Vinyl Bags on Your Serger

Kathy McMakin

In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac

Don't you love a bag or project pouch that you can see-through! Make a small and large version of this bag using vinyl. These zippered, see-through, "I can't have enough of these" pouches are such fun to serge while learning to work with vinyl, insert zippers and box bottoms and tops!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$25.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 9X, B25

Autumn Home Tea Towel

Amy Henley

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

Tempted to try machine embroidery? A homey autumn tea towel from Kimberbell is the perfect introduction. With an experienced teacher as your guide, you will start by using Kimberbell's Clear Blue Tiles to mark the tea towel for a decorative stitched border. Then learn how to center a design and basic techniques like applique as you stitch HOME with a classic pumpkin of rich velveteen or a jack-o-lantern face for Halloween. The pumpkin becomes dimensional with flexi foam and a bit of applique glitter. Kit includes all supplies for one tea towel, plus a USB with both designs, in all file formats, for more stitching at home. Thread and stabilizer will be provided in class by Sulky.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A10X, B26

Foot Feats: Two Feet, 12 Techniques

Jill McCloy

In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place

Unleash the potential of your sewing machine with our *Foot Feats* workshop, where we explore the versatility of

the 7-hole cord foot and the braiding foot. These couching feet may seem similar but offer unique capabilities that, when combined, open the door to a world of creative stitching possibilities.

Dive into a hands-on experience as you play with an array of threads, fibers, fabrics, and trims to create samples showcasing over a dozen techniques—both practical and decorative. From elastic shirring to heavy-duty gathering, elastic casings to smocking by machine in two distinct ways, this class is designed to broaden your stitching horizons. Discover how these techniques can make your everyday tasks faster and easier than ever before.

Feats include:

- Elastic shirring
- Heavy-duty gathering
- Elastic casings
- Smocking by machine *two ways*
- Couching effects with various threads and fabric strips
- Split couching
- Corded entredeux
- Twin needle couched ribbon
- Padded satin stitches
- Mini-ric rac
- Middy braid

And as a bonus, a surprise feat awaits!

Join us for *Foot Feats* and elevate your sewing prowess by mastering 12 techniques that will not only enhance your stitching repertoire but also add a touch of creativity to your everyday projects. You do not want to miss out on this opportunity to make sewing faster, easier, and more exciting!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A11X, B27

Play Date with Template Quilting

Donelle McAdams

In the Janome Studio sponsored by The Quilters Studio

Join us for a Play Date using templates for quilting. No free motion or template quilting experience needed. You will walk through the basics and then play with the templates to experience the ease of quilting with them. You will also be shown how to use the templates and accessories (all provided for use in class) to make designs for quilt blocks, borders and more. Do not miss this opportunity to get your hands on quilting templates. Learn from a National Educator who loves teaching the basics of template quilting! Take the opportunity to try it before you buy.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A12X, B28

The Yoke's On You!

Jim Suzio

Unleash Your Style: From Ordinary to Extraordinary! Elevate the back yoke of your standard dress shirt with bold flair. Join us for a transformative session where we dive into creative tips and techniques to turn every garment into a standout piece. Plus, learn how to repurpose leftovers to make coordinating cuffs that complete the look. Do not settle for bland – let Jim help you discover ways to make your creations truly extraordinary!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
A 1

Who Fits the Dressmaker?

Lorraine Henry

So many of us sewists sew alone and we need to fit ourselves. The easiest way to do this is to use the Measurement Method of fitting as we cannot reach our backs easily. And how many of us need different changes on each side of our body? Patterns are made for the right side. When our left side is different from right, we need to know the changes to make for that side. Learn the secrets of a professional dressmaker (*not really secrets, but bits of knowledge that is not found in most of our fitting books*). Learn about measurements not generally taken but make such a difference in the outcome of our alterations! Let this pro dressmaker show you the way you can do it!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
A 3

Quick Points to the Rescue!

Susan Miller

Have you ever been stuck on a project because you cannot find the right matching trim? In this trunk show demonstration, Susan will show you how Quick Points Rulers are HERE to rescue YOU! See how easy it is to make your own continuous trim and embellishments using Janet Platt's Quick Points Rulers. Samples will be shown to discuss the numerous ways to create and apply your own handmade matching trims and embellishments for all types of sewing and quilting projects. Discover how to create your own beautiful custom trims for zippers, garments, towels, pillows, bags, quilt borders, bindings and more. You will also see how easy it is to make your own rickrack in any size with the fabric of your choice! Also included in this inspirational class are Susan's Top Ten pointers to ensure your sewing projects turn out great every time.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
A 4

Fitting a Dress Form to You

Joe Vecchiarelli

Discover the unparalleled efficiency and precision that comes with shaping your garment on a dress form. Dive into the world of seamless adjustments, effortlessly manipulating sizing materials to mirror your unique silhouette in an instant.

Bid farewell to the frustrations of adapting flat paper patterns to the dynamic contours of your body. Witness the magic unfold as a single dress form seamlessly morphs into your personalized body shape within seconds. Acquire invaluable skills that will revolutionize your approach to fitting, ensuring faster, easier, and perpetually accurate results. This class promises to empower you with the mastery of dress form techniques, unlocking a new realm of creative possibilities in your garment-making journey.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
A 6

Thrifting 101: An Upcycler's Guide to How & What to Look for at a Thrift Store

Ellen Murabito

Thrift store upcycling is the hottest trend for sourcing "new fabric" in a more sustainable and earth-friendly way. Join expert Ellen Murabito on a virtual field trip through a thrift store as we explore HOW to shop for secondhand garments and learn WHAT to look for. You will see used garments differently, not for what they are, but for what they can be; then find that the unexpected, imperfect, hidden gems, other thrifters avoid are perfect for upcycle sewing projects! Ellen's experience will help you bring the discarded pieces back to life, to be RE-LOVED and RE-USED for years to come. In this class, we'll go over everything you need to know before heading to your local thrift shop, unique points to consider when upcycling garments, tips for staying on track while thrifting, plus resources that should be on every upcycler's list. See before and after examples to spark inspiration for your own secondhand masterpiece!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
B17X

The Magic of Quilting In-the-Hoop

Tamara Evans

Whatever the size, an embroidery machine is an effective and efficient tool for getting those special projects quickly finished with perfection. Learn which designs are most successful for custom quilting or corner-to-corner coverage and which need caution. Find out how to measure and scale designs to fit borders, blocks, and sashing precisely using a simple math

formula. Discover the secrets for precise fit and perfect placement, hassle-free hooping and managing the quilt bulk. Learn the fine points of using templates for precision placement. Explore which machine features are the quilter's best tools. Up your embroidery and quilting skills, no hand/eye coordination required!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
B18X

Pants! Do You See What I See?

Lorraine Henry
Unlock the secret to perfect-fitting pants! Ever find yourself scrutinizing your backside in the mirror, frustrated by the wrinkles in your pants? Pants fitting can be a challenge, but fear not—we have the solutions! Join us as we dive into the nuances of pant fitting, exploring the reasons behind those troublesome wrinkles. Discover how different shaped bodies need different shaped patterns, especially in the back, and gain invaluable insights into analyzing your buttocks and legs for a tailored pattern adjustment. Learn the art of pattern modification for a flawless fit, including addressing prominent abdomens without introducing more wrinkles. Say goodbye to fitting woes and hello to pants that embrace your unique silhouette!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
B19

Awesome Athleisure: Wear it Anywhere

Kathy Ruddy
The fashions of athleisure -- yoga pants, leggings, and tops -- are now part of our everyday wardrobes. And they are fun to sew. Learn to make the most fashionable and wearable versions as you explore the components with an expert. Kathy, an experienced fitter who loves to work with knits of all types, will show you how to choose and size patterns for four-way stretch fabrics with different negative ease factors, and how to resource fabrics and notions, including Filpar elastic from Italy. Explore seaming techniques for both sewing machines and sergers to make flattering and fun athleisure wear, too. Learn how to copy yoga yokes from finished garments and fit them to your leggings for a custom fit. You can even make an extra-long yoke from contrasting compression fabric, then upscale your low-rise pants to the Spanks-style effect high rise pants that smooth and slim your waistline. Finally, learn to make the garments your own by adding details like pockets and zippers to hold your smart phone securely.

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$8.00
Thursday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
B20X

There is More to Sleeves Than Meets the "EYE"

Lorraine Henry

Arms EYE (*armscye that is!*) Some arms are heavier in the back – some need more room in front. Standard cap shapes may not be the best fit for many arms. Some arms are short above the elbow, some are long. Some from elbow to wrist! Forward arm joint anyone?? Learn how to measure these differences. There are multiple figure variations that affect sleeve comfort. Learn what these variations are and see how to alter the sleeve for them. Also learn some *dressmaker secrets* about sewing in a sleeve that will help with sleeve comfort and an overall improved look!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
C37X

Let's Project! Using a Projector to Enhance Your Sewing

Tamara Evans
Projecting patterns onto fabric for cutting is the newest buzz in sewing. In this class, you will learn the money and time saving benefits of using a projector over traditional paper patterns or PDF downloads. Explore affordable equipment options and learn how easy it is to set up a projector in this class. We will dive into the process of setting up and calibrating your equipment, based on your studio constraints. We will also explore different pattern types, how to use them, and the free software tools available. In short, explore the process to see if a projector is a beneficial option for your sewing studio. This class includes a printed handout with references and other valuable information.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
C35X

Sew Smart: Enhance Your Craft with Proper Sewing Machine Feet

Linda McGehee
The assortment of Sewing Machine Feet available for every machine on the market is enormous! There are feet to make many tasks so much easier. You can sit up straight in your chair to work on projects without hovering over the needle with bent shoulders when you use the appropriate foot for the task. The proper foot can make you look good when you are sewing on dark fabric at midnight! Learn about Linda's favorite feet to make the task a breeze. Accomplish many techniques that seemed impossible, with perfection, when you sew with the correct feet.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
C36X

Getting to Know Your Serger

Kathy McMakin
When sewists talk about sergers do you feel like you need a translator? Upper loopers...lower loopers... chain loopers...differential feed...five needles.... WHAT??? You have got to be kidding! Kathy will start at

the VERY BEGINNING, explaining the ins and outs of sergers and why we love them so. As she does, she'll introduce all the critical, we-use-them-over-and-over techniques: starting and stopping seams, handling corners and curves and serging on knits; how to create lettuce edges and gathers; using flatlock, cover stitch, chain stitch and more. Suddenly you'll understand the love affair so many of us have with their sergers!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
C33

Temari: A Special Gift of Friendship

Jill McCloy

Embark on a creative journey with Temari, where the name itself, *meaning hand ball*, encapsulates the simplicity and beauty of this traditional art form. Immerse yourself in the enchanting world of Temari as you witness the allure of numerous artistic variations. Guided by Jill, you will craft a timeless masterpiece using a traditional base of rice hulls (provided), intertwined with yarn and thread.

