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## MORE THE DAY BEFORE Wednesday 5/1/2024

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### About "More the Day Before"

Immerse yourself in a all-day workshop 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.

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### Quilt on a Chair (MDB)

Dianne Springer

*In the Brother Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Unleash your creativity in this wildly enjoyable class where participants embark on the adventure of transforming a simple folding chair into a cozy masterpiece that reflects your own unique style and personality.

Explore the world of sewing and basic upholstery techniques as you bring your vision to life, guided by expert instruction. From selecting fabrics to quilting and upholstering, you will learn everything you need to know to create a one-of-a-kind quilted folding chair that will be the envy of all.

But the fun does not stop there! Let your imagination run wild as you ponder where else you can infuse the magic of quilts. Could it be on a clock? A clipboard? The possibilities are endless!

Join us and unleash your creativity as you discover the boundless opportunities for quilted artistry. You do not want to miss out on this exciting adventure!

Sessions: 8  
Materials: \$71.00  
Hands-On  
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
MDB303X, MDB363X

### Embroider Your Way to Adventure (MDB)

Classic Sewing Educator

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Whether you are planning an exciting new adventure or simply dreaming of one, we have got you covered! Join us as we guide you through the art of embroidering essential travel items, ensuring you are not just ready to go, but ready to go *in style*.

In this immersive workshop, we will explore the world of embroidery while creating travel accessories including monogrammed leather luggage tags that scream sophistication, a versatile cosmetic or toiletry bag for your essentials, and a chic straw sun visor for those sunny escapades. As a bonus, personalize your travel experience further by choosing between a fabulous jewelry or cord keeper, adorned with the magic of embroidery.

Throughout the day, you will gain invaluable insights into the proper techniques for stabilizing and embroidering various materials, including leather, straw, and waffle weave fabric. Our expert instructors will guide you every step of the way, ensuring your travel accessories are not only practical but also a testament to your unique style.

Stop dreaming of your next adventure—stitch it into reality with *Embroider Your Way to Adventure*. Join us for a day of creativity, learning, and the anticipation of the exciting journeys ahead!

*This class will be taught by Kelly Williams and Kathy McMakin in New Orleans, LA*

Sessions: 9  
Materials: \$75.00  
Hands-On  
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
MDB301X, MDB361X

### Walking Foot Quilting: BEYOND the Ditch (BYOF) (MDB)

Catherine Redford

*In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Who says quilting has to be done on a longarm? Learn how to finish your quilts on your domestic sewing machine while enjoying all the control your walking foot has to offer. We will cover the preparation basics to get you started, then you will make several stitched samples with different quilting styles that can all be achieved with your walking foot. You will learn traditional crosshatch grid quilting, modern matchstick quilting, how to combine stitches, and how the beautiful serpentine stitch will

elevate your technique to create beautiful organic curves. In no time, you will be executing sharp turns and making accurate straight line polygon spirals and circular spirals that will allow you to finish your quilts in the comfort of your home on your domestic sewing machine. **Bring your own fabric; see the supply list for details.**

**Please note:** this day-long class provides the same information as the combination of Catherines two 3-hour walking foot quilting classes, *Walking Foot Quilting: Get Out of the Ditch* and *Walking Foot Quilting: Organic Curves and Super Spirals*.

Sessions: 9  
Materials: \$22.00  
Hands-On  
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
MDB302X, MDB362X

### **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  
MDB300X, MDB360X

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## Thursday 5/2/2024

### **ScanNCut Essentials: Back to Basics**

Courtney Douthat  
*In the Brother ScanNCut Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*  
Unlock the full potential of your Brother ScanNCut in this beginner-friendly class, where we break down functions and answer the most frequently asked questions. From understanding mysterious buttons to setting up seamless wifi connectivity, we will demystify the ScanNCut experience. Learn the ins and outs of importing designs and gain confidence in navigating this cutting-edge tool.

But it is not just about theory – put your newfound knowledge to the test as you create a custom koozie using Heat Transfer Vinyl (HTV) and the techniques learned in class. This hands-on session ensures that you not only understand the basics but also leave with a tangible creation showcasing your new ScanNCut knowledge. Join us for a fun and informative journey into ScanNCut 101: Back to Basics!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$7.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
A 9X, B25

### **Foundation Paper Piecing with Legit Kits: Beginner**

Legit Kits Ambassador  
*In the Janome Studio sponsored by All About Sewing - Inspiration Sewing Center*  
Embark on an exciting quilting journey with our Building Blocks mini quilt class! Discover the revolutionary block approach crafted by Legit Kits and unravel the secrets to frustration-free sewing. No curves or Y seams are involved, just pure quilting joy! The Building Blocks mini quilt features 24 vibrant shades of Kona solids, creating a stunning piece with remarkable depth that will leave onlookers marveling at its dimensions. Our class not only guides you through organizing your kit but also takes you step by step through the piecing process, ensuring you master the assembly of this beautiful 15 x 20-inch work of art. Perfect for beginners. This class is designed to make the learning process enjoyable and rewarding. Get ready to bring your quilting skills to new heights with the Building Blocks mini quilt class!

