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**Thursday 10/2/2025**

**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 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM  
A 3X

**Delicate Embroidery: Lace and Tulle**

Tamara Evans

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio sponsored by J & J Sew N Vac*

Is it the combination of fresh air and favorite foods that makes an afternoon picnic so enchanting? Add sweet style to your tablescape with a darling Summer Berries Food Tent and dainty Lace Butterflies. In this innovative class taught by embroidery expert, Tamara Evans, you will embellish a ready-made popup food cover. Embroidery on tulle and other fine fabrics creates a unique lace-like appearance. Learn the secrets for design selection, stabilizing, and

stitching-techniques you will use again for doilies, ornaments, clothing, even costumes. Class kit includes the Summer Berries and Butterfly design files with instructions.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$18.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
A 7X, B23

**Bargello Table Runner**

Karen Barry

*In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Sewing Machines Etc.*

Bargello quilts may look complex, but they're surprisingly easy and a lot of fun to make! In this hands-on class, you'll learn time-saving strip piecing techniques to create a stunning Bargello style table runner. You'll complete at least one of the four blocks in class and leave with the skills and confidence to finish your project at home and to tackle future Bargello quilts with ease! You'll have your choice of colorways to make your runner uniquely yours.

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

**Thread Sketching & Fabric Painting: Part 1 and Part 2**

Eric Drexler

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Chattanooga Sewing Machines*

Join us for a creative and skill-building experience with Eric as your guide!

**Part One: Free Motion Thread Sketching**

In the first half of the class, you'll dive into the art of Free Motion Thread Sketching using a simple straight stitch. Eric will demonstrate various techniques to help you gain confidence and precision with your free motion work. Whether you're brand new to the concept or looking to refine your technique, you'll develop a strong foundation while stitching your initial design.

## Part Two: Fabric Painting

The second half of the class brings your stitched design to life through Fabric Painting. Using the drawing you created with your sewing machine, you'll learn how to add depth, dimension, and color with paint. This section covers a wide range of essential topics—including the best threads and needles for the job, choosing and blending paints, mastering shading techniques, and more.

Throughout the class, you'll not only strengthen your free motion skills but also gain valuable insights into combining stitch and color for dynamic textile art. Eric will also share a collection of inspiring samples to show just how far you can take your new skills.

**There will be a scheduled break from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Please note that lunch will not be provided.**

**Part One will be held in the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Chattanooga Sewing Machines-Ballroom C**

**Part Two will be held in the Prep Kitchen room**

Sessions: 7  
Materials: \$24.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM  
A 9X, B25, C38, D54XY

## Two Bags, Five Zippers, One Serger

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*  
Ready to move on to something more challenging with zippers and sergers? In this class you will make 3 zippered bags using various types of fabrics. These bags are completely lined and use different types of fabrics along with traditional cotton fabrics.

The first bag is constructed with cotton and has two lined zippered pockets. One of the bags will be constructed using faux leather and cotton fabrics and has three zippered pockets in the front and one in the back. All bags are completely lined, which is a great technique to learn.

Join LuAnn for this entertaining and informative class and most of all, take your serger bag skills to the next level. Your friends will say, "Wow, you made that!"

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$29.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
A10X, B26

## Time for a Test Drive with Handi Quilter

Handi Quilter Educator

*In the HANDI QUILTER Longarm Studio sponsored by Lebanon Vacuum & Sewing*

Join national educator and longarm expert, Teresa Melonson, for a morning drive in the Handi Quilter Studio. If you have ever thought about purchasing a longarm or simply want to review the basics, Iris will navigate you through this fun and interactive course. Quilt with confidence as you learn the machine features for beginners and professionals to determine which machine is right for you. All class materials including fabric, batting, and thread will be provided.

Sessions: 3  
Hands-On  
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
A 2X, B18

## Tailor's Tips for a Professional Look

Jim Suzio

Master the secrets to great fitting clothes. Learn the tips professional tailor's use for measuring and simple alterations with clothing designer, Jim Suzio. In this new lecture, Jim will demonstrate age-old and the latest tailor's tools every sewist should use for making custom clothing. If you like sewing for others, or for yourself, this course is one you can't miss.

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

## Foundation Paper Piecing: Pick of the Litter

Jaymi Horne

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Create a mini quilt or pillow showcasing your favorite pup! Choose from three different color options—Chocolate Lab, Golden Retriever, or Cream

Retriever—and discover just how simple and fun this unique quilting technique can be!

Materials fee includes the pattern and fabric needed to complete the quilt top

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

A11X, B27

### **Incredible Ice Dye: Beginner's Workshop (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.

**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**. Class will give you time to make 1 yard of fabric or 1 garment.

*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 6X, B22

### **Introduction to Electric Quilt 8- Laptop Required**

Denise Dacus

Are you ready to unlock the power of EQ8 and take your quilting skills to the next level? Whether you're a novice quilter or an experienced sewist looking to dive into digital quilt design, this class is tailored just for you. In this comprehensive introduction to EQ8, you'll embark on an exciting journey that will revolutionize the way you approach quilt design and construction.

Throughout the course, you'll overcome common hurdles faced by beginners in digital quilt design, such as navigating the software interface, understanding design principles, and translating your creative vision into digital form. Additionally, you'll find new inspiration in the endless possibilities EQ8 offers for experimentation and exploration. From traditional block designs to modern improvisational layouts, you'll discover fresh ideas to fuel your creativity and inspire your next quilting project. By the end of the course, you'll leave with a solid understanding of EQ8's features and functionality, as well as practical experience designing your own quilts from start to finish.

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

A 4 X, B20

### **The No-Pattern Jacket Wardrobe**

Jill McCloy

Yes, you can design your jacket wardrobe and do so without any unpleasant measurements. We only need shoulders, neck, and desired length. We'll start

with a basic kimono style. Then, discuss a few possible tweaks while fitting and onward to changes and additions, in other words, Style. Perhaps add a back yoke or a front band, tapered sleeves, vents or cuffs, decorative panels, and various collar styles. Leave off the sleeves and create a vest. Face the fronts for a fold-back collar. Make a vee or rounded neckline and add a tie or button closure. Play your way to a great jacket wardrobe. Questions are welcome. Includes a Trunk show to inspire—plus a worksheet.

Sessions: 1  
Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
A 5

### **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 anyone of 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 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
B19X

### **The No-Pattern Skirt: Be Your Own Designer**

Jill McCloy

First, a mini fashion show for inspiration. Next, a basic straight skirt with a simple vent and elastic waistband is the perfect blank canvas upon which to determine basic ease, construction, and the most flattering skirt lengths for you. The basic skirt then evolves in steps to encompass more than two dozen fashionable variations. Modifications include creating a variety of skirt silhouettes from dirndls, A-lines, gores, and shaped gores to tiers, inserts, and ruffles. There are overlays, wraps, faux wraps, tailored front/elastic back waistbands, yoked waistbands, inseam or patch pockets, shaped hems, raw edge seams, and exposed serged seams. Well,

the list does go on. Come with questions, we'll work out the answers. Instructional handout included.