In this hands-on experience, precision takes the lead as metallic thread effortlessly divides your creation into sections, later adorned with the elegant touch of pearl cotton. The magic lies in the simplicity of the technique, yielding results that are nothing short of lovely.

While stitching, unravel the fascinating history of Temari, adding depth and context to each careful stitch. As your masterpiece takes shape, Jill will share several display ideas to showcase your beautiful work.

Join us for an afternoon of relaxation and productivity, where inspiration meets the art of stitching. And here is a little secret – the joy of Temari extends beyond the final stitch, leaving you with a sense of accomplishment and a timeless piece of art to cherish.

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
C39, D55, E71

Bag Design Essentials

Jaymi Horne

Unleash your creativity in this dynamic lecture where you will learn the art of designing your own bags from scratch. Dive into the fascinating process of calculating measurements and determining fabric requirements with expert guidance. Explore a gallery of inspiring samples and let your imagination soar as we use inspirational photos to take you on this unique journey of designing your very own stylish and functional bags. Get ready to transform your ideas into tangible, personalized fashion statements!

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$7.00
Thursday 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
C34

The "Getting To Know My Serger" Pillow

Pam Damour

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Embark on a creative journey as you delve into the world of serger finishing techniques. This hands-on experience will not only enhance your sewing skills but also result in a beautiful pillow adorned with intricate details. Get up close and personal with the serger to craft a piece that reflects your newfound expertise. You will learn how to make pleated trim, piping, serger lace, zipper insertion and more! Embrace the artistry of serging and enjoy the satisfaction of creating something totally unique and impressive!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
C40, D56XY

Understanding the Anatomy of Your Serger

Joyce Keske

In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac

Are you new to sergers or curious about what they can do? In this hands-on class, you will learn a variety of serger techniques; quilt piecing, easy zipper insertion and how to go around corners with piping! You will learn about the different types of serger stitches and when to use them, giving you a better understanding of the serger and all that it can do.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
C41, D57XY

Traditional Dresden Plate Meets Modern Holiday Embroidery

Amy Henley

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

A festive flourish of holly leaves with linework in the background creates this traditional block on a modern embroidery machine with this design from OESD. Working with precut applique pieces, see how quickly and precisely the machine can blanket stitch around each blade. Learn expert embroidery tips and steps to assemble the 10-inch medallion which can be made into a pillow top. The class kit includes the Dresden Holiday thread kit, enough fabric to complete one medallion, plus a USB with the design, in all file formats, to make additional blocks at home for a table runner or even wall hanging.

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$60.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
C42, D58, E74

Sew Your First Dress: A V-Neck Kaftan (BYOF)

Lindsey Johns

In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place

Dreaming of creating your own stylish wardrobe? Start with a stunning V-Neck Kaftan in our beginner-friendly class designed to make your sewing journey fun and rewarding! Join us for a hands-on adventure where you'll learn to sew your very first dress, a chic and comfortable V-Neck Kaftan. Perfect for lounging at home or stepping out in style, this versatile dress will be a fabulous addition to your wardrobe.

In this engaging workshop, you'll master essential garment making skills, including cutting fabric for garments with precision, making easy pattern alterations to achieve the perfect fit, sewing a neat and professional hem, crafting a beautiful V-neckline. With step-by-step guidance from an experienced instructor, you'll gain confidence in your abilities and discover the joy of garment sewing. By the end of the class, you'll walk away with a gorgeous handmade dress and the skills to tackle future sewing projects with ease. Don't miss this opportunity to sew your way to style and kickstart your garment making journey in the most fashionable way possible. **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$12.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
C43, D59XY

Fit and Flatter: Using a Dress Form to Achieve Perfectly Fit Fashions

Joe Vecchiarelli

We judge a pattern by its fit and whether it flatters our figure. Do you find that commercial patterns are created with one body shape in mind, and that shape is never yours? Get the most out of your store-bought patterns by learning Joe's techniques that will help you alter any pattern to fit and flatter your body shape, using a dress form. Learn what adjustments you can make to any commercial pattern that has a "horrible" fit on your body shape. Those badly fit garments will be a thing of the past and soon become flattering to your figure when you implement Joe's techniques. You will be working hands-on in this team challenge. At the end of class Joe will announce which team's dress form has achieved the best fitting pattern. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team!

Sessions: 2
Hands-On

Thursday 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM
C38, D54

"Everything But The Sewing Machine" Tote

Sara Robitaille

In the Janome Studio sponsored by The Quilters Studio

"Everything but the Sewing Machine" Tote is the perfect solution to organize all your sewing needs! This case is a must-have if you take sewing classes, like to sew and travel or attend expos where you need to bring everything, because who would not bring their whole dang sewing room along if they could? Now you can!!! All your stuff can now be tucked away in an organized (or not so organized) fashion in the 5-drawer case with an adjustable strap so you can carry it in your hand, on your shoulder or not carry it at all by using the trolley sleeve! Between all that and the super handy mesh pockets, I think we have thought of everything!!! Well, everything but the machine!

Sessions: 5
Materials: \$105.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Note: There will be a class break from 4pm to 6pm.
C44, D60, F92XX

Sergers: Cover & Chain

Kathy McMakin

While you never really know what you'll see in Kathy's classroom, you can count on learning lots! And when it comes to sergers, she has much to share. Learn how to use the cover and chain stitch functions on the serger, the accessory feet that really make them sing and leave with the confidence that you *CAN* get more out of your serger than ever before. Discussion and how-to tips include techniques for gathering, hemming on knits, coverstitch pintucks, shadow work, decorative quilting, meandering, all sorts of innovative embellishing techniques and practical construction methods.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
D49

What the Vinyl?!

Amanda Gerard

Printed and Clear and Jelly, oh my! So many different types of vinyl and so many projects to use them on, what is the difference? Learn the differences between some of the most popular vinyl types and the best uses for them. In this engaging session, you will learn the art of selecting the right needles and threads tailored to each type of vinyl, ensuring your projects come to life with precision. Uncover the secrets to choosing the perfect vinyl for specific projects, and master the fine adjustments needed for your machine settings to seamlessly work with these materials. Whether you are a seasoned seamstress or just starting your vinyl journey, this class promises to demystify the choices and empower you with the knowledge to confidently embark

on a multitude of vinyl projects. Let us explore, create, and elevate your projects with the perfect vinyl for every occasion!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM
D53XY

Floriani Software Symposium

Drea Boucher-Goodine

This one-of-a-kind software class promises an exciting interactive lecture-demo experience where everyone will be successful, and there's no tech knowledge required! Attendees will work together with a team to create new embroidery designs right in class; and will learn to use Floriani FTCU and Fusion software that works with all machine formats and types. This class covers the benefits of editing in software versus editing in your machine, and how to get professional quality results for existing and new embroidery designs. Each attendee will also take home educational materials to continue learning even after class ends!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
D50

Blockprint Brilliance: DIY Batiks

Jessica Kaufman

Embark on a journey into the intricate world of batik with a unique perspective from an American artist who honed their skills under a 5th generation woodblock batik master in Gujarat, India. Join us for an enlightening experience where you will learn about the artistry of the blocks themselves, witness a demonstration on using them to print repeated designs in beeswax on cotton fabric, and receive a quick lesson on immersion dyeing with fiber-reactive dyes.

This colorful and culturally rich lecture promises to ignite your passion for creating your own batik fabric. Our instructor, Jessica Kaufman, owner of WAXON Batik & Dye Studio in Asheville, NC, specializes in classes and workshops in fabric dyeing. She teaches batik classes year-round in her studio.

As a bonus, indulge in a unique experience at the instructor's trunk show, featuring her available one-of-a-kind fabrics dyed by hand in Asheville, *available for purchase after class*. Take home a piece of the vibrant artistry and skills imparted during this captivating lecture. Uncover the secrets of batik and explore the endless possibilities of fabric dyeing with an artist dedicated to preserving and sharing this timeless craft.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM
D51XY

Fast & Easy Projects to Finish in Under 1 Hour!

Linda McGehee

Where does the time go? Do you want projects that can be completed in a short amount of time that look like you spent hours? Quick and easy are the terms I've been hearing. So, let's venture into the world of quick making some simple items that are useful to any age. Whether using the sewing machine, serger or embroidery machine, you'll find these projects fun to make. Many projects require fat quarters or leftover fabrics from other projects. You will be surprised at what you can accomplish in 1 hour.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
D52

Knits for the Absolutely Terrified

Pattie Otto

Racks are filled with them, as are your closets and drawers. Knits are everywhere, so why aren't you sewing with them? A little hesitant? Palms a bit sweaty? Admit it. You're secretly terrified of sewing with knits. Put all your fears to rest during this fun and confidence-building class filled helpful information. Besides advice on how to select the right knit for your project, you'll also get layout and cutting pointers and super quick construction tips. You'll be amazed at how easy it really is to work with knits.

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$22.00
Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
E65

Notions, Gadgets and Hacks

Judy Phillips

Finding the latest and greatest notions and gadgets to make the most of our sewing and quilting experience is fun! It also makes our craft so much more enjoyable. But more important is understanding how to use them. In this lecture we will go through many products on the market to help elevate our sewing and quilting to a new level and give us the best finished projects possible.

Sessions: 1
Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
E66

Sewing Hacks for a Professional Look

Jim Suzio

There is a difference between "Home Made" and "Hand Made" when it comes to garment sewing. Jim will share some of his best sewing secrets to put an end to "Home Made." He will discuss how to make an invisible zipper installation look flawless, make any zipper invisible (*without the hand work*), create a perfect double welt pocket on most any garment, so you too can have professional looking garments.

Sessions: 1

Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
E68

Master the Art of Hand Embroidery (BYOF)

Michelle Umlauf

Embark on a journey to Master the Art of Hand Embroidery and elevate your skills, whether you are a beginner or seeking to expand your knowledge. This vibrant class introduces a systematic approach, guiding you through essential techniques to build muscle memory before you even pick up your needle. Watch the learning curve shrink as you gain confidence and readiness to tackle advanced embroidery stitches.