*This class will be taught by Deb Atchison in New Orleans, LA*

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$61.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
A 8X, B24

### **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

Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

A 2X, B18

### **Dragonfly Moon Mini (BYOF)**

Jill McCloy

*In the Brother Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

A trio of dragonflies flirt with the moon on this little charmer. Tapered satin stitch branches hold luscious willow leaves. The dragonfly wings are enhanced with delicate stitching. You'll learn a nifty mitering technique as well as some free motion stitching. Not a free motion fan? You may achieve the same look with your standard sewing foot and feed dogs. The choice is yours! There is even a trick for turning the quilt. If you would like sparkling eyes, bring some little beads. The small dragonflies need size 11 seed beads, you can go a bit bigger for the larger dragonfly. **Bring your own fabric; see the supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$14.00

Hands-On

Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

A 6X, B22

### **3 Yard Serger Quilt**

Joyce Keske

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

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 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

A 7X, B23

### **Hot Off the Hoop: Embroidered Hot Pads**

Melissa Bryan

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Spice up your kitchen with our sizzling new class, *Hot Off the Hoop!* Go on an exciting embroidery adventure where creativity seamlessly merges with functionality. Discover the secrets to crafting the coolest (*and hottest*) in-the-hoop embroidered hot pads that will not only add flair to your kitchen but also serve as functional, heat-resistant masterpieces.

In this workshop, you will explore the art of piecing fabric directly in-the-hoop on an embroidery machine, ensuring a seamless and professional finish. Uncover the correct heat-resistant materials that guarantee the functionality of your hot pads while maintaining a stylish aesthetic. Learn the ins and outs of adding quilting in-the-hoop, creating a textured and visually appealing surface for your hot pads.

Our experienced instructor will guide you through the selection of the correct stabilizer, ensuring the longevity and durability of your hot pads for long-term use. Join us for *Hot Off the Hoop* and elevate your embroidery skills as you create personalized and practical hot pads that will be the envy of your kitchen!

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$20.00

Hands-On

Thursday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

A 4 X

### **Free Motion Quilting Steps to Success (BYOF)**

Catherine Redford

*In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Discover the magic of free motion quilting. We will start with putting pens to paper to learn how to combine basic shapes to create a variety of interesting quilting designs. Once you are comfortable with drawing the shapes on paper, we will put the feed dogs down and learn how to translate these designs onto fabric using pre-made quilt sandwiches. You will have the opportunity to try lots of different designs to find your personal favorites in this relaxed, no-criticism-allowed setting. You will leave with a variety of samples to practice at home and the confidence to do so. **Bring your own fabric; see the supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$8.00

Hands-On

Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

A 5X, B21

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

### **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 1

### **Stitching Stories: In-the-Hoop Quilt Block Magic**

Melissa Bryan

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Take an enchanting journey into the world of quilting with a creative twist in our workshop, *Stitching Stories*. Join us for a captivating experience where the magic of piecing quilt blocks comes to life right in the hoop of your embroidery machine. Unleash your inner quilter as we guide you through the process of creating beautiful, intricate quilt blocks seamlessly stitched with love.

In this workshop, you will explore in-the-hoop embroidery techniques that bring quilt blocks to life with precision and ease. Discover the art of selecting

coordinating fabrics to create harmonious quilt block masterpieces and learn the secrets of aligning and connecting fabric pieces flawlessly within the hoop. Our skilled instructor will also share insights into proper stabilization, ensuring your quilt blocks are not only stunning but also durable.

This class is perfect for quilters eager to explore the world of in-the-hoop quilt block piecing, embroidery enthusiasts looking to expand their creative repertoire with quilting techniques, and anyone who loves the idea of crafting a quilt block masterpiece without the need for traditional piecing. Join us for *Stitching Stories* and let your quilting journey unfold with a touch of magical creativity.

Sessions: 2  
Materials: \$20.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
B20X

### **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  
Thursday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
B17X

### **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 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
B19

### **The Lotus Blossom**

Jim Suzio

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Three-dimensional machine embroidery is gaining popularity among enthusiasts. Jim has produced a way for you to recreate this 3D lotus flower that literally blooms before your eyes upon completion- all done in-the-hoop on an embroidery machine! Use it as a stunning centerpiece on the table for your next family gathering or make several and add a *battery operated* tea light candle to the middle to create some unique mood lighting around the room. It is truly the perfect accent for any event and is sure to be the topic of conversation among your family and friends.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$19.00

Hands-On

Thursday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

C36X, D52

### **Quilt Express: Time-Saving Techniques with the ScanNCut**

Courtney Douthat

*In the Brother ScanNCut Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Discover the magic of quilting with efficiency in this class dedicated to showcasing how the Brother ScanNCut becomes a quilter's best friend. Dive into the world of precise quilt block cutting and explore the unique ability to add seam allowances to any shape instantly and easily with the ScanNCut. Uncover expert tips and tricks to ensure that every fabric cut is flawless, saving you valuable time on your quilting projects.

In this hands-on session, we will put your newfound skills to the test as you create a charming, quilted mug rug. Witness firsthand how the ScanNCut transforms the quilting process, making it not only quicker but also more enjoyable. Join us as Courtney demonstrates how you can quilt in less time with the ScanNCut and elevate your quilting experience with this innovative and time-saving tool

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$12.00

Hands-On

Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

C41, D57XY

### **3D Floating Thread Tree**

Eric Drexler

*In the Janome Studio sponsored by All About Sewing - Inspiration Sewing Center*

Dive into Dimension: Create a Stunning 3D Tree with Eric! Join Eric as he guides you through the art of creating a unique three-dimensional tree using Sulky water-soluble stabilizers and Sulky Rayon threads. Learn to fashion distinctive leaves from cotton fabric, enhanced with the vibrant hues of Sulky Cotton

Blendables. This delightful project not only adds a pop of creativity to your quilts or wearables but also serves as a fantastic opportunity to hone your free-motion skills. Discover the endless possibilities when you drop your feed dogs and be inspired by Eric's showcase of other captivating examples using this innovative technique. A fun and easy way to elevate your sewing experience!