Sessions: 1  
Thursday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
B21

### **Tension Without Tension: An Introduction to Free Motion Quilting**

HollyAnne Knight

Have you ever watched a quilter who glides across the quilt top like an artist? This is the place to start your own free-motion creative journey. In this lecture HollyAnne Knight of String & Story will discuss the foundations of successful free-motion quilting in three parts. What supplies are needed to start? What are the basic skills you should practice to set yourself up for success? And finally, HollyAnne will demonstrate a variety of free-motion quilting styles to fall in love with. Here's to finding your own stress-free style and more finished quilt tops.

Sessions: 1  
Thursday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
B17

### **Unconventional Sewing on a Shoestring Budget**

Chelsea Swindle

Join us as we explore how to transform unexpected and inexpensive everyday products into beautiful, functional creations. Our goal is to make sewing accessible to everyone, regardless of budget constraints.

In this innovative lecture-demo, you'll learn how to repurpose and reimagine different inexpensive finds into sewing materials. We'll discuss how to create practical items such as a sunglasses case and a vehicle trash bag using unconventional materials that are affordable and readily available.

Perfect for sewists at any stage of their journey, this class offers valuable insights:

-For Beginners: Gain confidence on how to work with budget-friendly materials. Learn foundational techniques and practical tips for creating useful items without spending a fortune.

-For Experienced Sewists: Discover creative ways to utilize everyday items in your sewing projects. Whether you're teaching a friend or family member or looking to expand your own creative horizons, this class will inspire you to think outside the box.

Chelsea will walk you through different ideas of what you can use and how you might be able to use them in your future projects. You'll leave with practical knowledge, newfound creativity, and ideas of how to look at everyday products in different lights.

Join us for a fun and enlightening class where creativity meets affordability. Embrace the challenge of creating something extraordinary from ordinary materials, and discover the joy of sewing without breaking the bank.

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  
C33X

### **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  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM  
C35

### **Embroidered Market Tote**

Jessica VanDenburgh

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio  
sponsored by J & J Sew N Vac*

Cork is such a dream to embroider and this tote is the perfect bag to show off your beautiful design! In class we will make this small tote bag from start to finish including a gorgeous embroidered front!

Materials fee: Precut cork for the outside & handles and lining fabric. Printed pattern also included.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$52.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
C39, D55, E71

### **How to Add Pockets to Any Garment**

Jim Suzio

*In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Sewing Machines Etc.*

Learn to skillfully add an in-seam pocket to your favorite dress. Master designer, Jim Suzio, will provide the pattern for the pocket shape and share measuring tips for perfect pocket placement. You'll make a sample pocket using a main fashion fabric and lining material, gaining confidence as you sew, so you can repeat the technique at home. As an optional bonus, students may bring a dress or pair of pants for Jim's evaluation and suggestions for opening the seam.

Sessions: 2  
Materials: \$20.00

Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM  
C41, D57

### **Intro to Quilting with Rulers**

HollyAnne Knight

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by  
Chattanooga Sewing Machines*

Quilting with rulers is a fundamental skill, beginning with a basic stitch-in-the-ditch, to echo shapes, and so much more. Join master teacher, HollyAnne Knight of String & Story, to learn foundational rulerwork motifs plus how to mix them with fun free motion quilting. Receive your own Quilting Rockstar Straight Edge Ruler in the class kit with placemat panel for learning and practice. Ruler quilting skills taught will include stitch in the ditch, echo quilting, grid spacing, and ruler-guided switch backs.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$51.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C40, D56XY

### **Waterfall Serger Jacket (BYOF)**

Jill McCloy

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

With a lovely waterfall collar, tapered sleeves, back yoke and inverted tuck as well as a shaped hemline, it is hard to believe that you can draft your own pattern (using only neck and shoulder measurements), create with multiple techniques and you can wear your finished garment out of class. Assembled completely on a serger using a rolled hem exclusively. Having the right fabric makes all the difference.

**Choose a drapey woven fabric that tears in both directions. Printed designs are a big yes, woven designs are a definite no as they cannot be torn. Highly recommended are the beautiful rayon batiks from SewBatik at [sewbatik.com](http://sewbatik.com). These fabrics are beautiful with beautiful quality and are always on grain.**

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$14.00  
Hands-On

Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C42, D58XY

### **Your Free-Motion Quilting Adventure**

Handi Quilter Educator

*In the HANDI QUILTER Longarm Studio sponsored by  
Lebanon Vacuum & Sewing*

Quilters everywhere LOVE the excitement and fun of free-motion quilting—and it's easier than you think! Create flowing designs by connecting simple elements with continuous lines that travel across the quilt or fill a specific area. Learn how drawing and muscle memory contribute to beautiful quilting with skill-building techniques. All class materials including fabric, batting, and thread will be provided.

*This class will be taught by Handi Quilter National Educator, Teresa Melonson, in Nashville-Lebanon, TN.*

Sessions: 3  
Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C34, D50XY

### **Mastering Half Square Triangles (BYOF)**

Angie Lamoree

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Are your half square triangles not turning out as perfectly as you'd like? We've got the solution! Join us to learn Janna Thomas's innovative technique from Bloc Loc, designed to help you achieve flawless HSTs every time. In this dynamic class, you'll explore how to use the Half Square Triangle trimmer to create a variety of stunning block designs. From basic to advanced styles, you'll see how easy it is to achieve precision with this tool. Plus, with our free patterns and handouts, you'll be able to practice and perfect your technique right away.

Elevate your quilting skills and enjoy perfect results with every project. Sign up today and experience the joy of precision quilting!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$32.00  
Hands-On

Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C43, D59XY

### **An Eye for Fit**

Susan Luaces

This comprehensive class is designed to be both a primer for beginners and a valuable refresher for experienced sewists on the principles of proper garment fitting. We will delve into the essential aspects of achieving a well-fitted garment, examining the key hallmarks that define an ideal fit. You'll learn about the correct placement of seams and how they should lay or hang on the body. We will explore the significance of tight or loose wrinkles and what they reveal about fit issues.

Additionally, you'll discover why relying solely on bust, waist, and hip measurements is insufficient for making accurate pattern alterations. Understand why simply adding or subtracting width at the side seams rarely addresses the underlying fitting problems.