Immerse yourself in this hands-on experience, where you will have ample time to practice while Michelle shares insights on thread, needles, thimbles, hoops, and threaders. Uncover the crucial differences and discover what suits your project best. This is not just a class; it is a journey into creating your own embroidery designs.

Explore the systematic approach to stitching and learn diverse methods for transferring your designs. Walk away from this class feeling refreshed, inspired, and confident, armed with the knowledge of what your project needs and what fits your unique style.

Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$16.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
F87XX

The Boston Cardigan

Amanda Carita

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

The Boston Cardigan invites you to embrace both the past and the present, combining classic elements with a modern sensibility. Its seamless blend of comfort and style reflects the essence of a city that reverses tradition while embracing innovation. Discover the embodiment of New England elegance and savor the versatile sophistication that only the Boston Cardigan can provide. Learn how to create this cardigan entirely on a serger to achieve a professional look. This will be your new go-to sweater when looking to add another layer for those chilly fall evenings.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$52.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F88X, G104

3 Yard Serger Quilt

Joyce Keske

In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac

Unlock the world of efficient quilting with the 3 Yard Serger Quilt! In this hands-on workshop, you will learn how to achieve an accurate ¼-inch seam on a serger to streamline the quilting process. With just three yards of coordinating fabric, you will create a stunning and cozy lap size quilt while mastering the art of piecing on your serger.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$48.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F89X, G105

Scrappy Pumpkin Trio (BYOF)

Jill McCloy

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

Experience the joy of autumn crafting with our adorable Scrappy Pumpkin Trio! Dive into a world of creativity as we explore a medley of techniques to bring these charming pumpkins to life. From layered raw edge appliqué to dimensional leaves and vines, each step is filled with excitement. Add your personal touch with split backgrounds and intricate free-motion detailing or opt for a simpler approach with a fabric pen. Finish off with a dash of embroidery floss hand quilting to make your trio shine. Join us for a delightful crafting journey and create a whimsical fall accent piece that's bound to bring smiles! **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$14.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F90X, G106

Pocket Powerhouse: The Smartphone Wallet Revolution

Linda McGehee

In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place

Learn how to construct a wallet designed to hold your basic everyday electronics. This special wallet will also hold your other essentials such as credit cards, ID, and cash. RFID fabric will even be included.

To start, we'll guide you through cutting and assembling the components of your wallet, including the two zipper pockets for your cell phone and your cards, ID, and cash. Our expert instructors will teach you how to incorporate RFID cloth into your design to protect your sensitive information from electronic theft.

Next, we'll show you how to finish the edges of your wallet with bias binding, adding a professional touch to your project. Then, we'll attach a loop of webbing with a swivel hook closure, providing a secure way to carry your wallet on your belt or as a wristlet.

But the fun doesn't stop there! In our class, you'll have the opportunity to personalize your Cell Phone Wallet with thread embellishment, adding unique designs and decorative stitches to make it truly one-of-a-kind.

By the end of the class, you'll walk away with a finished project that's not only practical and functional but also a reflection of your own creativity and style. So join us and embark on a fun-filled journey of sewing and creativity, and leave with a Cell Phone Wallet that's uniquely yours!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$32.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F91X, G107

Friday 9/27/2024

Pattern Perfection: Decoding Sewing Patterns for Fit, Flair & Fabulousness

Lindsey Johns

Ready to take the guesswork out of garment making and ensure every piece you sew is a perfect match for your style and preferences? In this enlightening class, you'll uncover the secrets to selecting sewing patterns that not only fit like a dream but also align with your unique sense of style and taste. Led by an experienced instructor, you'll embark on a deep dive into the anatomy of sewing pattern covers/listings, learning to decipher the wealth of information they contain including fit, design elements, and personal aesthetic preferences. From analyzing the images to identifying potential fit issues before you even pick up your scissors, you'll gain the knowledge and confidence to make informed decisions about your next sewing project. By the end of the class, you'll be empowered to approach pattern selection with clarity and confidence, ensuring that every garment you create is a true reflection of your style and personality.

Sessions: 1
Friday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
H113X

Dive into Color: Shibori Magic with Fiber Reactive Dyes (BYOF)

Jessica Kaufman

Break out of the indigo-only box and immerse yourself in the world of Shibori dyeing! In this hands-on class, you will learn how to clamp, bind, fold, or twist fabric to create a myriad of variations on traditional Shibori patterns. The best part? We are using easy, effective, low-impact fiber-reactive dyes, allowing you to unleash your creativity with an array of colors.

This immersion-bath class goes beyond the basics. We will submerge our projects in an activated dye bath, and you will take them home in bags to wash out 24 to 48 hours - about 2 days - later. Whether you are keen on

traditional one-color effects or ready to go wild with multicolor projects, this class offers the freedom to experiment.

Note: *The process works wonders on plant fibers like cotton, linen, rayon, bamboo, hemp, and more. We provide everything you need for the class, **except for what you want to dye.** You will have time to create multiple smaller projects like napkins and fat quarters or dive into 1-2 larger projects like yardage, aprons, or garments. Dyeable t-shirts, assorted garments, and fabrics will be available for purchase.*

Take your projects home to cure and washout, armed with detailed instructions for future creations. For added convenience, Jessica offers an optional service to launder your pieces and ship them to you, ready to use or wear.

Join us in this Shibori adventure and turn fabric into a canvas for your imagination!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
H117X, J133

Tools, Tips and Tricks Every Sewer Needs

Donelle McAdams

Just when you thought you knew all the latest sewing hacks that existed - along comes an educator that introduces new ways to use what you already have, new tools to make your job easier and tips and techniques that will save you a lot of time and frustration. **DO NOT MISS THIS LECTURE/DEMO!**

Get the answers to some of your most pressing sewing questions including which threads and notions to use. Gain knowledge of significant sewing secrets from an expert with years of sewing experience. This fast-paced class will have you saying I WISH I HAD KNOWN THAT SOONER! and WHY DID I NOT THINK OF THAT? Experience that AH-HA moment for yourself and take your sewing skills to the next level.

Sessions: 1
Friday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
H114X

Three Super Simple Serger Bags

Pam Damour

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Join this dynamic workshop where you will create three stylish bags exclusively using a serger. Designed to be completed in just three hours, you will not only produce beautiful bags but also gain valuable skills applicable to a range of projects. Start your bag-making journey with the Easy Binding Bag, move on to the One-Sided Zipper

Bag and conclude with the Melody Make-up Mesh Bag. All from the book by Pam, *Hold Everything*. Explore three different methods for inserting zippers and gain insights into choosing the right stabilizers for optimal results. Pam will share her expertise, helping you achieve the desired results in terms of structure and durability. Leave the class not only with three beautiful bags but also armed with the knowledge and skills to apply these techniques to a myriad of future projects.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$32.00
Hands-On
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
H120X, J136

Inspiring Serger Confidence

Kathy McMakin
In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac
Intimidated? Fear not! The serger is your friend! It is the perfect companion for your sewing machine, as it always makes you look like a professional (even if you are not). Knowing your serger, what it can do and how to do it will take your sewing to a whole new level. Learn how a serger works, tension settings, stitch lengths, cutting widths, differential feed, when to have your cutter in and out of work, needle positions, basic stitches for construction, decorative stitches for embellishing and finishing and specialty stitches used in construction, embellishing and finishing, and finally troubleshooting. When you maximize your serger's potential, you maximize your own, too!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$15.00
Hands-On
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
H121X, J137

Quilt Magic: In-the-Hoop

Tamara Evans
In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place
Unlock the Magic: Your embroidery machine becomes the ultimate ally in piecing your quilt to perfection! If you have tasted the joy of in-the-hoop piecing, get ready to elevate your skills with digitized precision and straightforward sewing. Explore the art of designing your own blocks effortlessly—no software required! Experience the thrill of creating eight flawless half-square triangles, done efficiently in-the-hoop without measuring. Using Tamara's mix-and-match designs, learn to combine them to design unique blocks. Walk away from the class with two completed blocks of your own design, and witness how piecing can be both precise and entertaining like never before!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
H122X, J138

Foundation Paper Piecing with Legit Kits: Hazy Hills Central

Jaymi Horne
In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place
Continue to elevate your Foundation Paper Piecing skills in the second quilt in a series of our class exclusive Hazy Hills series workshop! Dive into the revolutionary block approach by Legit Kits and gain invaluable tips and tricks for frustration-free sewing - no curves or Y seams required! Your focus will be on the class-exclusive Hazy Hills Central, the second of a three series mini quilt. By the end of the class, you will leave with the confidence to complete the quilt on your own. Foundation Paper Piecing can be both easy and enjoyable! Hazy Hills Central, composed of 49 shades of Kona solids, packs a mountainous impression in a small package. This class not only guides you through kit organization but also leads you step by step through piecing your blocks and assembling them into a stunning 15 x 20-inch work of art. What is more, the piece you create can stand alone or be integrated into two additional Legit Kits (not included in class kit) to construct a 15 x 60 masterpiece.

This is the second quilt in the 3 min-quilt series, but can also be a stand alone quilt.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$61.00
Hands-On
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
H123X, J139

The Custom Sleeve Pattern and Balancing the Armhole

Joe Vecchiarelli
Master the Art of Sleeve Crafting: In this immersive class led by Joe, you will bid farewell to ill-fitting sleeves and unlock the secrets to drafting your perfect sleeve pattern. Say goodbye to sleeves that are too big or too small – with Joe's expert guidance, you will create a customized pattern tailored to your unique measurements. This hands-on experience covers the entire journey from precise measuring to pattern drafting and meticulous adjustments.

But the journey does not end there. Once you have crafted your fundamental well-fitting sleeve, Joe will unveil the versatility it holds. Learn how to use this foundation as a starting point for designing any sleeve style you desire. Dive deep into the intricacies of sleeve and bodice harmony as Joe takes you through the interplay between the two. Challenge the conventional notion of symmetrical armholes; Joe prompts you to ponder, is your body truly the same front and back?