Sessions: 4

Materials: \$24.00

Hands-On

Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

C40, D56, E72

### **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

C34, D50, E66

### **Two-in-One Bag**

Joyce Keske

*In the Brother Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Introducing the *Two-in-One Bag* - a must for those in search of a simple yet stylish companion for sewing retreats or cruises. Learn to create a versatile bag that effortlessly shifts from a chic shoulder bag to a practical backpack in mere moments, ensuring convenience wherever your adventures take you.

This versatile bag is designed with your needs in mind, featuring zippered pockets to safeguard your important items while keeping them easily accessible. Whether

you are navigating a sewing retreat or venturing on a cruise, this bag is the epitome of functionality and fashion.

Join us to master the art of creating a bag that seamlessly adapts to your needs. Elevate your sewing skills while fashioning a bag that is as versatile as it is stylish. Make the *Two-in-One Bag* your next sewing endeavor and embark on a journey of practical elegance today!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$27.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C38, D54XY

### **Inspiring Serger Confidence**

Kathy McMakin

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

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: 4  
Materials: \$15.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C39, D55XY

### **Dorset Feather Elegance: Hand-Embroidered Needle Case**

Catherine Redford

Step into the world of mid-20th century needlework with our class inspired by the work of the talented needlewoman, Olivia Pass. Join us as we explore the art of Dorset Button Stitchery, where you will master the basic four stitches—chain, buttonhole, single, and double feather stitches—while creating a practical and charming needle case.

Originally employed to embellish the smocks of rural workers, these stitches are now transformed into lovely motifs that elevate your needlework to new heights. Immerse yourself in the elegance of Dorset Button Stitchery as you bring a touch of vintage charm to your crafting repertoire.

Under the guidance of our experienced instructor, you will not only create a beautiful needle case but also gain a deeper appreciation for the historical significance of

these stitches. Join us for a class that blends tradition with creativity, allowing you to stitch your way into the timeless elegance of Dorset Button Stitchery.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$37.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C33, D49XY

### **What Time is It?**

Dianne Springer

*In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

It is time to quilt a clock in this hands-on workshop where quilting meets liberation and creativity knows no bounds! In this exciting class, participants will embark on a journey to create a unique 12-inch quilt square that will be beautifully showcased within an acrylic frame.

Say goodbye to uptight, meticulously precise quilting techniques, and embrace the freedom of the *Liberated Star* technique. This approach is not only fun and easy but also surprisingly quick, making it the perfect choice for quilters who want to add a touch of whimsy to their projects without sacrificing quality.

By the end of the class, you will have completed a charming clock design that is ready to adorn your home, adding a dash of personality and flair to any space. You do not want to miss out on the opportunity to liberate your quilting style and create something truly special—all while having a fantastic time in the process!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$57.00  
Hands-On  
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
C37, D53XY

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

## **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

Thursday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
D51

## **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

Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
E67

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# **Friday 5/3/2024**

## **Fabric Design Fundamentals: Design & Print Basics**

Courtney Douthat

*In the Brother ScanNCut Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Step into the exciting world of fabric design in this class where your imagination takes center stage. Explore the innovative capabilities of the NEW Brother PrintModa fabric printer, and dive into the intricacies of the Artspira app, an exciting tool that brings your pictures, designs, and ideas to life on fabric.

In this immersive session, learn the art of combining technology and creativity to craft your own unique fabric. Watch as your personalized design transforms into a tangible masterpiece during the class, culminating in the creation of a custom zipper pouch using the fabric you designed. It is time to unleash your inner fabric designer and turn your visions into reality with Brother PrintModa and Artspira!

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$12.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
H121X, J137

## **Goin' Commando**

Dianne Springer

*In the Janome Studio sponsored by All About Sewing - Inspiration Sewing Center*

Welcome to *Goin' Commando*, where fashion meets freedom! In this empowering class, each student will embark on a journey to create a stunning dress using luxurious fabrics that speak to their individual style.

Whether you prefer to dress it up with accessories or embrace the simplicity of going "commando," this versatile garment will be your go-to attire for any occasion, day or night.

Under expert guidance, you will learn essential dressmaking techniques, from pattern selection to construction, ensuring a perfect fit and flawless finish. With the freedom to customize your design with the accoutrements of your choice—or none at all—you will unleash your creativity and create a dress that truly embodies your unique personality and fashion sensibilities.

Join us and discover the joy of sewing a dress that empowers you to express yourself confidently, wherever life takes you!

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$70.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
H120X, J136

## **Foundation Paper Piecing with Legit Kits: Hazy Hills**

Legit Kits Ambassador

*In the Brother Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Elevate your Foundation Paper Piecing skills in our exclusive Hazy Hills series class! 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 mini quilt, and by the end of the class, you will leave with the confidence to complete the quilt on your own. Discover how Foundation Paper Piecing can be both easy and enjoyable!

Hazy Hills, composed of 49 shades of Kona solids, packs a mountainous impression in a small package, like dynamite. 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 seamlessly integrated into two additional Legit Kits (*not included in the class kit*) to construct a 15 x 60-inch wall-size masterpiece. Additional kits are available in the Legit Kits booth. Whether hung separately or as a three-piece design, your Hazy Hills creation will leave a lasting impact!