Sessions: 1  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM  
C36

### **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  
Thursday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
D51

### **Making Batik Fabrics by Hand: Woodblocks & Beeswax**

Jessica Kaufman

Embark on a journey with American textile artist, Jessica Kaufman, into the intricate world of batiks. After studying with a 5th generation woodblock batik master in Gujarat, India, Jessica has unique insights

for creating batik fabric. Learn how the woodblocks are made; then watch a demonstration as she uses the blocks to print repeated designs in beeswax on cotton fabric. Students will also get an introduction to immersion dyeing with fiber reactive dyes. This colorful, culturally rich lecture will surely inspire you to try your own fabric art! After class shop the instructor's trunk show for one-of-a-kind fabrics dyed by hand.

Jessica Kaufman, owner of WAXON Batik & Dye Studio in Asheville, NC, specializes in classes & workshops in fabric dyeing. She teaches batik classes in her studio year-round.

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

### **Embroidery Software Overview**

Tamara Evans

Embroidery software is a powerful partner in your embroidery endeavors. In this class, we will explore the features and functions that make it an essential tool for altering, improving and creating embroidery designs. Even if you are not ready to create your own designs from scratch, or aren't computer savvy, software is a valuable tool to enhance your embroidery experience for minimal to no expense.

From auditioning color changes, adding lettering, resizing and printing placement templates to editing design elements, combining designs, altering designs for different fabrics, and building a design from scratch; embroidery software is worth exploring!

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

### **Two Easy: How to Measure Yourself for the Perfect Fit**

Susan Luaces

In this class, we'll teach you how to take accurate, detailed measurements for a perfect fit using the Two Easy measuring tapes: the Zero Center Tape and the Inseam Tape. We'll also cover essential measurements that are often overlooked in standard measurement charts but are crucial for achieving a tailored fit. These include the Shoulder Tip-to-Tip and

Shoulder Slope measurements, as well as how to assess figure asymmetry.

Additionally, we'll discuss how to capture the crotch curve shape with a flex curve ruler to ensure a truly custom fit. By the end of the session, you'll be confident in taking the measurements that make all the difference in creating garments that fit your unique shape perfectly.

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

### **Sewing & Quilt Journal Workshop**

Chelsea Swindle

Join influencer Chelsea Swindle of She Sews Seams as she shares her self-published Sewing Journal technique and teaches you how to document your creations. In this workshop - we will discuss the importance of documentation in sewing for both utilitarian and record-keeping purposes.

Through creative writing prompts and discussion - we will open our minds to the world of properly tracking your sewing projects. Class participants will receive their own journal copy and a special archival pen.

Have you ever sewn a pattern up and made changes as you went? Or created a beautiful quilt only to forget what the fabric line or pattern was called? What is your FAVORITE thing that you have ever made? Have you been searching for a place to document your beautiful creations? You've come to the right place. . .

**Students are encouraged to bring a favorite small project with notes and swatches or photos of the project to help you make that first entry as descriptive as possible!**

Sessions: 1  
Materials: \$23.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
E67

### **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  
Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
E65

### **Fitting Curvy Figures: Pattern Alterations for Fuller and Smaller Curves**

Susan Luaces

This class focuses on adjusting commercial patterns to better fit figures with fuller or smaller curves than those for which the pattern was originally designed. We will explore specific alterations for bust size, fuller or flatter backsides, and more prominent or less pronounced abdomens. The session begins with identifying different body variations, including the distinction between "full" and "prominent" curves. Understanding these differences will help you pinpoint exactly where adjustments are needed.

Through demonstrations of the Seam Method of Pattern Alteration, we'll learn how to make changes in the areas that require a better fit, without affecting other parts of the pattern. This approach ensures that the overall style and integrity of the design are maintained.

Sessions: 1  
Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
E68

### **Sydney ID Wallet**

Jessica VanDenburgh

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio  
sponsored by J & J Sew N Vac*



This small but mighty wallet has room for everything - credit cards, ID, cash & change. And it's the perfect size for your purse or pocket! Credit cards are kept secure with a snap and the (optional) swivel hook is great for hooking to your bag or lanyard.

Sessions: 2  
Materials: \$17.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
F87XX

### **The Secret to Mastering your Machine's Stitches**

Jim Suzio

*In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Sewing Machines Etc.*

Whether you are new to sewing or stuck on a straight stitch, join fashion designer Jim Suzio for this hands-on sewing class that takes you to the next level. Explore basic and decorative stitches while learning how to fix stitch quality issues and mastering techniques like topstitching. Build your confidence as you make a practice sampler of stitches and find joy in the creative side of sewing. This class will elevate your sewing skills, making your projects a stitch above.

Sessions: 2  
Materials: \$12.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
F88X

### **Sunset Glow Quilt (BYOF)**

Jaymi Horne

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Chattanooga Sewing Machines*

This is a perfect pattern for a beginner quilter, with stunning results! Pick your six favorite fabrics, and quickly make a quilt top! Take advantage of the large open spaces with custom quilting, or save time with simple straight line quilting. Quilt finishes at 59 inches by 74 inches and is traditionally pieced.

### **Students Bring Your Own Fabric-see supply list**

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$14.00  
Hands-On

Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
F89X, G105

### **Savvy Serger Techniques**

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Explore the incredible things you can do with a serger (besides just finishing the edge of a seam). Taught by serger expert and designer, LuAnn Hartley, you will be working with decorative threads and will get to try a few optional accessory feet. You can apply these new techniques to many of your projects. Learn to create perfect gathers, rolled hems and a wave stitch with decorative threads, plus insert a zipper, create piping, and see how easy it is to apply beads to your projects. We will also learn how to perfect a Flatlock stitch and reverse Flatlock.

Materials fee: fabrics for each technique plus a pillow pattern that uses all the techniques you learned during the class.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$27.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM  
F90X, G106

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## **Friday 10/3/2025**

### **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 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM  
H115X

### **Zip to Shape Bag**

Linda McGehee

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio*

*sponsored by J & J Sew N Vac*

This charming and unique little drawstring bag is cleverly designed to lay flat for easy storage or travel, then Zip to Shape when you're ready to use it. It features a decorative band around the exterior—showcasing some of Linda's Kaleidoscope Designs, inspired by her photography. Like many of Ghee's patterns, the Zip to Shape bag includes a hidden pocket in the bottom for added functionality. A partial zipper is creatively used as a piping detail, while a full zipper forms the structure of the bag. You'll learn a distinctive zipper construction technique that becomes a focal point of this project. It's a quick, easy and fun way that's sure to spark your creativity.