Discover the art of balance as Joe walks you through the steps to harmonize your sleeve pattern, ensuring a flawless fit in the armhole area while preserving the freedom of movement you crave. Elevate your sleeve game and unleash your creativity with this comprehensive class on sleeve pattern drafting and balancing for an incredibly beautiful and functional fit.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$43.00
Hands-On
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
H118X, J134

Pumpkin Buddy

Amanda Gerard
In the Janome Studio sponsored by The Quilters Studio
Create a one-of-a-kind trick or treat companion with a cute pumpkin bucket head and a stuffed doll body. With a little bit of stuffing, fabric, and magic, our experienced instructors will guide you step-by-step through the process of sewing your own unique Pumpkin Buddy. Perfect for adding a personal touch to your Halloween festivities or as a unique gift! Don't miss out on this creative and fun experience!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$57.00
Hands-On
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
H124X, J140

Pattern Alteration Boot Camp

Lorraine Henry
In a perfect world, all figures would be alike – in perfect form. In the real world, we come in all shapes and sizes. Learn what comes first in selecting the right size, what measurements you need, conduct measurement analysis to determine where and what to change for a combo pack figure, and much more. Then using half scale practice patterns, we will alter patterns for such figure combinations as a short midriff which requires the pattern to be shortened but a rounded back which requires the pattern to be lengthened. We often find opposing figure variations such as this. Learn the order to make these changes so the fit will be correct.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
H119, J135X

Notions You Can't Sew Without

Kelly Williams
Nothing makes sewing easier and more fun like using the best notion for the job! You will feel like a magician, since all the tasks suddenly become easier – right before your eyes. See the many ways you can add to your sewing pleasure, saving time and delivering excellent results, as we unravel sewing techniques using scissors,

measuring tools, fabric marking tools, straight pins and much, much more! Fall under an enchanting spell with this eye-opening lecture.

Sessions: 1
Friday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
H115

One Pattern, Many Looks: TOPS

Kathy Ruddy
Embark on a creative journey with Kathy as she unveils her innovative methods for crafting stylish tops that not only defy the conventional sewing norms but also promise quicker and more efficient results. Join her in exploring the art of sewing, where she masterfully employs interfacings, bias straight and fusible tapes to elevate your garment-making experience. Discover the joy of seamlessly blending practicality and creativity as Kathy imparts her wisdom, ensuring that every stitch brings you closer to impeccable results. Uncover the secrets behind her technique for sewing perfect corners, adding an extra layer of finesse to your sewing repertoire. Let Kathy guide you through a world where sewing becomes not just a skill but a delightful adventure in fashion creation. Get ready to redefine your sewing journey and enjoy the process of crafting beautiful and effortlessly stylish tops.

Join us on this magical adventure, where you will not only expand your skill set but also learn to create a wardrobe that seamlessly blends comfort and sophistication. After all, in this class, you will learn how to be as comfortable as enjoying a plate of cookies while looking effortlessly chic.

Sessions: 1
Friday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
H116

Unleash Your Creativity: Sewing Pattern Hacking 101

Lindsey Johns
Ready to elevate your sewing game from instruction follower to dream designer? Dive into the exciting world of pattern hacking and unlock endless possibilities for custom creations! In this dynamic class, you'll discover the art of transforming basic sewing patterns into unique masterpieces. From swapping bodices to adding seams, length, or width, we'll explore a variety of creative strategies to customize your garments and breathe new life into your sewing repertoire. Armed with mini versions of generic pattern pieces, you'll have the opportunity to flex your creative muscles and practice your newfound skills in a supportive environment. Say goodbye to cookie-cutter sewing patterns and hello to a world of endless creativity!

Sessions: 1
Friday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
J129

Revitalize Your Wardrobe: An Upcycle Trunk Show

Ellen Murabito

Join the Upcycle Lady in this fun workshop where she will teach you how to breathe new life into old garments! We all have something in our closet that has lost its appeal. Ellen will share her ideas and suggestions for upcycling garments you already own into something new for you to love again! We'll discuss using upcycle techniques to renew a garment, rather than discarding or donating it. Students are encouraged to bring an old, orphaned garment from their own closets to receive a personal consultation on how to renew it so it may be worn for years to come! Keeping our neglected garment orphans out of landfill is the core of what upcycling is all about!

Sessions: 1

Friday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
J130X

Sew Elastic Waistbands Like a Pro

Pattie Otto

Discover the art of crafting effortlessly comfortable and professionally finished elastic waistbands for skirts, pants, and shorts in our expert-led class. Say goodbye to bulk and hello to seamless style as Pattie guides you through foolproof techniques for casing, insertion, and hidden applications. Gain valuable insights into selecting the right elastic types, mastering accurate measurements, precise marking, and expert stitching for waistbands that not only feel great but also look impeccable. Uncover fitting tips that will elevate your garment creations to a whole new level of comfort and sophistication. Join us and redefine the way you approach elastic waistbands, achieving flawless results with every stitch.

Sessions: 1

Materials: \$12.00

Friday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
J131X

Serger 911

Kathy Ruddy

Explore how the serger operates from the inside out as you learn how width is used to improve stitches, how to create a perfect balanced-tension control strip to test your stitches for each new fabric and thread you use, a sequential tension formula that works on any model and with all thread types and five-minute serger pocket that can be added to any pattern. If you have a serger and barely use it, or want to use it with greater proficiency, this class is a fantastic place to start!

Sessions: 1

Friday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
J132

The Bias That Binds

Pattie Otto

An easy alternative to the traditional turned and

topstitched finish, the bias binding is quick and easy to do. Adding color and texture to almost any jacket, it simplifies linings, too, so making reversible jackets a snap. Discuss pattern selection, binding and mitering techniques and some easy variations. Includes a trunk show of samples for inspiration.

Sessions: 1

Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
K145X

Intro to Embrilliance

Joyce Keske

Understand the process of basic digitizing for machine embroidery in this lecture-demo class where you will learn diverse features within the Embrilliance software such as applique, redwork, intricate fill stitches, and lettering techniques to create unique designs. Dive into the world of digitizing as Joyce shows you how easy it is to create stunning, personalized pieces with the power of Embrilliance software. Join us for an exciting journey into the world of digitizing for machine embroidery, where your imagination knows no bounds!

Check out the workshop "Intro to Embrilliance: From Digitized to Stitched Out" to see how the designs created in this class stitch out on the embroidery machine.

Sessions: 1

Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
K146X

Corded Piping for Fine Finishing Detail

Linda McGehee

Sometimes a garment or project needs a little zing to add a spark or complete the look. Corded piping in the right color & size is the solution. Learn how to make corded piping using the correct tools & feet on your sewing machine to make the task easier, quicker & more precise. Use corded piping to build the block, finish the binding or accent the embroidery. Whether finishing a quilt or working on garments, bags & other crafts, corded piping is a solution to fine detail.

Sessions: 1

Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
K147X

Embroidery SOS!

Tamara Evans

Join us as we discuss real-life examples of *embroidery gone bad*, unraveling the contributing culprits and exploring proactive solutions to avoid future mistakes. Engage in a lively session of *Can this stitch-out be saved?* Beginners and seasoned embroiderers alike will learn the ins and outs of troubleshooting embroidery issues, what to blame and how to prevent them. We will explore common problems related to hooping, needles, threads, tensions, speed, digitizing, and stabilizing. We might even bust a myth or two along the way! Walk away

armed with a class handout featuring expert tips and tricks to ensure future embroidery success.

Note: If you have an *embroidery emergency*, feel free to bring it in to class for Tamara's expert advice.

Sessions: 1
Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
K148X

Foot Feats II

Jill McCloy

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

Step into the world of mastering the feet on your sewing machine with *Foot Feats II* – your gateway to a universe of creative possibilities! Unleash the power of classic tucks, pin tucks, flipped tucks, stitch in the ditch for garment sewing and quilting, edge stitching, and the artful joining of ribbons and lace – all with just one foot! But hold on because there is so much more to discover. Meet the dynamic duo of these two *sister feet*, working in harmony to transform your crafting experience. These specialized feet are not bound by the manufacturer's suggestions; instead, they dance to the rhythm of *Jill's foot feats*, making your creations faster, easier, and more accurate than ever before.

Jill, your guide through this exciting journey, knows that learning is an adventure. As you embark on classes filled with innovation and inspiration, Jill encourages you to extract the utmost value from every session. Once you put your samples into a notebook form and send her a photo, she will send you a pattern that will further help you explore these beautiful techniques. Do not just sew; elevate your craft with Foot Feats – where creativity knows no bounds, and every stitch tells a story of skill and artistry.

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
K154X

The Different Uses of African Print Fabric

Tisha Thorne

African Print Fabrics, also known as Ankara fabrics are colorful, vibrant and culturally rich textiles that originate from various African countries. This class aims to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of the cultural significance, how to use these prints, the mean and versatile usage of African Print Fabrics. In this class, participants will learn:

1. Types and Patterns: Discover the diverse array of African Print Fabrics available, from traditional wax prints to contemporary interpretations. Learn about popular patterns, motifs, and their symbolic meanings.

2. Fabric Selection: Gain insights into selecting the right fabric for specific projects or occasions, considering factors such as fabric weight, print or motif size, and intended use.

3. Usage in Fashion: Explore various ways to incorporate African Print Fabrics into fashion designs, including clothing, accessories, and footwear. Learn about traditional garment styles as well as modern fashion trends.

4. Home Decor and Crafts: Explore creative ways to use African Print Fabrics in home decor projects such as pillows, curtains, table linens, and wall hangings. Discover how to integrate these fabrics into craft projects like quilting, upholstery, and bag making.

5. Care and Maintenance: Understand the best practices for washing, drying, and storing African Print Fabrics to preserve their vibrancy and longevity. Learn how to handle delicate fabrics and prevent color fading or bleeding.

6. Cultural Appropriation and Respect: Discuss the importance of cultural sensitivity and respect when using African Print Fabrics, addressing issues of appropriation versus appreciation and ways to honor the cultural heritage behind these textiles.

By the end of this class, participants will have gained the knowledge and confidence to creatively incorporate African Print Fabrics into their fashion designs, home decor projects, and crafts while respecting their cultural significance and heritage. Whether you're a fashion designer, DIY enthusiast, or cultural enthusiast, this class offers valuable insights and inspiration for working with African Print Fabrics

Included in your class kit will be:

- Twenty authentic fat quarter African Print Fabrics. This will be equivalent to a total of five yards of fabric. These prints can be used as a reference guide or swatch booklet. You can also make a medium size project such as the Sew Creative Lounge Patchwork Skirt.
- African Print Guide Sheet (approximately twenty pages).
- Sew Creative Lounge Patchwork Skirt instruction sheet.