*This class will be taught by Deb Atchison in New Orleans, LA*

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$61.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
H118X, J134

### **Understanding the Anatomy of Your Serger**

Joyce Keske

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

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  
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
H119X, J135

### **French Quarter Pillow (BYOF)**

Jill McCloy

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Capture the spirit of New Orleans with this French Quarter Pillow, where the vibrant French Quarter becomes the muse for a delightful and embellished home decor project. Inspired by the eclectic charm of NOLA, this sweet pillow features a medley of techniques that promise both creativity and flair.

Join us to explore a mix of hooped embroidery, twin needle pin tucks, a cleverly rotated stitch technique, machine embroidery, lace inserts, and a touch of hand beading. As a finishing touch, we'll indulge in the art of piping, adding a touch of sophistication to your creation.

This small yet intricately embellished project is designed to transport a bit of the French Quarter magic into your boudoir. Join Jill and stitch together this gorgeous pillow to liven up your home with the charm and spirit of NOLA, creating a unique piece that beautifully blends various techniques into a harmonious and stylish pillow. Do not miss this opportunity to add a touch of the French Quarter's allure to your home décor! **Bring your own fabric; see the supply list for details**

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$14.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
H116X, J132

### **Walking Foot Quilting: Get out of the Ditch (BYOF)**

Catherine Redford

*In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Discover the art of quilting with your walking foot as you elevate your technique to new heights! Catherine will guide you through the process of embellishing your quilts with beautiful organic curves, breaking away from traditional straight lines. Learn to execute sharp turns and create precise straight line polygon spirals, adding dynamic movement to your quilting projects.

In this class, you will unlock the potential of your domestic machine, harnessing the control of your walking foot to finish your quilts with a touch of sophistication. Dive into essential preparation techniques, from marking to basting, ensuring your quilt tops are ready for stitching. Explore a variety of quilting styles, including matchstick quilting, crosshatching grids, combined stitches, serpentine, and Catherine's signature circular spirals, which will leave you *walking in circles* with inspiration.

Drawn by Catherine's expertise and motivated by her captivating, stitched samples, you will leave equipped and inspired to transform your quilt tops at home into finished masterpieces. **Bring your own fabric and consult the supply list for details**, as you embark on a journey to infuse your quilts with creativity and skill.

*Check out our other Walking Foot Quilting class for more skill-building techniques: Walking Foot Quilting: Organic Curves and Super Spirals (BYOF)*

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$10.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
H117X, J133

### **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  
Friday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
H114

### **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  
Friday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
H113

### **Notions You Can't Sew Without**

Classic Sewing Educator

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.

*This class will be taught by Kelly Williams in New Orleans, LA*

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 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
J130

### **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  
Friday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
J129

### **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 armholes, 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 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
J131

### **Pillow Talk: In-the-Hoop Mini Pillow (BYOF)**

Melissa Bryan

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Join us for a delightful journey into the captivating world of in-the-hoop embroidery to create charming mini pillows with a quilted twist! Our workshop, *Pillow Talk*, caters to both embroidery enthusiasts and quilting fanatics, offering a unique opportunity to seamlessly blend the best of both worlds and create a beautiful, cozy addition to any space.

Who should attend this class:

- Sewing enthusiasts seeking a fun and rewarding project that beautifully combines the art of embroidery and quilting.
- Anyone curious about machine embroidery.
- Quilters eager to explore the creative possibilities of in-the-hoop creations.
- Anyone with a dream of creating a handmade, decorative mini pillow to cherish or give as a gift.

Join us for *Pillow Talk* and discover the joy of creating these charming mini pillows that seamlessly marry the precision of embroidery with the warmth of quilting. Unleash your creativity while we stitch up some cozy comfort together! **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 2  
Materials: \$20.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM  
K148X

### **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  
K147X

### **Vinyl Wizardry: Cutting-Edge Tips & Tricks**

Courtney Douthat  
*In the Brother ScanNCut Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*  
Explore the exciting world of sewing with vinyl in our hands-on workshop as you uncover the secrets of working with various vinyl types on the Brother ScanNCut. Find answers to your burning questions such as where to find the best vinyl, understanding the differences between vinyl varieties, mastering the art of heating Heat Transfer Vinyl (HTV), and learning the intricate process of layering vinyl.

In this hands-on session, we will put theory into practice as you create a custom canvas tote bag using HTV vinyl. Gain the confidence and expertise to elevate your vinyl projects as you explore the nuances of different vinyl types. Join us for an immersive experience where you will not only learn the ins and outs but also leave with a stylish creation showcasing your newfound vinyl mastery!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$7.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
K153, L169XY

### **Designer DIY: From Sweatshirt to Chic! (BYOF)**

Jim Suzio  
*In the Janome Studio sponsored by All About Sewing - Inspiration Sewing Center*  
Elevate your style with this designer DIY sweatshirt transformation! In this hands-on class, discover the magic of turning a basic sweatshirt into a sophisticated zippered cardigan using just a basic sewing machine and a touch of accent fabric.

Our expert instructor will guide you through each step, providing you with the skills and confidence to effortlessly upgrade your wardrobe. Learn the art of selecting the perfect accent fabric, understanding essential sewing techniques, and mastering the transformation of a humble sweatshirt into a chic and personalized designer cardigan.