Materials fee includes: Precut fabric, Kaleidoscope design to embellishment, stabilizer, zipper for closure, zipper for trim, draw string, pattern

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$37.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H119X, J135

### **Vintage Tonganoxie Nine-Patch Quilt (BYOF)**

Denise Dacus

*In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Sewing Machines Etc.*

This isn't your average nine-patch! Inspired by a vintage 1930s block, the Tonganoxie Nine-Patch is full of charm, simplicity, and smart construction. In this workshop, you'll use 20 fat quarters and a sew before you cut method to make two blocks at a time an efficient, beginner-friendly technique with polished results. Whether you're working with cheerful 1930s reproduction prints, soft florals, or bold modern fabrics, this quilt transforms beautifully with your unique fabric style. The finished quilt has a cozy, timeless look with just enough twist to keep things interesting.

This class is a little vintage, a little modern, and completely satisfying. Come ready to sew, cut, and

fall in love with this nostalgic beauty. Quilt finishes at 65" x 80". Kit fee includes pattern.

### **Students Bring Your Own Fabric-see supply list**

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$14.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H120X, J136

### **The Stripology Method for Piecing**

Allyson Heidenfelder

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by*

*Chattanooga Sewing Machines*

Join Allyson for a playful and practical class where you'll create a beautiful 16 inch pillow cover using a unique design crafted just for this workshop! This class is all about unlocking the power of the Stripology ruler—your new best friend for cutting with precision and ease. If you've ever felt frustrated that your cuts aren't quite straight or struggled with the cost and confusion of multiple squaring rulers, you're not alone—and we've got the solution!

In this hands-on class, you'll learn how to:

- Cut perfect 1/2" and 1/4" strips with ease
- Square blocks quickly and accurately
- Make crisp, clean Flying Geese units
- Master the art of fussy cutting without the fuss
- You'll also get to explore the Stripology Mini ruler, a smart, cost-effective tool that helps you square blocks from 2" to 6½"—all with just one ruler!

Whether you're new to Stripology or looking to build your skills, this class is packed with helpful tips, techniques, and plenty of "aha!" moments. Come ready to sew, laugh, and leave feeling empowered to cut like a pro!

Material fee: includes all fabric, plus Stripology Squared Mini Ruler

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$70.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H121X, J137

## **THROW BACK Serger Quilt (BYOF)**

Chelsea Swindle

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

THROW BACK is a beginner-friendly quilt pattern, meant to teach you the basics of quilting while also building on your serger skills!

The quilt is made entirely out of quilt backing - which I realize is a little crazy, but also super fun! Quilt backings or "wideback" fabrics are typically 105" - 120" wide. We will be cutting these wide fabrics into long strips that you will then run through your serger, creating super long strips to be cut down into your quilt blocks. The reason for choosing this type of fabric is two-fold.

For those of you new to serging, this is an excellent opportunity to get comfortable using this type of machine by sewing in long stretches. Second, I wanted those of you who are new to quilting to get experience working with backing fabrics and seeing all the wonderful prints that exist and can be used for more than just quilt backing.

Join us for an afternoon of creativity and fun as we create the beautiful THROW BACK quilt.

Materials fee: pattern

**Bring your own fabric; see the supply list below for details.**

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$15.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H122X, J138

## **The ABC's of Rulers for Longarm Quilting**

Handi Quilter Educator

*In the HANDI QUILTER Longarm Studio sponsored by Lebanon Vacuum & Sewing*

If you adore precision and consistency in your quilting, then you will love using design rulers and templates. These handy tools assist in placing designs accurately and stitching them out precisely. Learn to handle rulers and templates safely with the ruler base and Sure Foot, plus how to achieve accuracy with the markings. The spectacular variety of Handi Quilter rulers are sure to inspire your creativity. All class materials including fabric, batting,

and thread will be provided.

*This class will be taught by Handi Quilter National Educator, Teresa Melonson, in Nashville-Lebanon, TN.*

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H114X, J130

## **Cork Voyager Boxed Train Case**

Jessica VanDenburgh

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Have you ever wanted to make a traincase but just didn't know where to start? Join me to make this cool "faux" traincase. Why faux? The unique design and construction of this bag make it an easier more simplified version of a traditional traincase that opens all the way and can be a little challenging to create. But not this one! Perfect for sewing supplies, makeup or anything you want to keep organized in this cute case!

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$37.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H123X, J139

## **Subtle to Stunning: Dyeing White on White Fabric (BYOF)**

Jessica Kaufman

Do you love the look of hand-dyed fabrics? Would you like to take all those puzzling white-on-whites in your stash (or on sale at your local fabric store) and transform them into gorgeous hues and hand dyed effects? You will be blown away by the ease of this technique!

Using fiber reactive dyes and soda ash, you will learn to create saturated, permanent, wash-proof background colors and bring those printed white designs popping out to meet the eye. It truly is

transformational-- lots of "oohs" and "ahhs" will be heard from our classroom!

**Please bring any and all white-on-white cotton fabric you want to transform. Fat Quarters, 1/2 yards, and whole yards are welcome! No guarantees that you'll be able to dye every piece you bring, but we will try. Must be cotton base.**

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$27.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
H118X, J134

### **Fashion, Fit, and Fabric**

Jill McCloy

Accurate measurements and how to take them, a realistic assessment of your figure, and determination of your style are necessary, especially with fitting being the number one frustration in garment sewing. This frustration can be alleviated by choosing the correct pattern and size and reflecting on how to measure. There is much to be learned from the pattern envelope. Two or three patterns may look the same in the illustrations but vary widely in construction.

Knowing how to read the pattern envelope will guide you in deciding which pattern is best for you, your body type, and your skill level. Fitting ease and design ease are both instrumental in choosing fabrics. All these issues will be discussed in detail. Questions are welcome.

Sessions: 1  
Friday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
H117

### **Serging Explained and Simplified**

Jim Suzio

If you have questions about sergers, we have answers! Join expert educator, Jim Suzio, in this interactive lecture where you will learn the basic elements every serger has, the difference between overlock and coverlock stitches, and how a serger can improve your sewing. See finished samples with a variety of serging techniques you will want to try at home.

Sessions: 1

Hands-On  
Friday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
H113

### **Fitting Sleeves for Appearance, Comfort, and Movement**

Susan Luaces

In this class, we explore several body variations that impact the fit of sleeves, from arm size and shape to shoulder joint differences. Understanding these variations is key to achieving sleeves that not only look great but also fit comfortably and allow for full range of motion. We'll focus on Seam Method Alterations that target the sleeve itself, as well as adjustments that also involve the armhole.

Through demonstrations, we'll show how these alterations improve fit, maintain the intended style of the sleeve, ensure a smooth, flattering drape, and enhance both comfort and mobility. By the end of the class, you'll be confident in applying the Seam Method of Alteration to create sleeves that fit beautifully and allow for effortless movement, no matter your body shape.

