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About "More the Day Before"

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

PLUS...your MDB registration qualifies you for a Value Package, which includes discounted pricing on your MDB class sessions AND any additional Expo class sessions, 3 free General Admission tickets and a free shopping bag!

Classroom opens at 8:30, instruction begins at 9:00, and your fees include a re-energizing lunch to carry you through until 5:00. **If you have any dietary restrictions, please email info@sewingexpo.com or call 800-699-6309 as soon as you register for class.**

Wednesday 4/2/2025

Edge-to-Edge Quilting on an Embroidery Machine (MDB)

LuAnn Hartley

In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio sponsored by Viking Sewing Gallery

Turn an embroidery machine into a quilting machine. This class will show you how to do that, including where to get designs, how to size designs to fit your project, how to hoop and connect patterns, and how to do borders.

The first part of the class will be constructing the blocks and putting together the quilt top. Then, the second and third parts of class we will move to embroidery and completely quilt your quilt top using edge-to-edge quilting for the body of the quilt, followed by border patterns to quilt the borders.

Sessions: 8
Materials: \$42.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB302X, MDB362X

From Quilt to Coat (BYOF) (MDB)

Teresa Coates

In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Do you love the look of quilt coats, but don't know where to start? Join us to make your own quilt coat that is not only beautiful, but also beginner-friendly! Don't worry if you haven't made garments before, designer Teresa Coates will take you through each step of her original pattern as you create the quilt coat of your dreams. The Elemental Coat works with well-loved quilt, quilted fabric, linen, kantha cloth or canvas. You can also choose the sleeve length and coat length that best suits you.

Sessions: 8
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB303X, MDB363X

IQ Basics and Beyond Workshop (MDB)

Michelle Gillombardo

In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

This immersive, full-day workshop is designed to boost your confidence in using IQ Designer/My Design Center (MDC) on the embroidery machine while you create custom quilt blocks. You will delve into various icons to craft appliques in the hoop, design background fills for quilt blocks, draw, edit, and apply fills to line designs. Additionally, you will transform artwork into embroidery designs, understand the distinctions between applique and fill stitches, explore line properties, and line art, among many other skills!

Materials fee: Fabric panels, wonder fuse, fabrics for appliques, backing and background fabrics, batting and stabilizers

Sessions: 8
Materials: \$14.00
Hands-On

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB307X, MDB367X

Wall Hanging Sewing Caddy with Pockets (MDB)

Elisa Milano

In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Go beyond rolled hems and finishing edges and create serged projects and decorative effects you never thought possible with this step by step hands on class.

Materials fee: Pattern and materials

Sessions: 8

Materials: \$42.00

Hands-On

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

MDB305X, MDB365X

Quilt-As-You-Go Log Cabin Jelly Roll (BYOF) (MDB)

Sarah Thomas

In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Have you always wanted to free-motion quilt but felt too nervous to begin? Join designer, Sarah Thomas, in this hands-on workshop. With a bit of humor and loads of encouragement, Sarah will take you through a series of simple, yet highly effective quilting motifs, piecing and filling each strip as you go. Build confidence as you start with a simple straight-edge ruler, then practice a variety of shapes and designs while stitching a spectacular log cabin mini quilt! Whether you quilt on a domestic machine or stand-up longarm, all techniques apply and can be replicated at home.

Sessions: 8

Materials: \$36.00

Hands-On

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

MDB306X, MDB366X

Your Body Double: Design a Custom Box Pleat Jacket (MDB)

Joe Vecchiarelli

Discover the art of precision garment fitting in the immersive all-day workshop led by expert designer to the stars, Joe Vecchiarelli. Learn draping

fundamentals, taking you beyond the limitations of flat paper patterns, and tailoring techniques as you design a Box Pleat Jacket that perfectly complements your beautifully unique shape and style.