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$57.00
Friday 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
K149

Pants for YOU: Personal Fit and Styling

Kathy Ruddy

Create the only pant pattern you'll need for years to come! Measurements and visual keys are the foundation

for creating your own custom pants pattern. Each member of the class will receive a visual fit chart on which Kathy will analyze and record the changes you will be making to your base pattern. Using a single student, she will demonstrate taking correct measurements. As time allows and using one class member's chart, see how to apply personal changes to a pants pattern to create a custom fit block. Apply fit changes with Kathy's guidance, then practice how to use your pattern block to restyle the leg to follow current trends.

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$32.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
K151, L167, M183

Annabeth Raglan Hoodie

Sara Robitaille
In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Get ready to embrace the autumn breeze in style with our ultra-comfortable raglan style hoodie, crafted from luxurious Bamboo French Terry fabric. Join us for this exclusive workshop where we'll guide you through every step of creating your own cozy masterpiece.

In this session, we'll be focusing on crafting the shirt-length version of the hoodie, complete with a lined crossover hood and convenient in-seam pockets—added bonuses to elevate your hoodie game. It's worth noting that this pattern is specially designed for an hourglass figure and offers a relaxed fit for maximum comfort.

Don't worry if it's your first time working with knits or using a serger—we've got you covered! Our expert instructors will be on hand to provide guidance and assistance every step of the way, ensuring a smooth and enjoyable sewing experience for all skill levels.

So, grab your sewing kit and get ready to dive into the world of cozy creations. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a newbie to knit sewing, this workshop promises to be a fun and rewarding adventure. Let's stitch up some warmth and style together!

Class kits are pre-cut, so we will be asking for your measurements and fabric choices prior to the event. Please be prompt so we are able to have your kit prepped in time.

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$77.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
K152, L168, M184

Knit Tee-Top: Serging for Rookies

Kathy McMakin
In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac
Unbelievable! In just a few hours, you can craft a whole knit tee-top – no kidding! We promise it is quick, easy, and looks incredibly professional, all thanks to your trusty serger. Join us for a hands-on workshop where we have chosen a luscious, soft-as-butter knit paired with dyed-to-match ribbing to create the perfect outfit for your child. The best part? All the techniques you will learn can be applied to make stylish tops for older kids and adults, too.

Discover the tricks for serging knits while demystifying the wonders of differential feed. Seamlessly attach a circular neck binding in a snap. Choose to finish the hem with a lettuce-edge for a frilly look or a cover stitch for a more tailored version. Want to add a personal touch? Explore the option to incorporate machine embroidery later.

Watch your project take shape right before your eyes, and by the end of the class, you will be eager to replicate this little knit tee-top in every color. The child's size M will be created in class, and your materials fee includes the pattern for children's sizes XS - XL. Join us for a fun and productive session and leave with the skills to create stylish knit tops for everyone in the family!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$20.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K153, L169XY

Sewing Machine Master Class: Maximizing Your Decorative Stitches

Jim Suzio
In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place
Unlock the full potential of your sewing machine as we unveil a simple yet powerful method to elevate ordinary stitches into extraordinary masterpieces. Bid farewell to disappointment and welcome a new era of sewing excellence with these game-changing techniques. Join Jim and watch your stitching skills soar to unprecedented heights, exceeding even your own expectations! Now is the time to redefine what is possible with every stitch and embark on a creative adventure to take your sewing skills to a new level.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K155, L171XY

Draping Fundamentals: Upper Body

Joe Vecchiarelli
Embark on a transformative journey into the art of draping as you unravel the secrets to achieving the

perfect fit for the human body. Immerse yourself in hands-on experiences that will elevate your skills in draping and patternmaking, including full-bust adjustment. In this comprehensive course, you will create a meticulously draped bodice, both front and back, utilizing a standard dress form. Witness the magic unfold as you seamlessly translate the draped muslin into a refined pattern employing cutting-edge techniques from the garment industry.

Unlock the door to the world of slopers, essential foundations that designers rely on for crafting personalized pattern blocks. Gain invaluable insights into the intricate process of manipulating darts through the art of cutting and spreading, adding an extra layer of sophistication to your craftsmanship. This immersive learning experience is designed to empower you with the expertise needed to master the finesse of draping and patternmaking, setting the stage for your journey into the heart of fashion design.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$26.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K150, L166XY

Dresden Bloom

Judy Phillips

In the Janome Studio sponsored by The Quilters Studio
Traditional Dresden plates are a wonderful way to use up your fabric stash. Learn how to make this spectacular Dresden Bloom wall hanging the effortless way, using printed fusible interfacing from QuiltSmart. This ingenious method allows for curved and/or pointed blades, the choice is yours. Sewing on the lines results in a pucker free beautiful Dresden plate. The rounded edges yield a 13-inch plate, and the pointed edges yield a 14-inch plate. Get creative by combining the curved with the pointed to create a more interesting design. Add a ray of sunshine today!

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$42.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
K156, L172, M188

Know Your Knit Fabrics

Pattie Otto

The alphabet has taken over the world of modern knit fabrics! ITY, DBP, DTY and more all add to the confusion. Names like Ponte de Roma, Performance, Liverpool and Scuba can cause your head to spin. Get to know the fiber, feel and properties of these hi-tech knits and how to sew with them. Pattie will share the best pattern choices as well as needle and threads to use. As always, she has an extensive collection of garments that showcases these beautiful fabrics.

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$17.00
Friday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
L161

From Second-Hand to Sensational: The Art of Refashioning!

Lindsey Johns

Are you ready to breathe new life into forgotten fashion treasures and unleash your creativity like never before? Join Lindsey for an exciting exploration of the transformative world of refashioning, where thrifted finds become your ticket to a truly unique style! In this engaging class, you'll preview captivating before-and-after examples of the instructor's best refashions and witness the magic of creative reinvention firsthand. From quilt coats to denim delights and everything in between, you'll delve into a treasure trove of refashioning possibilities, learning to see potential where others see only castoffs. With samples at your fingertips, you'll be inspired to unleash your inner designer and embark on your own refashioning adventures. By the end of the class, you'll leave brimming with ideas and enthusiasm, eager to hit up the local thrift store and uncover your next fashion masterpiece.

Sessions: 1
Friday 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM
L165XY

The Mighty Mini: A Powerful Tool

Jill McCloy

Why settle for big when you can go mini? Mini quilts are the unsung heroes of the quilting world – they are not just adorable; they are the secret weapon for leveling up your quilting skills!

Learn how a 3-inch nine-patch can become your accuracy superhero. Mini quilts are not just a charming stitch-fest; they are the perfect playground for auditioning fabrics and diving into new techniques. With less time and fewer materials, you will discover the results that reveal your preferred quilting techniques.

Jill's samples are like a quilting smorgasbord, covering everything from classics to pictorial, minimalist to heavily embellished. Indulge yourself in this visual feast where you might just find new interests to spark your creativity. Do not shy away from questions – Jill loves them! Let us dive into a world of mini quilts, new techniques, and most importantly, have a blast with Jill while doing it!

Sessions: 1
Friday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
L162

Fitting Objects That Stick Out Farther: BUSTS

Lorraine Henry

Of course, we will cover busts but also rounded backs. Different curves are often needed but we do not want to change what does not need to change like armscyes,

side seams, or necklines. These changes are easy to do with the seam method of pattern alteration. Learn about darts; their different shapes, uses, how to sew and where they are needed for a good fit. See the ingenious seam method of making changes. So easy to learn and accomplish necessary changes in your patterns. Good Fit can (*and should*) be easy!!

Sessions: 1
Friday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
L163

Stabilizer Savvy

Tamara Evans

Every embroiderer, whether a novice or a seasoned veteran, has, at some point, been plagued by puckered designs, outraged by skewed outlines, and frustrated by fabric shadow-through. Learn simple, successful methods to combine fabric, designs, and stabilizers for picture perfect results. We will work through the most common causes of embroidery errors and how to avoid them. Gain confidence and control of the embroidery process. In the rare case that a test stitch-out is necessary, learn how to make it quick and effective. Attendees are invited to bring a friend's problem project to class for analysis.

Sessions: 1
Friday 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM
L164XY

Intro to Embrilliance: From Digitized to Stitched Out

Joyce Keske

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

Seeing what you digitized stitched out is an important part of the digitizing process. In this hands-on class you will see the designs created in our *Intro to Embrilliance* lecture class come to life in-the-hoop on an embroidery machine! Watch how features used within the software such as applique, redwork, intricate fill stitches, and lettering techniques stitch out before your eyes. Immerse yourself in the world of digitizing as you learn the process to create stunning, personalized pieces with the power of Embrilliance software paired with an embroidery machine. Join us for an exciting journey into the world of digitizing for machine embroidery, where your imagination knows no bounds!

Check out the "Intro to Embrilliance" lecture to see how easily these designs are created in the Embrilliance software.

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$54.00
Hands-On
Friday 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM
L170, M186

Sewing with Specialty Knits

Pattie Otto

Scuba, Ponte de Roma, Leggero, ITY and more! The new knits are fabulous and oh so popular -- but they also have their own construction challenges. Easily handle these specialty knits as you see how to work with different stretch ratios and weights, and how they relate to your garment's needs. Explore the unique properties of these fashion-forward knits as you learn about pattern selection and cutting tips. Includes stabilizing and seaming techniques for professional results every time.

Sessions: 1
Friday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
M177

Pictorial Quilts: Techniques for Creating your own Textile Masterpiece

Jill McCloy

Embark on a journey of creativity with Jill as your guide! From conception to completion, Jill will navigate you through the process of bringing your quilt to life. Be inspired by Jill's mini trunk show, which will spark your imagination and motivate you to dive right in. With a plethora of ideas, tips, and instructions, make sure to bring along your trusty notebook—you'll need it!

Begin by gathering your inspirations: pictures, sketches, fabrics, and tools. Discover the importance of collecting findings, threads/fibers, interfacings, and more. Don't worry if you're not an artist—remember, white out and erasers are our friends, along with templates and sometimes even a frying pan lid!

Delve into the essentials: learn about the 'sweet spot,' differentiate between pictorial and landscape quilts, and master the art of balance. Explore techniques for working with focal points, adding dimension and texture, and thinking outside the box. Jill will show you how to incorporate your existing knowledge and, most importantly, how to have fun creating your very own pictorial quilt.

Sessions: 1
Friday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
M178

Get Boxed! A Tale of Boxing Corners

Amanda Gerard

Ever get tired of your corners not matching up properly? Looking for more consistency in boxing the corners of your bags? Join Amanda as she teaches you how to achieve perfect symmetry with some helpful tips and tricks when it comes to boxing corners. Say goodbye to frustration and hello to flawless boxed corners every time!