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

### **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  
Friday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
J131X

### **Essentials for Designing Great Bags**

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  
Friday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
J133

### **Thread-ucation**

Eric Drexler

Break free from the ordinary as Eric introduces you to the exciting world of thread variety. Explore the entire spectrum of Sulky threads, from Sulky Rayons to Bright Neon's, Metallics in four different styles, Glow-in-the-Dark, Fluffy Acrylic, Reflective, Invisible, and top-notch Cottons for Quilting. Gain valuable tips from Eric to ensure success in your thread ventures and discover the myriad ways you can embellish your garments or quilts. Get inspired by captivating samples that will elevate your sewing to new heights. Join us for an exploration of threads that will spark your creativity and open up a world of possibilities!

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

### **Pants Fitting Nuances: Using the Seam Method and a Flexible Curve**

Susan Luaces

Pants are often considered one of the most challenging garments to fit, but with the right approach, they can be tailored to perfection. In this class, we will explore a variety of alterations for different body shapes, helping you achieve a flattering fit regardless of your figure. We'll dive into the body variations that impact pant fit and demonstrate Seam Method Alterations to address some of the most common fitting challenges.

Whether you have a curvy or straight silhouette, the techniques we cover will help you achieve pants that are not only comfortable but also enhance your shape. By the end of the session, you'll have the knowledge and confidence to create pants that fit beautifully and look amazing.

Sessions: 1  
Friday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
J132X

### **Making the Cut: Rotary Cutter Confidence (BYOF)**

Chelsea Swindle

With so many brands, styles and sizes (not to mention really sharp blades), the idea of using a rotary cutter may have your head spinning. This fantastic interactive workshop with Chelsea Swindle, from She Sews Seams, is the confidence boost you need. Chelsea will share her comparison research, show how to properly hold the cutter, and even teach you how to change the blade along with other clever solutions. Practice cutting a basic churn dash block with precise lines and angles that will make piecing at home a cinch.

***Bring your own fabric; see the supply list for details.***

Image courtesy of Amy Smart from Diary of a Quilter.

Sessions: 1  
Hands-On  
Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
K149X

### **Clever Techniques: Serger and Coverstitch**

Linda McGehee

Traditionally, the serger was designed to sew, trim and finish the edges of a seam, encasing the raw edges to prevent fraying or raveling. All of this was

completed in one step when used for garment construction.

The coverstitch machine was primarily used for hemming mostly on knits for a stretchy, durable stitch. By changing the tensions, layering the fabric differently, and using threads from the vast collection available today, it is easy to allow these machines to be a creative outlet for multiple projects.

From quick easy crafts, to handbags, garments, wall-hangings and quilts, let the serger and coverstitch machines become your go-to machine. It's a new adventure with needle and thread for an artistic approach!

Sessions: 1  
Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
K145X

### **Decorative Mending and Embellishment (BYOF)**

Sandra Chandler

Decorative mending and embellishment is a creative and sustainable way to repair clothing. Instead of hiding flaws, it celebrates them by turning repairs into unique, decorative features. This philosophy promotes reducing waste, preserving cherished garments, and embracing the beauty of imperfection.

Decorative mending and embellishment mending aligns with sustainable fashion by extending the life of your clothes, reducing tactile waste in landfills, encouraging a mindful approach to consumption.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$17.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
K147, L163XY

### **Fancy That! Split Seam Embroidered Bow Sweatshirt (BYOF)**

Tamara Evans

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio sponsored by J & J Sew N Vac*

If you are curious about machine embroidery, you have to try this popular trend. Give a regular sweatshirt a bit of flair with an applique bow that creatively opens the side seams, fitting perfectly at

your hips. Expert Tamara Evans will begin with the basics of machine embroidery. Learn about stabilizer, hooping, and techniques for placement and stitching. Class kits will include the Applique Bow design file (in all formats) and instructions from OESD so you can make more fancy sweatshirts at home.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$7.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
K151, L167XY

### **Foot Feats III: 3 Needles, 5 Feet**

Jill McCloy

*In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Sewing Machines Etc.*

Small in size, and big on technique, this elegant yet practical box corner bag is designed to encourage you to play with stitches, fibers and feet. You'll receive good information on standard, twin and wing needles, then put that knowledge to use by embellishing your fabric with numerous procedures. You'll use a twin needle where a wing needle stitch is suggested, then try it with a wing needle and a standard needle. Use some matching threads and some contrasting threads. See how playing stretches your imagination. Add some decorative couching. Learn a simple box corner technique and create a hands lining. Make a twisted cord and bar tack it in place for a simple closure. And, ta-da, you have a perfect little gift bag and lots of new knowledge.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$34.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
K152, L168, M184

### **Creative Bindings (BYOF)**

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Chattanooga Sewing Machines*

You have made the quilt and quilted it, now it's time to add the binding. Hand sewn or machine sewn?

This class will cover both. This is a notebook class for each technique.

Techniques taught:

- Hand sewn
- Perfecting corners
- Piping
- Double Mini Piping
- Flange
- Scallop edges
- Bias binding - do I really need to cut on the bias
- Connecting binding

Adding just that little pizzazz to the edges of your quilt makes the entire quilt stand out. If you have been struggling with binding, or just want to know how to customize the edges of your quilt, this class is for you.

***Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.***

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$17.00

Hands-On

Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

K153, L169XY

### **Serging Simplified: Let's Make an Elegant Wrap (BYOF)**

Jim Suzio

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Have you ever wished you could do two things at the same time? If your answer is yes, then you will want to join fashion designer, Jim Suzio for Serging Simplified. This fantastic multi-tasking machine can sew a seam, while simultaneously trimming the excess fabric and professionally finishing the edge. Jim will cover basic serging techniques as he guides you through making an elegant wool wrap.

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

K154, L170XY

### **Pro-Stitcher Principles**

Handi Quilter Educator

*In the HANDI QUILTER Longarm Studio sponsored by Lebanon Vacuum & Sewing*

Pro-Stitcher is an intuitive computer-guided quilting system designed especially for use with Handi

Quilter longarm quilting machines. Whether finishing your own quilts or considering business opportunities, come see the elegant and precise quilting you can accomplish with this incredible program. Learn from national educator, Teresa Melonson, who will guide you step-by-step through each function. Pro-Stitcher's user-friendly interface simplifies both edge-to-edge and custom block design. All class materials including fabric, batting, and thread will be provided.

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

K146, L162XY

### **Zippy Cork Crossbody Bag**

Lynn Gerard

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Discover the secret to eliminating the "wave" in your zippers in this fun class featuring the Sallie Tomato Zippy pattern. There's nothing more frustrating than finishing a bag only to have the zipper ripple like you're in the upper deck of a ball game. You'll see just how simple zippers can be and gain the confidence to incorporate them into your future projects. We'll cover time-saving tips and versatile techniques you can apply to many other sewing projects.