Join us for a creative journey that combines fashion and craft and turn a simple sweatshirt into a stylish statement piece. Unleash your creativity and add a touch of designer flair to your wardrobe with this designer sweatshirt makeover! **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$32.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
K152, L168XY

### **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  
K146, L162, M178

### **Magical Metallics**

Eric Drexler  
*In the Brother Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*  
Elevate your stitching with Sulky Metallic threads, exploring the diverse effects of round, twisted, and flat varieties. Fear not—Eric is here to demystify metallic threads with valuable tips and tricks for a smoother experience. Dive into a hands-on exploration of these stunning metallics while gaining a treasure trove of free

motion quilting tips. Whether you are a seasoned enthusiast or a beginner, Eric's knowledge-packed class promises to enrich your skills and transform your creations into shimmering masterpieces.

Sessions: 4  
Materials: \$24.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
K150, L166, M182

### **Heirloom Sewing Techniques on a Serger**

Kathy McMakin

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Do you love that vintage look but think you do not have enough sewing time to complete something so intricate? Well, think again! Heirloom details completed on your serger are fast, fun and easy. Never done heirloom before? Absolutely no worries! Kathy will introduce you to the world of heirloom as she walks you through each technique, step-by-step! This class is for everyone - from the very beginner to the most advanced serg-ist. You will adore creating this cute little what-not bag while learning and have a finished project to show off after class. Enjoy heirloom and serging - all mixed into one!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$20.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
K151, L167XY

### **Whip Stitch Wonders: Intro to Wool Applique**

Catherine Redford

Unlock the art of successful whip stitch wool applique in this immersive workshop. Join Catherine as she guides you through the intricacies of this timeless technique, working on a small design that can be transformed into a charming pincushion or needle case.

Discover the joy of adding embroidery embellishments to elevate your wool applique creations. This class is not just about crafting a beautiful project; it is about acquiring the essential skills and techniques that will empower you to confidently embark on future wool applique endeavors.

Our expert instructor will share a wealth of tips and tricks to ensure your success, making this class an invaluable resource for both beginners and seasoned stitchers alike. Get ready to unleash your creativity and start planning your next wool project with the confidence and expertise gained from *Whip Stitch Wonders*. Join us for a stitching adventure that combines skill-building with the joy of crafting beautiful and functional wool creations!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$40.00  
Hands-On  
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
K145, L161XY

### **Foot Feats: Two Feet, 12 Techniques**

Jill McCloy

*In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

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  
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
K149, L165XY

### **Intro to Embrilliance: From Digitized to Stitched Out**

Joyce Keske

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

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  
L164, M180

### **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  
Friday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
L163

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## **Saturday 5/4/2024**

### **Applique Artistry: ScanNCut Masterclass**

Courtney Douthat

*In the Brother ScanNCut Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Say goodbye to applique scissors forever! Join us for a revolutionary class on creating appliques with the ScanNCut. Discover the seamless process of taking any applique design and effortlessly sending it to the ScanNCut for precision cutting – no additional software required! Unlock the potential of your ScanNCut as you bid farewell to tedious hand cutting.

In this hands-on session, dive into the world of applique crafting and leave with a custom-designed applique tea towel. Learn the art of transforming your designs into meticulously cut appliques with the ScanNCut, making the process not only efficient but also endlessly creative.

Join us for an inspiring experience where you will master the art of ScanNCut appliques and elevate your crafting to new heights!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$7.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Q233X, R249

### **Sit on It!**

Dianne Springer

*In the Janome Studio sponsored by All About Sewing - Inspiration Sewing Center*

If you are a quilter, we invite you to *Sit on It!*—where quilting meets upholstery in a delightful fusion of creativity and comfort. As a seasoned quilter, you have likely created numerous cozy quilts to snuggle under. Now, it is time to extend that warmth to your seating with our innovative workshop.

Join us as we transform a simple stool into a stylish and unique piece of furniture using basic piecing techniques reminiscent of traditional quilting. Discover the art of beginning upholstery as you learn to create a *quilt-like* top for your stool, infusing it with charm and personality.

No matter your skill level, everyone is welcome to participate in this exciting project. Whether you are a quilting novice or an experienced enthusiast, you will leave the class with a finished stool that reflects your individual style and craftsmanship—ready to be showcased and admired in any space.

No prior upholstery knowledge is required—just bring your enthusiasm and creativity and get ready for an inspiring journey together!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$60.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Q232X, R248

### **Sewing Machine Master Class: Maximizing Your Decorative Stitches**

Jim Suzio

*In the Brother Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

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  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Q230X, R246

### **Ladies Leggings: Fun, Fast & FABULOUS**

Kathy McMakin  
*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*  
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  
Q231X, R247

### **Drive in Style: In-the-Hoop Visor Organizer**

Joyce Keske  
*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*  
Embark on a stitching adventure with our Drive in Style series, where creativity meets practicality! If you find joy in collecting take-out napkins and dream of a stylish way to keep them neat, clean, and accessible in your car, then this is the class you have been waiting for! In this hands-on machine embroidery workshop, we will guide you through the fascinating process of creating a functional and stylish car visor organizer entirely in-the-hoop on an embroidery machine.

Buckle up for a fun and informative class where you not only drive away with a well-organized car visor but also gain a newfound appreciation for the endless possibilities of in-the-hoop machine embroidery!

Join us in this creative journey where your car becomes a canvas, and every stitch adds a touch of style to your drive. Get ready to embroider, organize, and drive in style!