Sessions: 1
Friday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
M179

Interwoven Delights: A Fabric Basket Workshop

Jaymi Horne

Get ready to create practical and stylish fabric baskets without a single stitch! Join us for a delightful crafting session where you can select from a variety of included fabric prints and let your creativity soar as you construct useful storage baskets for every corner of your home.

In this class, you'll learn the basics of getting started and master techniques for finishing off your baskets with finesse, including adding handles for convenience. With no sewing required, this is the perfect project for crafters of all levels.

Say goodbye to clutter and hello to organized bliss as you fill your home with these charming fabric baskets. You'll soon find yourself wanting one for every room!

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$22.00

Hands-On

Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

N199X, P215

Introduction to Digitizing with Floriani Software

Drea Boucher-Goodine

Are you an embroidery designer at heart? If you like to personalize embroidery designs through editing, then digitizing is your next creative step. This one-of-a-kind Introduction to Digitizing class promises an exciting interactive lecture-demo with Floriani FTU and Fusion software. Learn how to select and connect basic stitches, explore fill patterns, and what to expect from your first test stitchout. In class you will work with a team to digitize an original embroidery design which will be saved in all file formats for all machine brands. Each attendee will receive educational materials to continue learning how to digitize at home

Sessions: 1

Friday 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

N194X

Hooded Comfort: The Del Mar Dolman

Amanda Carita

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Discover the ultimate in comfort as you create the hooded version of the popular Del Mar Dolman pattern. Amanda will walk you through how to customize your experience by choosing your preferred sleeve and top length, guiding you from pattern grading and cutting, to the completion of a snug and stylish hoodie. Immerse yourself in the fundamentals of sewing knit garments on a serger, ensuring you gain valuable skills. The Del Mar Dolman Top & Hoodie boasts a relaxed fit and dolman sleeves, offering a myriad of options for personalization. Dive into the world of cozy fabric as we craft a perfect hoodie, ideal for embracing the cool vibes of spring days.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$42.00

Hands-On

Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

N200X, P216

Essential Serger Skills

Pam Damour

In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac

Step into the fascinating world of serging with Pam Damour as your expert guide. Discover how much fun and ease serging can bring to your sewing projects. Pam has taken care of everything for you! Your kit will include all the materials and tools you need for the projects. No need for prep -- just dive straight into the serging fun. Learn fundamental serger skills that will stay with you for a lifetime. Engage in a hands-on experience as you create each project. Clear instructions from Pam and live demonstrations ensure that even beginners can participate and enjoy the serging journey. Feel inspired to explore more serger projects on your own. Pam will help you open the door to a world of creative possibilities with your serger.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On

Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

N201X, P217

The Holiday Amaryllis

Jim Suzio

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

A continuation of Jim's "blooming in the hoop series," the Holiday Amaryllis is the second entry in the series where you will not only create a three-dimensional floral design but assemble it in the hoop as well! Once created, it will bloom open for a unique tea light accessory for your holiday enjoyment. As an interactive embroidery design, you will learn that your machine can do more than just embroider a towel.

Attendees will learn Jim's layering technique to create the double-sided petals that will be layered in the hoop to construct the three-dimensional embroidery design that when stored, can collapse and stored flat when not on display.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

N202X, P218

A Quilted Harvest (BYOF)

Michelle Umlauf

In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place

Unleash your creativity in our upcoming class as we learn how to strip quilt, but with a twist! Say goodbye to

time-consuming methods and hello to efficiency and ease. Join us and discover how to effortlessly craft charming pumpkin silhouettes, perfect for embracing the pumpkin spice season. By the class's conclusion, you'll proudly display your beautifully quilted pumpkin, a testament to your newfound skills. Whether you're decorating your space or creating heartfelt gifts, these projects are bound to delight. Don't miss out on this opportunity to revolutionize your quilting experience and bring your artistic visions to life effortlessly! **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3
Hands-On
Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
N203X, P219

Fashion Graffiti: An Upcycle Sampler (BYOF)

Ellen Murabito

Get ready to "paint" with thread with The Upcycle Lady! No spray cans required! Discover the fun of apparel upcycling without deconstruction when you join expert Ellen in this creative and transformative journey. Using techniques like sashiko, reverse hand appliqué, and cursive couching, you can make any old garment new again. Be inspired by the variety of sample styles from prim embroidered flowers to more modern applications. Upcycle your own pair of jeans or sweatshirt in class as you learn how to add artful hand-sewn embellishments, embroidery, bling, plus several other fun tricks to create a one-of-a-kind "Fashion Graffiti" look. **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$40.00
Hands-On
Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
N198X, P214

Play Date with Template Quilting

Donelle McAdams

In the Janome Studio sponsored by The Quilters Studio
Join us for a Play Date using templates for quilting. No free motion or template quilting experience needed. You will walk through the basics and then play with the templates to experience the ease of quilting with them. You will also be shown how to use the templates and accessories (all provided for use in class) to make designs for quilt blocks, borders and more. Do not miss this opportunity to get your hands on quilting templates. Learn from a National Educator who loves teaching the basics of template quilting! Take the opportunity to try it before you buy.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
N204X, P220

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Incredible Ice Dye (BYOF)

Jessica Kaufman

Have you experienced the captivating world of ice dyeing? Prepare to be positively addicted as you witness the magic unfold! Ice dyeing involves applying safe, easy-to-use fiber-reactive dye powders over ice, resulting in ethereal, intricate, and completely unique color effects that are never the same twice.

As the colors split and fissure due to the slow melting water, your fabric will transform, showcasing watercolor-like effects ranging from subtle to psychedelic. Whether you choose to overdye colored fabric or start with a clean white canvas, the results will leave you breathless. Every square inch tells a different story!

This class is an exploration of creativity. Work with knits or wovens to create multiple smaller projects like napkins and fat quarters or delve into larger projects such as yardage, aprons, or garments. The process works wonders on plant fibers like cotton, linen, rayon, bamboo, hemp, and more. We provide everything you need for the class, except for what you want to dye. Dyeable t-shirts, assorted garments, and fabrics will be available for purchase.

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Take your projects home to cure and washout, armed with detailed instructions for future creations. For added convenience, Jessica offers an optional service to launder your pieces and ship them to you, ready to use or wear.

Join us in this enchanting class and unlock the secrets of ice dyeing—where every creation is a masterpiece!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q229X, R245

Clone Your Clothes

Kathy Ruddy

We all have garments in our wardrobe that fit well and feel fabulous when worn. Wouldn't it be great if you could take a pattern from those same finished garments and create a whole new wardrobe of styles inspired by your favorite looks? Kathy will guide you through taking a 3-dimensional garment to a flat pattern. Learn the rules for copying sleeves, darts, seams, and gathers. Make the sewing experience smoother and more gratifying, as you easily recreate garments in your own fusion of styles and fabrics. Bring your favorite garment to class that you want to copy and Kathy may use it as an example in class.

Sessions: 1

Materials: \$7.00

Saturday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
Q231X

The Secret to Making Great Bags

Pam Damour

The secret is out! A great bag does not just happen, it takes research, engineering, and planning to succeed. Pam has done all the research and is going to share her discoveries with you. She will help you determine the best stabilizers, zippers, and hardware for your bag, as well as demonstrate different ways to finish the bag bottom. See how various pockets and zipper insertions are used to create your own unique bag.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
Q226X

Embroidery SOS!

Tamara Evans

Join us as we discuss real-life examples of *embroidery gone bad*, unraveling the contributing culprits and exploring proactive solutions to avoid future mistakes. Engage in a lively session of *Can this stitch-out be saved?* Beginners and seasoned embroiderers alike will learn the ins and outs of troubleshooting embroidery issues, what to blame and how to prevent them. We will explore common problems related to hooping, needles, threads, tensions, speed, digitizing, and stabilizing. We might even bust a myth or two along the way! Walk away armed with a class handout featuring expert tips and tricks to ensure future embroidery success.

Note: If you have an *embroidery emergency*, feel free to bring it in to class for Tamara's expert advice.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
Q227X

Rolled Edge Kimono (BYOF)

Jill McCloy

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Discover the art of creating your own unique kimono-style jacket with just shoulder and length measurements – no bust or hip fuss! Join Jill for an inspiring fashion journey where creativity knows no bounds. In this hands-on class, you will design and craft your personalized garment, guided by Jill's expert tips and a showcase of imaginative ideas.

Witness the magic unfold as you transform a simple concept into a stylish reality. The beauty of this project lies in its simplicity, with a focus on a beautiful, rolled edge created effortlessly with a serger. As you gracefully strut out of class wearing your completed masterpiece, you will be ready to unveil your own fashion show, sure to gain admiration and compliments.

Let us keep the simplicity our little secret – because sometimes, the most fabulous creations come from the easiest techniques. Embrace the joy of crafting and wearing your one-of-a-kind kimono-style jacket, celebrating individuality and style without the need for intricate measurements. It is time to make fashion uniquely yours! **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details**

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q232X, R248

Ladies Leggings: Fun, Fast & FABULOUS

Kathy McMakin

In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac

Serge up a pair of black leggings you will love in just three hours! Pair this versatile, slimming piece of clothing with a T-shirt or your favorite tunic. In this class we will discuss the particulars of serging with knits, how to adjust your serger to create perfect seams with no waffling or puckering, three ways to serge an elastic waistband and three ways to hem with and without a serger coverstitch. The leggings pattern is sized XS (2-4) to XXL (18-20). If you have a most-loved pair of leggings, bring them to help with sizing.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$30.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q233X, R249

EmbroiderLee: Where Embroidery Meets Rulerwork

Donelle McAdams

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

Join us as we delve into the fascinating combination where machine embroidery meets rulerwork to cultivate a stunning 18-inch square masterpiece. Even if you have never ventured into rulerwork before, prepare to be amazed at what you can achieve! Dive into the realm of rulerwork, a technique that adds precision and

dimension to your embroidery designs. No prior experience is needed—our expert instructor, Donelle, is eager to introduce you to this exciting new concept and guide you through its seamless integration into your projects. Whether you are a seasoned machine embroiderer or a newcomer to rulerwork, this class promises a dynamic fusion of techniques to create a project that is both fun and impressive. Do not miss the chance to explore the intersection of machine embroidery and rulerwork creativity with Donelle's expert guidance!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q234X, R250

Little Bigmouth

Marsha Kirsch

In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew'N Place

Introducing the Little Bigmouth—a bag of endless possibilities! This versatile bag is a sewing enthusiast's dream, perfect for carrying all your supplies—clips, pins, threads, bobbins, and more. For the fashion-forward individual, it doubles as a perfect purse companion, accommodating all your personal items with ease. And let's not forget about the outdoorsman—ideal for storing a plethora of fishing lures for your next adventure!