You'll receive a complete kit with everything you need to create your own Crossbody Bag—and you'll leave class wearing it! Each piece in your kit will be clearly labeled and ready to use, with all hardware and rivets included.

Sessions: 4

Materials: \$46.00

Hands-On

Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

K155, L171, M186

### **Barn Quilt Painting**

Carol Mitchell

Join us for a hands-on experience where you'll learn to design, paint, and finish your very own 2x2 ft outdoor barn quilt in just 4 hours.

Led by our skilled instructor, this workshop provides everything you need to create a stunning barn quilt.

Choose from 9 different sample designs, each offering a unique pattern to suit your style. Learn the complete method of drawing out your design on the quilt board and applying paint in your chosen colors to bring your vision to life.

All supplies, including the quilt board, paints, brushes, and finishing materials, are provided by the instructor. Whether you're a beginner or seasoned crafter, you'll receive step-by-step guidance to ensure your barn quilt turns out beautifully.

Take home not only a personalized outdoor barn quilt but also the knowledge and skills to continue creating these charming pieces of art. Join us for a fun and fulfilling workshop that combines creativity, craftsmanship, and the joy of making something uniquely yours!

Sessions: 4  
Materials: \$87.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
K150, L166, M182

### **Baby Your Baby: Singer Featherweight Maintenance**

Eric Drexler  
Eric Drexler has been a sewing machine mechanic for over 35 years, and he wants to share his love and knowledge for, what he considers his “Baby”, the Singer 221 Featherweight. Eric will walk you through how to take off all the covers, where to oil and what to watch out for. Your “Baby” will look and run a lot better. Bring yours or watch as he demonstrates on his own machine. There will be a camera and projector set up so everyone can see.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$7.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
K148, L164, M180

### **Foundation Paper Piecing: Designing Your Own Patterns**

Jaymi Horne  
Unlock your creativity with Foundation Paper Piecing! In this lecture, learn the fundamentals of designing your own FPP patterns, from concept to completion.

Perfect for quilters ready to take their skills to the next level

Materials fee: Printed quilt block pattern

Sessions: 1  
Materials: \$7.00  
Friday 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM  
L165XY

### **Pattern Alterations for Posture Issues: Fitting Forward, Rounded Shoulders**

Susan Luaces

In this class, you'll see demonstrations of how to identify posture issues and alter patterns using the Seam Method to accommodate a variety of common posture issues, ensuring your garments fit and flatter your unique body shape. Whether you're dealing with forward shoulders, a rounded upper back, or a sway back, this class will teach you the techniques you need to create custom-fit patterns that work with your posture, not against it.

**Forward Shoulder Joint:** Learn how to adjust patterns to accommodate shoulders that slope forward. Understand how to move shoulder seams and adjust armhole placements for comfort and mobility.

**Forward Head:** Discover how to modify necklines and shoulder seams for those with a forward head posture. These adjustments will help improve the alignment and comfort of your garments.

**Dowager Curve:** Learn how to make pattern alterations for a pronounced curve in the upper back, near the base of the neck. You'll explore adjustments to back necklines, yokes, and darts for a better fit.

**Rounded Upper Back:** Explore techniques to adjust patterns for a rounded upper back, including adding extra room across the upper back and shoulders.

**Sway Back:** Learn how to address a sway back posture by making adjustments to the back waist, ensuring the fit is flattering without excess fabric pooling in the lower back area.

By the end of this class, you'll understand successful techniques to alter patterns to accommodate specific posture-related fit issues, resulting in garments that are not only comfortable but also enhance the wearers natural alignment. Whether



you're sewing for yourself or others, these techniques will elevate your pattern fitting skills and ensure your garments look and feel their best.

Sessions: 1  
Friday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
L161

### **Made with Minky**

Allyson Heidenfelder

Soft, snuggly, and oh-so-cozy—Minky is a dream fabric that can sometimes feel like a nightmare to sew... until now! Join Allyson for a lecture that will take the mystery out of minky and show you how to create beautiful, professional-looking projects with ease. I'll be demonstrating with Cuddle® by Shannon Fabrics, the leading brand in minky, known for its exceptional quality and lush feel. Whether you've been hesitant to try sewing with minky or want to improve your techniques, this class is packed with expert guidance.

What you'll learn:

- What makes Cuddle® minky different—and why it matters
- Expert tips for cutting and stitching without the slip and stretch
- How to piece with the all-new Quilting Cuddle®—yes, you can quilt with minky!
- Techniques for binding with minky for that soft, polished finish
- You'll leave with new skills, boosted confidence, and a serious love for this plush and versatile fabric.

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

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**Saturday 10/4/2025**

### **No-Sew Woven Fabric Basket**

Jaymi Horne

Let's make a useful fabric basket with no sewing! Choose from a selection of included fabric prints and have fun making a practical storage basket! You'll learn how to get started, and techniques for finishing

off and adding handles. You'll want a basket for every room in your home!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$24.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Q227X, R243

### **Continuous Line Quilting with the Embroidery Machine**

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio  
sponsored by J & J Sew N Vac*

Did you know you could use your embroidery machine as a quilting machine? Come join us and we will discuss how to find designs and how to edit them to fit your project.

You'll create a small wall hanging while learning how to hoop and connect the quilting patterns when stitching. After you create the wall hanging, I will discuss how to create templates for placement, go over the newest items on the market that make this modern way of quilting easy, plus talk about the features of the embroidery machines that make continuous quilting fast and easy.

You'll leave class with a beautiful wall hanging—completely quilted on your embroidery machine!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$29.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Q231X, R247

### **English Paper Piecing by Machine (BYOF)**

Angie Lamoree

*In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Sewing Machines Etc.*

The hexagon or honeycomb pattern for quilts dates back to the 18th century where paper templates were used for forming more perfect patchwork. More than 200 years later, we are still fascinated by English Paper Piecing. Quilt shop owner and expert instructor, Angie Lamoree, will teach you the time-honored basics for preparing the fabric and paper forms, plus her modern method for piecing the tiny blocks on a sewing machine.

Materials fee: pattern

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$10.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q232X, R248

### **Little Hollies Miniature Quilt**

Jill McCloy

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Chattanooga Sewing Machines*

Start with a perfectly paper pieced background, right up to the final border. Apply the stem. Create dimensional leaves. Raw edged hollyhocks may be gathered by machine or by hand. The tiny green buds are little green buttons. Choose yellow or green buttons to enhance the flower center. Buttons may be stitched on by machine or by hand.