*Check out the other **Drive In Style** workshop for a matching set: "Drive In Style: Staying Organized on the Road"*

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$27.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Q228X, R244

### **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  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM  
Q225X

### **Walking Foot Quilting: Organic Curves and Super Spirals (BYOF)**

Catherine Redford  
*In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*  
Experience the art of quilting with your walking foot in Catherine's second class in the Walking Foot Quilting Series, where you will transcend traditional straight lines and elevate your technique with captivating organic curves. Learn from Catherine as she demonstrates the mastery of executing sharp turns and creating precise straight line polygon spirals. Be mesmerized by her circular spirals that will have you "walking in circles" with excitement as you envision incorporating them into your next quilt top.

***Bring your own fabric and consult the supply list for details***, as you immerse yourself in a journey of quilting refinement and creativity.

*Check out our other **Walking Foot Quilting** class for more skill-building techniques: **Walking Foot Quilting: Get out of the Ditch (BYOF)***

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$10.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Q229X, R245

### **Breaking Up and Coming Together**

Jill McCloy  
Get ready to break boundaries and stitch up some magic in the ultimate playdate with embroidery designs! Learn to transform designs into a symphony of creativity. You might have that customization software, or you are eyeing it with uncertainty. Fear not! Jill is here to guide you through the possibilities with dozens of samples showcasing what she has done with her own designs.

Jill will have garments and quilts bedazzled with broken-up and reassembled designs, ready to ignite your inspiration. Each participant is in for a treat – a bonus

design from Jill! But here is the twist – after exploring a plethora of examples, the group gets to vote on which design they will receive. From roses blooming from a single rose to a vest border sprouting from a stork frame, the possibilities are as diverse as they are dazzling.

Embark on this creative journey where garments, quilts, and notebooks become your canvas. Join Jill for a session of fun, inspiration, and the joy of seeing designs come alive in unexpected ways. Ready to create? It is going to be a blast!

Sessions: 1  
Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
Q227

### **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 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
R242X

### **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  
Saturday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
R241

### **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  
Saturday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
R243X

### **Zip-n-Stitch: In-the-Hoop Zipper Pouch (BYOF)**

Melissa Bryan

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

Elevate your embroidery expertise with our comprehensive class on creating fully lined in-the-hoop zipper pouches! Dive into the world of stylish and practical pouches created entirely on your embroidery machine, suitable for all skill levels from novices to seasoned embroiderers. Led by Melissa, this class empowers you to conquer any hesitations about in-the-hoop projects while mastering the technique of seamlessly incorporating zippers using your embroidery machine.

Key Skills Covered:

*Personalization Techniques: Discover various methods to personalize your pouch, such as monogramming, appliqué, or incorporating decorative elements, allowing you to tailor each creation to reflect your unique style and personality.*

*Zipper Alignment: Learn the art of precise zipper alignment and secure attachment using your embroidery machine, ensuring professional-looking results every time.*

*Stabilization Fundamentals: Gain insight into the crucial role of proper stabilization in achieving flawless embroidery and sturdy construction, setting the foundation for impeccable finished products.*

*Fabric Coordination: Explore the intricacies of coordinating different fabrics, including vinyl, cork, or faux leather, with your embroidery designs, enabling you to create visually stunning and durable pouches that stand out.*

Whether you are looking to enhance your embroidery skills or embark on a new creative journey, this class equips you with the knowledge and techniques to

elevate your craft and produce stunning in-the-hoop zipper pouches with confidence. **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

Sessions: 2  
Materials: \$17.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM  
S260X

### **PyroCraft: Wood Burning Wonders with the ScanNCut**

Courtney Douthat

*In the Brother ScanNCut Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Unleash the unexpected with *PyroCraft*, a class that pushes the boundaries of creativity by harnessing the power of the Brother ScanNCut to burn wood! Say goodbye to disbelief and join us for a hands-on experience where you will learn the intriguing art of wood burning with this cutting-edge machine.

In this unique session, you will not only discover that you **CAN** burn wood with the cutting machine but also create a custom wood-burned piece for your home. From intricate designs to personalized decor, dive into the world of wood burning as you wield the ScanNCut to turn your visions into tangible, scorched masterpieces. Do NOT miss this chance to ignite your creativity with *PyroCraft*!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$7.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
S265, T281X

### **Drive In Style: Staying Organized on the Road**

Joyce Keske

*In the Janome Studio sponsored by All About Sewing - Inspiration Sewing Center*

Tired of your purse constantly taking a backseat? Join our *Drive in Style* series to discover some ingenious solutions to keep your essentials within arm's reach while on the road. In this hands-on session, we will guide you through the creation of a stylish and functional purse organizer for your car while unveiling the magic of using the walking foot on your sewing machine for a seamless finish. Say goodbye to purse spills and the frustration of loose items scattered across your car. Learn how to design and sew a tailored car purse organizer that effortlessly attaches to your vehicle, providing a designated and secure space for your purse and other essentials.

*Check out the other **Drive In Style** workshop for a matching set: "Drive In Style: In-the-Hoop Visor Organizer"*

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On  
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
S264, T280X

### **Beaded Bliss: Artful Dimension in Quilts**

Catherine Redford

Elevate your projects with a touch of sparkle and dimension in our 'Beaded Bliss' class! Join us as we unravel the art of attaching beads seamlessly to add a luxurious touch to your creations. In this hands-on workshop, we will focus on transforming your own small pre-made postcard-sized quilts into masterpieces with intricate detailing.