The Little Bigmouth boasts a charming design adorned with beautiful floating stitches, ribbon accents, and decorative detailing. With its convenient velcro closure, you can trust your belongings are secure wherever you go.

Join us in this fun and rewarding project, suitable for all skill levels. With easy-to-follow instructions, you'll have a multipurpose bag ready to accompany you on any endeavor. Whether you're sewing, shopping, or casting a line, the Little Bigmouth is your perfect companion!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$25.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q235X, R251

It's Easy with the Fast Fit Worksheet

Lindsey Johns

Are you tired of sewing frustrations and endless fittings? Say goodbye to guesswork and hello to sewing success with our revolutionary Fast Fit System! Join us for an exhilarating class where you'll learn the secrets to achieving your perfect fit in record time. Led by the creator of the acclaimed Fast Fit Workbook, you'll embark on a transformative journey to mastering the art of "fit" like never before. In this dynamic workshop, you'll discover the essential techniques for accurately taking your measurements and harnessing the power of the Fast Fit Worksheet. From decoding Body Measurement

Charts to navigating the intricacies of Finished Garment Measurement Charts, you'll gain the tools and confidence to ensure every stitch you sew fits like a dream.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$7.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q230X, R246

"Sew" Much More Than A Sewing Machine Cover (BYOF)

Michelle Umlauf

In the Janome Studio sponsored by The Quilters Studio

Revolutionize your sewing experience with this versatile sewing machine cover—an absolute game-changer for your sewing room! This cover is not just multi-functional but also a style statement. Choose your fabrics, infuse your personality, and voila—a custom accessory that is both stylish and practical.

Perfect for on-the-go creativity, this sewing machine cover is your must-have travel companion for classes and retreats. It is not just a cover but also a silent guardian against vibrations and noise, providing a cozy home for your sewing machine to rest on while you sew. With cleverly designed pockets, it is designed to keep your essential tools like seam rippers, needles, and pins within reach.

But here is the twist—it is more than just a machine cover and mat. When your machine takes a break, transform the mat into a pressing surface, making it a versatile essential for every sewing enthusiast.

New to sewing? Fear not! This beginner-friendly project introduces you to the art of working with a quilted sandwich, ensuring your fabrics stay in place without a wrinkle in sight.

Learn the ropes of creating custom-sized bound pockets—sturdy and stylish. Elevate your sewing space with a touch of your personal flair. This sewing machine cover is more than functional; it is your sewing sanctuary! Join us and let the sewing revolution begin!

Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.

Sessions: 3
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q236X, R252

The Best of "Make It Monday!"

Jim Suzio

Step into the Spotlight: Join us for a live showcase of Jim's Greatest Hits from 'Make It Monday'! Experience the magic up close as we bring your favorite sewing, serging, and crafting tutorials to life. From thread to

fabric, discover a world of creative possibilities – there is something for every sewing enthusiast!

Sessions: 1
Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Q225

PDF Patterns 101

Sara Robitaille

Welcome to PDF Patterns 101 where we turn digital confusion into sewing perfection. Whether you're a total newbie or a seasoned stitcher looking to level up, this class will take you by the hand and lead you through the murky waters of PDF patterns from downloading and printing to cutting and sewing. Prepare to transform those intimidating digital files into fabulous, envy-inducing garments and accessories.

Sessions: 1
Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Q228

Bag Swag

Judy Phillips

Step up your bag game with these innovative and stylish ideas and products. Elevate your everyday carry with cutting-edge designs that blend functionality with fashion. Discover versatile organizers, new and creative materials, and sleek finishes that redefine utility and elevate your style. Whether you're looking for the perfect travel companion or a statement piece for daily use, explore these different ideas that promise durability, practicality, creativity and a touch of sophistication. Upgrade your bag collection today and experience the next level of convenience and elegance.

Sessions: 1
Saturday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
R241

Hoop It UP!

Tamara Evans

Let's face it - hooping is not at the top of anyone's list of why they embroider. However, proper hooping is vital to successful embroidery outcomes! The perfect combination of stabilizer and fabric for the design is pointless if not hooped correctly. Hooping does not have to be tedious and time consuming, it just needs to be done correctly. Let's make hooping simple, straightforward, and quick! Advanced machine features, stabilizer tricks, and tools dramatically improve the precision and success of hooping today. Discover the secrets for stitching pucker-free projects, how to secure hard-to-hoop items, and tips for those stitch intensive designs. Learn when to hoop, when to float, and when to baste in place. Perfect design placement is easy to achieve even when stitching multiples with a few simple tips. Your kit includes a variety of substrates and stabilizers to master the techniques. This hands-on hooping class is not machine specific but will discuss some helpful machine features. All skill levels are

welcome to get the scoop on how to hoop! Bring your own hoop!

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Saturday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
R247X

Sew Elastic Waistbands Like a Pro

Pattie Otto

Discover the art of crafting effortlessly comfortable and professionally finished elastic waistbands for skirts, pants, and shorts in our expert-led class. Say goodbye to bulk and hello to seamless style as Pattie guides you through foolproof techniques for casing, insertion, and hidden applications. Gain valuable insights into selecting the right elastic types, mastering accurate measurements, precise marking, and expert stitching for waistbands that not only feel great but also look impeccable. Uncover fitting tips that will elevate your garment creations to a whole new level of comfort and sophistication. Join us and redefine the way you approach elastic waistbands, achieving flawless results with every stitch.

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$12.00
Saturday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
R242X

Bodice Architecture: Mastering Pattern Alterations

Lorraine Henry

Have you ever tried building a bodice from the waist up? As clothing architects, we can build our clothes in an orderly fashion that will give us a well-fitting garment. Do you know that patterns generally have an 8-inch side seam? What is yours? That is the first step in building your bodice (*or blouse*). Then learn the order of checking all your other measurements on the pattern which will give you a much better understanding of how to complete your pattern alterations. Most of us have more than one and following an order will help them fall into place. Watch a complete demo of changing midriff length, dart position, shoulder slopes, neck sizes, chest and bust sizes, waist widths, etc. All on one pattern piece, one step at a time.

Sessions: 1
Saturday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
R243

Cruise Clothes That Go Everywhere

Kathy Ruddy

Inspired by the enchantment of my first Disney Cruise, I designed a unique wardrobe for this extraordinary occasion. Immerse yourself in the art of fashion as we blend the elegance of a 100 percent cotton border print with the versatility of Athleisure techniques.

Discover the joy of creating woven cotton wide-leg pants, elevated with a 5-inch Lulu Lemon Yoke crafted from 4-way stretch performance fabric, ensuring both style and comfort. Learn the intricate art of matching plaids and stripes and master the fusion of knit and woven fabrics to trim the neckline of a top seamlessly.

Dive into the realm of garment modification as we explore the transformation of a set-in sleeve into a raglan, providing a comfortable fit and unparalleled comfort. Uncover the secrets of turning a side dart into neckline gathers, catering to all cup sizes with grace.

Get ready to recreate the elegance of Charity's bachelorette engagement dress neckline, adapting it to fashion a floaty long dress complete with pockets—a design that flatters all figure types. As a delightful bonus, learn the art of crafting a dress-length hooded beach coverup, combining style and functionality for a perfect seaside escape.

Join us on this magical adventure, where you will not only expand your skill set but also learn to create a wardrobe that seamlessly blends comfort and sophistication. After all, in this class, you will learn how to be as comfortable as enjoying a plate of cookies while looking effortlessly chic.

Sessions: 1
Saturday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
R244

Revitalize Your Wardrobe: An Upcycle Trunk Show Ellen Murabito

Join the Upcycle Lady in this fun workshop where she will teach you how to breathe new life into old garments! We all have something in our closet that has lost its appeal. Ellen will share her ideas and suggestions for upcycling garments you already own into something new for you to love again! We'll discuss using upcycle techniques to renew a garment, rather than discarding or donating it. Students are encouraged to bring an old, orphaned garment from their own closets to receive a personal consultation on how to renew it so it may be worn for years to come! Keeping our neglected garment orphans out of landfill is the core of what upcycling is all about!

Sessions: 1
Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
S257X

Give it a Zip!

Linda McGehee
Unlock the magic of zipper installation with Linda as your guide! Discover the versatility of zippers in garments, pockets, pillows, and handbags. Linda will demystify the process, showing you how to effortlessly insert zippers in various applications. Learn essential skills such as adjusting zipper length and reattaching sliders for a

seamless finish. Elevate your projects by incorporating decorative zippers, letting them make a bold statement. With Linda's expert tips, the possibilities are endless, and the results are guaranteed fun. Say goodbye to zipper woes and embrace trouble-free installation for your next garment or bag project!

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$7.00
Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
S259X

Fearless Metallic Threads

Michelle Umlauf

Crack the code on metallic threads with Michelle, your fearless guide in *Fearless Metallic Threads!* Admit it, you have a love-hate relationship with these dazzling threads. You love their shimmer but fear the chaos they might cause. Michelle, a National Educator for Sulky of America, is here to dispel your fears and turn your metallic thread experiences from dread to delight.

Join this expert-led lecture class to unravel the secrets of successfully setting up your machine for metallic thread glory. Michelle spills the beans on the tools that will not only ease the process but inject pure fun into working with metallic threads. Say goodbye to hesitation and hello to a world where metallic threads become your creative allies. Let the shimmering adventure begin!

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$12.00
Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
S260X

Serger Master Class: Faux Chanel Braid

Jim Suzio

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Unlock the full potential of your serger with our hands-on class that goes far beyond basic seam finishing! If you thought your serger was only for practical stitching, think again. In this exciting workshop, we will guide you through the art of creating stunning braided edges that would impress even the likes of Chanel.

Join us for a unique notebook class where you will delve into the world of serging creativity. Our expert instructor will lead you through step-by-step techniques to craft faux braided edges on garments, elevating your sewing projects to a whole new level of sophistication. Discover the secrets of achieving the perfect braided look that adds a touch of elegance to any piece.

No need to be a seasoned seamstress—this class is designed for all skill levels. Whether you are new to serging or looking to expand your repertoire, you will leave with the confidence and skills to infuse your creations with the timeless charm of faux braided edges.