Approximate finished quilt size: 8 inches x 11 1/2 inches

You will receive the pattern to make the Little Garden Angel to make at home.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$34.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q233X, R249

### **Serger School**

Jim Suzio

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

It's just like Driver's Ed only for sergers, and definitely more exciting with expert designer Jim Suzio as your guide. Buckle up as you learn to start, stop, slow down, turn inside corners, and more. We'll thread the serger with four different colors to follow the stitch paths and talk about maintenance to keep your machine humming. Class kits will include an assortment of fabrics for practice like knit, fleece, linen, silk, cotton and batting, even elastic. Whether a new owner or in need of a refresher course, this is your license to join Jim's sew-trip, ask questions, and enjoy being in the driver's seat with your serger.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$25.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q234X, R250

### **Your Free-Motion Quilting Adventure**

Handi Quilter Educator

*In the HANDI QUILTER Longarm Studio sponsored by Lebanon Vacuum & Sewing*

Quilters everywhere LOVE the excitement and fun of free-motion quilting—and it's easier than you think! Create flowing designs by connecting simple elements with continuous lines that travel across the quilt or fill a specific area. Learn how drawing and muscle memory contribute to beautiful quilting with skill-building techniques. All class materials including fabric, batting, and thread will be provided.

*This class will be taught by Handi Quilter National Educator, Teresa Melonson, in Nashville-Lebanon, TN.*

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q226X, R242

### **Embrilliance Software Essentials-Laptop Required**

Libby Ashcraft

Learn the basics of this versatile embroidery software. We will explore the most useful features of this software. What are BX fonts and how do you use them? Learn how to use color sort, edit text, merge designs, resize design and more! There is something for users of all. **Laptop required!**

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q229X, R245

### **Exquisite Paper Piecing with Sulky**

Eric Drexler

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Paper piecing is the easy way to get perfect looking quilt blocks. If you have paper piecing experience or not, Eric will show you how to make it even easier with his secrets, and bit less messy with a few Sulky products that make it effortless.

Eric will also cover threads, batting, needles, and other gadgets that help. After you learn these simple steps and tricks you can be on your way to more intricate quilt blocks. The options are endless with paper piecing because it's a fast and accurate way to make tops for all sorts of projects from table runners and placemats to baby and bed quilts.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$22.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q235X, R251

### **Ice Dye Next Level: Fancy Folds & Advanced Results (BYOF)**

Jessica Kaufman

This class is a Level Two, Ice Dye Class for those who have dabbled with ice dyeing before. I'll teach more advanced folds to those who have already learned the basic scrunch & spiral, and we'll get into the nitty gritty details of what makes truly knock out, stunning ice dyed fabrics! Whether you want to make one giant mandala or 16-pointed star, or you just want to master those repeating geometric parallel folds. This class will surely get you on your way to making professional-level, one of a kind dyed fabric. Taught by a professional dyer with 20+ years, and experience helping others get their best work yet!

**For this session, students will not be provided with a take-home container for washing projects out, Please bring your own flat-bottomed, clear plastic container or small bin, shoe-box or printer paper sizes work great. Bring multiple containers if you plan to do multiple projects. Please bring regular weight quilters cotton fabric, nothing too heavy. 44" to 60" wide works great! You can also bring garments (old t-shirts, cotton aprons or napkins) to dye if you prefer.**

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q230X, R246

### **Boot Camp: The Seam Method of Pattern Alteration**

Susan Luaces

In this intensive workshop, you'll learn the essential steps of the Seam Method of pattern alteration, with a focus on creating alterations and making precise changes where they're needed most. You'll learn how to approach pattern alterations in the correct order, ensuring that modifications are made in the right areas without unintentionally affecting other parts of the pattern.

We'll start by practicing how to release seam allowances and create hinges, the foundations for applying the Seam Method. Next, we'll explore several common figure variations and demonstrate how to apply the Seam Method to tailor patterns for a perfect fit. You'll then have the opportunity to practice these techniques on half-scale patterns, honing your skills and gaining confidence in making alterations.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$24.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q228X, R244

### **Hawaiian Quilting: History, Tradition, and Aloha in Every Stitch**

Karen Barry

Discover the rich history and unique artistry of Hawaiian-style quilting in this engaging lecture. We'll explore how this distinctive form of applique quilting emerged in the 19th century, blending Western influences with deep Hawaiian cultural roots. Learn about the symbolism behind the bold, symmetrical designs, the traditions of hand-quilting, and the stories these quilts continue to tell.

This presentation features a PowerPoint with historical images and design evolution, plus a close-up look at several Hawaiian quilts, including vintage examples. You'll gain insight into the cultural significance of these quilts and the techniques that make them so enduring and meaningful.

Whether you're curious about trying Hawaiian applique yourself or simply want to deepen your appreciation for its beauty and legacy, this lecture offers a heartfelt introduction to the tradition infused with plenty of aloha.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Q225

### **From Worn to Warm: My Journey with Denim Quilts**

Sandra Chandler

What happens when a mother of four sits surrounded by a pile of old jeans and says, “I’m gonna use what I’ve got”? You get a creative journey stitched with memory, style, and soul. In this one-hour lecture, fiber artist Sandra Lee Chandler takes you through her 15-year love story with denim—how upcycling her family’s worn-out jeans led to a powerful practice of quilting, storytelling, and fashion design.

Sandra shares how she sees denim not just as fabric, but as history: the fades, tears, and wear tell stories all their own. From bold art quilts that honor Black pioneers and personal legacy, to fierce wearable fashions that celebrate women of every shape and shade, you’ll see how deconstructed denim becomes something beautiful and bold.

Whether you're a maker, a lover of textiles, or someone drawn to meaningful creative reuse, this lecture will leave you feeling inspired, empowered, and ready to start your own journey — from worn to warm.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

R241

### **Quilt As Desired: Why Quilting Plans Matter**

HollyAnne Knight

It’s all well and good to want to quilt your own quilts, but what the heck do you quilt where? If you’re unsure how to choose a quilting design for your quilt top or how to add a special custom touch with free-motion quilting, join HollyAnne Knight of String & Story as she takes the fear out of those three little words “Quilt As Desired.” Learn what a quilting plan is all about and how to start one for your next quilt. Time permitting, HollyAnne will share suggestions for one or two lucky class members unfinished quilts.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

S261X

### **Do You Have the Right Serger Feet?**

LuAnn Hartley

So, you've figured out how to use the stitches on your overlock machine, but what about all those accessory feet that are available? Join us for this lecture demonstration where we will talk about all the different feet and show you how to use them. Many of them have multiple techniques that can be used with just one foot. There will also be a mini trunk show with projects that were created using the serger and the accessory feet. The accessories we will showcase include the blindstitch, elasticator, cording, beading, curved beading, piping, gathering, taping and more. Don't miss this informative lecture demonstration to see how these accessories can be applied to your projects.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

S259

### **Embroidered Starlight Gardenia**

Jim Suzio

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio*

*sponsored by J & J Sew N Vac*

The third entry in our blossom series, a sparkling rendition of a gardenia blossom. Created in layers, with a new additional twist. The perfect home for an LED tealight to create that magical setting.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S263, T279X

### **Florescia: A Modern Half Rectangle Triangle Quilt (BYOF)**

Denise Dacus

*In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Sewing Machines Etc.*

Give your layer cake a bold, modern edge with Half-Rectangle Triangles! In this hands-on workshop, we’ll use the Creative Grids HRT Trim Tool to turn 10" squares into sharp, graphic blocks that feel fresh and contemporary. No math stress or weird templates, just clean lines, clever design, and lots of creativity. You’ll learn how to cut, piece, and trim HRTs with precision using this versatile ruler, plus explore modern layout options that let your fabric do the talking. Whether your vibe is minimalist or high-

contrast drama, this quilt is endlessly customizable and super satisfying to make.