Explore a variety of beading techniques, including seed stitch, beaded back stitch, couching, stacks, and fringes. Learn the secrets of sewing bugle beads with precision and finesse. Elevate your creations with elegant edge techniques such as moss stitch, picots, wrapping, and artful arches.

Discover the magic of beads as we guide you through each step, ensuring they not only add a touch of glamour but also stay securely attached. Unleash your creativity and watch your quilts come to life with dimension and brilliance.

Join us for *Beaded Bliss* and let the world of beads open up a realm of possibilities, making your small quilts shine with sophistication and artistic allure!

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$22.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
S258, T274X

### **Little Bonnet: Beginning French Sewing by Machine**

Kathy McMakin

*In the Brother Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

Little French Bonnet is loved all over the world and is our most well attended class at Martha Pullen. This sweet bonnet is the perfect project for those who have never done any heirloom sewing, those who need a refresher course or those who want a handmade, precious baby gift. The techniques used to create the bonnet are basic, but each one is necessary for all heirloom sewing projects. Class is full of tips, tricks, correct stitch settings; tried and true techniques for attaching batiste, French lace, Swiss embroidered insertion, entredeux and satin ribbons as well as gathering and attaching a ruffle are all demonstrated in this little baby bonnet. It is fun to create a real project while learning these fabulous techniques! We promise a time of enjoyment, valuable sewing education and a completed bonnet.

Sessions: 3  
Materials: \$20.00  
Hands-On  
Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM  
S262, T278X

## **Rolled Edge Kimono (BYOF)**

Jill McCloy

*In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by AllBrands.com*

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 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S263, T279X

## **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

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S257, T273X

## **Zippy Ditty Bag**

Marsha Kirsch

*In the Pfaff Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*

This delightful bag is packed with techniques *and whatever you choose to put in it!* Marsha will share some

of her creative tips and tricks for easy piecing, putting in a two-way zipper, creating embellishments on your sewing machine and other goodies you do not want to miss. The bag is embellished with a different technique on each side including decorative stitches, *TenSisters* quilting grid and some easy handmade piping. The two-way zipper provides easy access and is a fantastic way to keep things organized, making this your ideal go-to bag. Explore your creative side with us!

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S261, T277X

## **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 hoody 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 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

S259

## **Tag It Yours: In-the-Hoop Bag Tag Bonanza!**

Melissa Bryan

*In the Husqvarna Viking Studio sponsored by S&R Sewing and Vacuum Center*



Pack your creativity and venture on a whimsical journey into the enchanting world of in-the-hoop embroidery in our workshop, *Tag It Yours*. Join us as we explore the joy of creating custom bag tags that are as unique as you are, designed to add a touch of personality and flair to your suitcases, backpacks, or book sacks.

This class is a celebration of individuality, providing you with the opportunity to express your unique style and ensure your belongings stand out in the crowd. Discover the art of in-the-hoop embroidery as you create personalized bag tags that combine functionality with a delightful touch of personalized pizzazz.

Reserve your spot today and let our skilled instructor guide you through the creative process, sharing tips and techniques to make your bag tags truly one-of-a-kind. Join us for *Tag It Yours* and transform ordinary luggage into a personalized statement of your creativity and style.

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$17.00

Hands-On

Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

T276X

### **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

Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

T275X

# CLASS SCHEDULES

See ALL classes with

Thursday, May 2 | *Schedule* at a Glance

9:00-10:00 8:30-10:00	10:30-11:30 10:30-12:00	1:00-2:00 12:30-2:00	2:30-3:30 2:30-4:00	4:00-5:00
<b>Quick Points to the Rescue!</b> S. Miller  A1	<b>Thread-ucation</b> E. Drexler  B17X	<b>Dorset Feather Elegance: Hand-Embroidered Needle Case</b> C. Redford  ◆C33, D49XY		
<b>Beginning Hand Smocking</b> K. McMakin  ◆A2X, B18		<b>Temari: A Special Gift of Friendship</b> J. McCloy  ◆C34, D50, E66		
<b>Awesome Athleisure: Wear it Anywhere</b> K. Ruddy  A3X	<b>Who Fits the Dressmaker?</b> L. Henry  B19	<b>Pants! Do You See What I See?</b> L. Henry  C35	<b>Serger 911</b> K. Ruddy  D51	<b>The Best of "Make It Monday!"</b> J. Suzio  E67
<b>Hot Off the Hoop: Embroidered Hot Pads</b> M. Bryan  ◆A4X	<b>Stitching Stories: In-the-Hoop Quilt Block Magic</b> M. Bryan  ◆B20X	<b>The Lotus Blossom</b> J. Suzio  ◆C36X, D52		
<b>Free Motion Quilting Steps to Success</b> C. Redford  ◆□A5X, B21		<b>What Time is It?</b> D. Springer  ◆C37, D53XY		
<b>Dragonfly Moon Mini</b> J. McCloy  ◆□A6X, B22		<b>Two-in-One Bag</b> J. Keske  ◆C38, D54XY		
<b>3 Yard Serger Quilt</b> J. Keske  ◆A7X, B23		<b>Inspiring Serger Confidence</b> K. McMakin  ◆C39, D55XY		
<b>Foundation Paper Piecing with Legit Kits: Beginner</b> D. Atchison  ◆A8X, B24		<b>3D Floating Thread Tree</b> E. Drexler  ◆C40, D56, E72		
<b>ScanNCut Essentials: Back to Basics</b> C. Douthat  ◆A9X, B25		<b>Quilt Express: Time-Saving Techniques with the ScanNCut</b> C. Douthat  ◆C41, D57		