Unleash your creativity, transform your garments, and learn the art of serging that extends beyond the ordinary. Secure your spot now for an unforgettable journey into the world of stylish and intricate serger techniques!

Check out the other "Serge Master Class" workshop for more techniques: Serger Master Class: Flatlocking, Braiding & More!

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
S264X

Revitalize & Renew: Overdyeing Fabrics for a Splash of New Color (BYOF)

Jessica Kaufman

Have you ever wished you could breathe new life into fabrics or completely transform their colors? Enter the world of direct-application dyeing with fiber-reactive dyes! This class is your passport to an exploration of professional-looking results without the campy cliches of tie-dye.

Discover the art of manipulating fabrics into unique patterns and then bring them to life with liquid dyes. Say goodbye to plain, tired fabrics or colors that no longer inspire you. Turn them into one-of-a-kind art yardage that you cannot wait to sew with. This class offers the perfect opportunity to create multiple smaller projects like napkins and fat quarters or dive into larger projects such as yardage, aprons, or garments.

Note: The process works wonders on plant fibers like cotton, linen, rayon, bamboo, hemp, and more. We provide everything you need for the class, **except for what you want to dye**. You will have time to create multiple smaller projects like napkins and fat quarters or dive into 1-2 larger projects like yardage, aprons, or garments. Dyeable t-shirts, assorted garments, and fabrics will be available for purchase.

Take your projects home to cure and washout, armed with detailed instructions for future creations. For added convenience, Jessica offers an optional service to launder your pieces and ship them to you, ready to use or wear.

Join us in this colorful journey and redefine the possibilities of your fabrics!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
S261, T277X

Beginning Hand Smocking

Kathy McMakin

Did you know that most geometric smocking designs are made up of just four basic stitches, configured in different ways? The age-old technique of hand-stitching on pleated fabric is appreciated by all and can be used in so many ways! Smocking is found not only on vintage garments but is showing up all over modern baby and home decor treasures, too. Join Kathy as you learn the basic stitches: Outline or Stem, Cable, Baby Waves and Multi-Step Waves. You will learn how to start each row of stitching, change colors and tie-off. Start with pleated fabric, floss, needles, and an illustrated handout, and leave class confident in your smock-ability.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$20.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
S263, T279X

Must-Have Tools for Every Sewist

Lindsey Johns

Are you tired of sifting through a mountain of sewing gadgets, unsure of what's truly essential? Join us for a hands-on journey through the must-have tools that will transform your sewing space into a powerhouse of efficiency and creativity! From nifty notions to specialized implements, we'll explore a curated selection of tools guaranteed to streamline your workflow and elevate your craft to new heights. Through lively demonstrations and real-world examples, you'll gain practical insights into the purpose and usage of each indispensable tool. Discover how these game-changers can revolutionize the way you work, from stitching seams to perfecting finishes. Armed with your newfound knowledge, you'll leave with a personalized shopping list and expert guidance on integrating these tools seamlessly into your sewing sanctuary. Say goodbye to guesswork and hello to a more enjoyable and productive sewing experience!

Sessions: 1
Saturday 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
S258

Four Techniques for Serging Knits

Pattie Otto

In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Pocono Sew & Vac

Get ready for a hands-on experience where you will conquer the four key techniques for serging knits: seaming, neckbands, hems, and applying elastic.

Explore the art of basic seaming on various knit types, unravel the mysteries of stabilizers and topstitching, and discover a plethora of hemming options, including cover stitch basics on a diverse range of knit fabrics. Discover the simplicity of creating elastic waistbands for pull-on pants and unveil the secrets of achieving a professional cover stitch finish.

This is a journey of serging mastery! Complete multiple samples and apply your newfound skills with confidence on future knit projects. Get ready to stitch, serge, and sparkle in the world of knits!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
S265, T281X

Twisted Knot: A Woven Rope Bowl Creation

Tamara Evans

In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

Rope bowls are easy to make and a welcome gift for everyone on your list for any occasion! While they have become quite popular in retail environments, do not overlook the unlimited creative opportunities they afford when you make them yourself. In this hands-on class, we will explore diverse types of suitable cording and learn the techniques for coiling and stitching in different shapes and sizes. We will also explore many embellishment options including decorative stitches and threads, fabric wrapping, dyeing and even machine embroidery! You will leave class with three finished projects and the desire to create sew many more!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
S266, T282X

A Perfect Pair

Judy Phillips

In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by Sew 'N Place

Unlock your creativity with our Perfect Pair workshop where you will only cut the fabric once but end up with two matching bags! Dive into the world of bag making and conquer your fears of zippers. Perfect for beginners, this hands-on experience will guide you through crafting two stylish bags, ideal for organizing makeup, notions, and more. Our expert instructor will demystify the zipper process, ensuring you leave the workshop with newfound confidence and a pair of personalized, professionally crafted bags. Embrace the joy of creating functional and fashionable accessories in a supportive and empowering environment.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$34.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
S267, T283X

Draping Fundamentals: Lower Body

Joe Vecchiarelli

Discover the secrets of draping your lower half in this comprehensive class led by expert fitter and instructor, Joe Vecchiarelli. Dive into the fundamentals as you

embark on a hands-on journey to craft a basic straight pant. From mastering the intricacies of taking accurate measurements with the assistance of Joe, to comparing and translating them onto the muslin and eventually draping to your body or body form, you will learn the essential steps in creating a tailored fit.

Join your peers in collaborative groups of 3 or 4 to broaden your skills by crafting various pant styles, including the classic straight leg, the chic cigarette pant, and the elegant palazzo style. Engage in insightful discussions about darts and the conversion to pleats, adding depth to your understanding of garment construction.

By the end of the class, you will not only have completed multiple pant styles but also gained the expertise to confidently drape your own pants at home using your body form or your own body. Equip yourself with the tools and knowledge needed to bring your unique vision to life in the world of fashion draping.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$26.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM
S262, T278

Pack-Pack Clear Vinyl Backpack

Amanda Gerard

In the Janome Studio sponsored by The Quilters Studio

Step into the world of clear vinyl with confidence as we guide you through conquering your fears in this exciting workshop! Together, we will harness the versatility of clear vinyl to craft the ideal-sized backpack for your upcoming adventures. Discover the art of using double sided tape and specialty zippers, demystify the sticky side of working with clear vinyl, and learn the tricks to avoid getting stuck in the process! Sew O'side brings a fresh perspective by introducing a novel technique for adding a sturdy base to your bags and crafting removable backpack straps. Our dedicated instructors strive to ensure that every student leaves the class not only with newfound skills but also with a completed, professionally finished backpack—ready for your next journey. Let us turn your apprehension into accomplishment and make your clear vinyl backpack dreams a reality!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$47.00
Hands-On
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
S268, T284X

Thrifting 101: An Upcycler's Guide to How & What to Look for at a Thrift Store

Ellen Murabito

Thrift store upcycling is the hottest trend for sourcing "new fabric" in a more sustainable and earth-friendly way. Join expert Ellen Murabito on a virtual field trip

through a thrift store as we explore HOW to shop for secondhand garments and learn WHAT to look for. You will see used garments differently, not for what they are, but for what they can be; then find that the unexpected, imperfect, hidden gems, other thrifters avoid are perfect for upcycle sewing projects! Ellen's experience will help you bring the discarded pieces back to life, to be RE-LOVED and RE-USED for years to come. In this class, we'll go over everything you need to know before heading to your local thrift shop, unique points to consider when upcycling garments, tips for staying on track while thrifting, plus resources that should be on every upcycler's list. See before and after examples to spark inspiration for your own secondhand masterpiece!

Sessions: 1
Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
T273X

Fashion Forward: Using Ready-to-Wear as Inspiration

Lindsey Johns

Ready to turn heads with your own runway-worthy creations inspired by your favorite fashion finds? Say goodbye to retail envy and hello to DIY couture with our game-changing class! In this exciting class, you'll learn the art of replicating ready-to-wear looks using sewing patterns, unlocking a world of endless style possibilities. You'll learn the art of identifying key style lines and details that define your favorite garments. Through captivating live demonstrations and insider tips, you'll uncover the tricks of the trade for selecting sewing patterns that mirror the design elements of your coveted pieces. Armed with fashion croquis, you'll have the opportunity to sketch your favorite store-bought designs and use them as a roadmap for selecting the perfect sewing pattern match. By the end of the class, you'll leave with the tools and inspiration to recreate your wardrobe favorites from scratch, unleashing your inner fashionista and elevating your sewing skills to new heights.

Sessions: 1
Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
T274X

Addicted to BAGS!

Linda McGehee

Handbags are the rage and you need more than one. Discover how easy it is to make bags with character to fit your special needs. Whether making a cute evening bag, holder for CD's, or large carryall for every day, there are tricks of the trade. Padded shoulder straps, chain application, corded piping, sew-in magnetic snaps, bag feet, and under construction essentials are some of the basics. There are tips for proper positioning of creative design for all styles of bags. Use handbags as a palette to play with your sewing machine while creating bags uniquely your own. They are so much fun. View many bags from Linda's collection.

Sessions: 1
Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
T275X

Bag Design Essentials

Jaymi Horne

Unleash your creativity in this dynamic lecture where you will learn the art of designing your own bags from scratch. Dive into the fascinating process of calculating measurements and determining fabric requirements with expert guidance. Explore a gallery of inspiring samples and let your imagination soar as we use inspirational photos to take you on this unique journey of designing your very own stylish and functional bags. Get ready to transform your ideas into tangible, personalized fashion statements!

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$7.00
Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
T276

Serger Master Class: Flatlocking, Braiding & More!

Jim Suzio

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Threads Run Thru It

Welcome to the Serger Master Class: Advanced Edition! In this second installment, we dive deeper into the art of serging as we unravel the secrets of the flatlock stitch. Elevate your skills as we guide you through the intricacies of perfecting the flatlock, and then explore its transformative potential through designer detail braiding.

Unlock the creative possibilities of Jim's innovative Stapling technique, a unique approach that takes your serging craftsmanship to new heights. Gain mastery in the art of creating flawless flatlock stitches and witness the magic that unfolds as you experiment with a simple change of thread, transforming your creations into designer masterpieces.

Join us for this hands-on experience where precision meets creativity, and where the humble flatlock stitch becomes a canvas for your unique expression. Elevate your serging journey with the Second Serger Master Class and embark on a path to serging excellence.

Check out the other "Serger Master Class" workshop for more techniques: Serger Master Class: Faux Chanel Braid

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
T280X

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