**What You'll Learn:**

- How to use the Creative Grids HRT Trim Tool for accurate cutting and trimming
- Piecing techniques for perfect angles and crisp seams
- Modern layout ideas with bold, eye-catching results
- Tips for organizing, pressing, and assembling your quilt top

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$42.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S264, T280X

**Free Motion Quilting Made Easy**

Eric Drexler

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Chattanooga Sewing Machines*

Instead of sending that quilt to the longarmer who charges an arm and a leg, why not do it yourself? Eric will show you several great ways to make Free Motion quilting easier and faster. Learn about time saving tools and a few secret tips to produce that professional look. Beginners or experienced quilters will benefit from these free motion exercises. As a bonus you get to play with some different types and weights of thread for a unique look.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$22.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S265, T281X

**Simple Serger T-Shirt Blanket (BYOF)**

Jaymi Horne

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Have a stack of cherished t-shirts but unsure what to do with them? Join Jaymi and learn to transform your favorite tees into a cozy and cherished blanket using just a serger – no interfacing or quilting required!

In this hands-on workshop, you'll discover the art of creating a personalized t-shirt throw that preserves

memories and keeps you warm. Our expert instructor will guide you through the process step-by-step, from preparing and cutting your t-shirts to efficiently serging them together into a seamless and durable blanket. Learn essential serging techniques, including handling different fabric types and achieving smooth, professional finishes.

Whether you're a beginner or seasoned sewer, this class offers a fun and rewarding way to repurpose your t-shirt collection into a functional and sentimental keepsake. Gain confidence in using a serger for garment construction while creating a unique blanket that tells your story.

**Bring your own fabric; see the supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$14.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S266, T282X

**The ABC's of Rulers for Longarm Quilting**

Handi Quilter Educator

*In the HANDI QUILTER Longarm Studio sponsored by Lebanon Vacuum & Sewing*

If you adore precision and consistency in your quilting, then you will love using design rulers and templates. These handy tools assist in placing designs accurately and stitching them out precisely. Learn to handle rulers and templates safely with the ruler base and Sure Foot, plus how to achieve accuracy with the markings. The spectacular variety of Handi Quilter rulers are sure to inspire your creativity. All class materials including fabric, batting, and thread will be provided.

*This class will be taught by Handi Quilter National Educator, Teresa Melonson, in Nashville-Lebanon, TN.*

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S258, T274X

**Embroidered Temari Chrysanthemum**

Jill McCloy

In Japan, Temari means hand ball. What an understatement. Temari are beautiful, creative hand embroideries in the round and are treasured as special gifts of friendship and respect. The traditional rice hull ball and rattle will first be created. You will learn to divide the ball into sections using a narrow strip of paper and (yippee!) no math. The sections are highlighted with metallic thread such as Cresta d'Oro and the lovely Chrysanthemum design stitched, then highlighted with a pretty wrapped and couched obi. Many samples will be on display to inspire. Jill began temari in 1985, studying under Kazuko Yamamoto, a respected temari master from Tokyo, Japan.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$28.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
S257, T273X

### **Unconventional Sewing: The Dishmat Tote (BYOF)**

Chelsea Swindle

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Juki Junkies*

Join us as we turn everyday dish-drying mats into a beautiful tote! Our goal is to make sewing accessible to everyone, regardless of budget constraints. This is a hands-on class that will teach you basic bag construction while discussing the use of unconventional items that can be used for sewing.

The goal is for each student to walk away with a fully completed, functional bag that they can take to the exhibit floor and show off while stuffing it with all sorts of newly purchased goodies! Perfect for sewists at any stage of their journey, this class offers valuable insights:

- For Beginners: Gain confidence on how to work with budget-friendly materials. Learn foundational techniques and practical tips for creating useful items without spending a fortune.

- For Experienced Sewists: Discover creative ways to utilize everyday items in your sewing projects. Whether you're teaching a friend or family member or looking to expand your own creative horizons, this class will inspire you.

Materials fee: pattern

**Bring your own fabric; see the supply list below for details.**

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$17.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
S267, T283X

### **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  
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
S262, T278X

## **Hand Embroidery from the 50s and 60s**

Sandra Chandler

In this hands on workshop, you'll learn basic embroidery techniques. By the end of the class, you'll have completed your own design on a white fabric bag.

Material fee: Fabric bag, embroidery needles, embroidery thread, transfer sheet, design templates

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$47.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S260, T276X

In this lecture, you'll discover:

- How to cut precise 1/2" and 1/4" strips consistently
- Tricks for squaring blocks with speed and accuracy
- How to make flying geese with less waste and more wow
- Simple strategies for fussy cutting using the ruler's grid

Sessions: 1

Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

T277

## **Serger & Coverhem Accessories**

LuAnn Hartley

Both of these machines have accessories available to help you with your projects. In this lecture/demo we will talk about all of the different feet and show you how to use them. Some of the accessories for the serger include: blindstitch, elasticator, cording, beading, curved beading, piping, gathering, and taping. See how easy these are to use and when to use them. What is a Coverstitch? We will talk about why you would want a Coverstitch machine and what they do. See a demo of the accessories available including the belt loop foot, clear chain stitch foot, coverhem guide (2 different options), and the double fold bias binder attachment. A mini trunk show is also included.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

T275X

## **Stripology Basics for Fabric Cutting**

Allyson Heidenfelder

Tired of wonky cuts and ruler frustration? Ready to fall in love with cutting fabric again? Join us for a fast-paced, info-packed lecture all about the magic of the Stripology Ruler system and how it can totally transform the way you cut and piece! Designed for quilters of all experience levels, this hour-long session will walk you through clever, time-saving techniques using the Stripology ruler. You'll see how it simplifies everything from basic strip cutting to block squaring and even advanced techniques like flying geese and fussy cutting.