## CLASS COLOR KEY:

= Sewing
  = Quilting
  = General Interest
  = Embellishment/Surface Design
  = Embroidery
  = Serging

◆ = HANDS-ON CLASS

□ = BRING YOUR OWN FABRIC

X = CLASS TIME EXTENDED BY HALF AN HOUR



See class project photos at [sewingexpo.com](http://sewingexpo.com)

## Friday, May 3 | *Schedule* at a Glance

9:00-10:00 8:30-10:00	10:30-11:30 10:30-12:00	1:00-2:00 12:30-2:00	2:30-3:30 2:30-4:00	4:00-5:00
<b>Getting to Know Your Serger</b> K. McMakin  H113	<b>Sergers: Cover &amp; Chain</b> K. McMakin  J129	<b>Whip Stitch Wonders: Intro to Wool Applique</b> C. Redford  ◆K145, L161XY		
<b>The Yoke's on You!</b> J. Suzio  H114	<b>One Pattern, Many Looks: TOPS</b> K. Ruddy  J130	<b>Pants For YOU: Personal Fit and Styling</b> K. Ruddy  ◆K146, L162, M178		
<b>Notions You Can't Sew Without</b> K. Williams  H115	<b>Fitting Objects That Stick Out Farther: BUSTS</b> L. Henry  J131	<b>Intro to Embroidery</b> J. Keske  K147X	<b>Bodice Architecture: Mastering Pattern Alterations</b> L. Henry  L163	
<b>French Quarter Pillow</b> J. McCloy  ◆H116X, J132		<b>Pillow Talk: In-the-Hoop Mini Pillow</b> M. Bryan  ◆□K148X	<b>Intro to Embroidery: From Digitized to Stitched Out</b> J. Keske  ◆L164, M180	
<b>Walking Foot Quilting: Get Out of the Ditch</b> C. Redford  ◆□H117X, J133		<b>Foot Feats: Two Feet, 12 Techniques</b> J. McCloy  ◆K149, L165XY		
<b>Foundation Paper Piecing with Legit Kits: Hazy Hills</b> D. Atchison  ◆H118X, J134		<b>Magical Metallics</b> E. Drexler  ◆K150, L166, M182		
<b>Understanding the Anatomy of Your Serger</b> J. Keske  ◆H119X, J135		<b>Heirloom Sewing Techniques on a Serger</b> K. McMakin  ◆K151, L167XY		
<b>Goin' Commando</b> D. Springer  ◆H120X, J136		<b>Designer DIY: From Sweatshirt to Chic!</b> J. Suzio  ◆□K152, L168XY		
<b>Fabric Design Fundamentals: Design &amp; Print Basics</b> C. Douthat  ◆H121X, J137		<b>Vinyl Wizardry: Cutting-Edge Tips &amp; Tricks</b> C. Douthat  ◆K153, L169XY		

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## Saturday, May 4 | *Schedule* at a Glance

9:00-10:00 8:30-10:00	10:30-11:30 10:30-12:00	12:30-1:30 12:00-1:30	2:00-3:00 2:00-3:30
<b>There is More to Sleeves than Meets the "EYE"</b> L. Henry  Q225X	<b>The Mighty Mini: A Powerful Tool</b> J. McCloy  R241	<b>Pattern Alteration Bootcamp</b> L. Henry  ◆S257, T273X	
	<b>Clone Your Clothes</b> K. Ruddy  R242X	<b>Beaded Bliss: Artful Dimension in Quilts</b> C. Redford  ◆S258, T274X	
<b>Breaking Up and Coming Together</b> J. McCloy  Q227	<b>Thread-ucation</b> E. Drexler  R243X	<b>Cruise Clothes That Go Everywhere</b> K. Ruddy  S259	<b>Sewing Hacks for a Professional Look</b> J. Suzio  T275X
<b>Drive in Style: In-the-Hoop Visor Organizer</b> J. Keske  ◆Q228X, R244		<b>Zip-n-Stitch: In-the-Hoop Zipper Pouch</b> M. Bryan  ◆S260X	<b>Tag It Yours: In-the-Hoop Bag Tag Bonanza!</b> M. Bryan  ◆T276X
<b>Walking Foot Quilting: Organic Curves and Super Spirals</b> C. Redford  ◆□Q229X, R245		<b>Zippy Ditty Bag</b> M. Kirsch  ◆S261, T277X	
<b>Sewing Machine Master Class: Maximizing Your Decorative Stitches</b> J. Suzio  ◆Q230X, R246		<b>Little Bonnet: Beginning French Sewing by Machine</b> K. McMakin  ◆S262, T278X	
<b>Ladies Leggings: Fun, Fast &amp; FABULOUS</b> K. McMakin  ◆Q231X, R247		<b>Rolled Edge Kimono</b> J. McCloy  ◆□S263, T279X	
<b>Sit On It!</b> D. Springer  ◆Q232X, R248		<b>Drive in Style: Staying Organized on the Road</b> J. Keske  ◆S264, T280X	
<b>Applique Artistry: ScanNCut Masterclass</b> C. Douthat  ◆Q233X, R249		<b>PyroCraft: Wood Burning Wonders with the ScanNCut</b> C. Douthat  ◆S265, T281X	

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