Designed to mirror your unique silhouette, a professional dress form will transform the way you sew clothing for yourself. Part 1 will include covering the dress form, making sure to couture the form to your body measurements size for a precise fit. Once your dress form is perfected, it becomes the canvas on which you will drape your very own bodice sloper, giving life to your own pattern fitting block.

In Part 2, you will learn the techniques for designing and draping a box pleat jacket for yourself. Joe will demonstrate each step of this process in detail, concluding with instructions for transferring the muslin drape to pattern for sewing at home.

Students are encouraged to bring their body double to class and may purchase one in advance from <https://www.frencheuropeaninc.com/store>.

Sessions: 7

Materials: \$77.00

Hands-On

Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

MDB300X, MDB360X

Barn Quilt Painting (MDB)

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.

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: 8
Materials: \$87.00
Hands-On
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
MDB301X, MDB361X

Thursday 4/3/2025

Stained Glass Embroidery

Kimberley Dodson
Try machine embroidery with a stunning stained-glass technique. Create a folk-art flower suncatcher or coaster using a combination of vinyl and water-soluble stabilizer, which will give your finished piece a transparent glow. Embroidery expert Kimberly Dodson will begin with the basics of machine embroidery, including hooping and stabilizer, and then show how the stained-glass technique can be used in home decor.

Your kit will include everything you need with stabilizer and thread.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$20.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 7X, B23

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Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 7X, B23

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
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 5X, B21

Little Hollies Miniature Quilt

Jill McCloy
In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles
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 black buttons to enhance the pink flower center. Buttons may be stitched on by machine or by hand.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$34.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 8X, B24

Fancy That! Split Seam Embroidered Bow Sweatshirt

Tamara Evans
In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

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 perfecting 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
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A 9X, B25

Free Motion Quilting Made Easy

Eric Drexler

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Instead of sending that quilt to the longarm 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: 4
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A10X, B26

Play Date with Template Quilting

Donelle McAdams

In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

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

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

Serger Bags 101: Let's Do Zippers!

LuAnn Hartley

In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Come explore how easy it is to use a serger and add zippers to your projects. In this class we will make three different lined bags. To kick things off, we'll start by embellishing the fabric for one of the bags using specialty threads and stitches, adding texture and visual interest to your creation. We will then go through adding the zippers and even adding pockets. By the end of the class, you'll leave with a wealth of knowledge on creating your own bags, utilizing specialty threads to enhance your projects, and confidently inserting zippers using the serger.

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$24.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A12X, B28

Rulerwork for Beginners

Nancy Scott

In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Straight lines and simple arcs can create stunning quilting. Learn the basics of rulerwork including stitch settings, holding the ruler and moving the fabric and ruler in tandem. Working on BERNINA Q Series sit down longarm you will stitch straight lines and simple arcs to create motifs, matchstick quilting, stitch-in-the-ditch and continuous line designs.

Materials fee: Panel, Batting and Backing. Rulers will be provided for in-class use.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$32.00
Hands-On
Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
A13X, B29

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: 2

Thursday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

A 2X

Simple Serger T-Shirt Blanket (BYOF)

Jaymi Horne

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Barnes Sewing Center

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

Thursday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

A 6X, B22

Fast & Easy Projects to Finish in Under 1 Hour!

Linda McGehee

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

Sessions: 1

Thursday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

A 3X

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 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

A 4

Fitting a Dress Form to You

Joe Vecchiarelli

Designed to mirror your unique silhouette, a professional dress form will transform the way you sew clothing for yourself. Fashion designer to the stars, Joe Vecchiarelli, will discuss different options for the body double and show features of the French European form. Each student will be measured in class to fit a body form; then learn techniques for couture shaping. Joe will show how a single dress form can seamlessly transform into a personalized

body shape and teach you the skills to recreate your own body double. Avoid the frustration of adapting flat paper patterns to the dynamic contours of your body ensuring more accurate results. If you have ever considered purchasing a body form for your sewing, this is a class is a can't miss.

Sessions: 2
Thursday 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
A 1, B17

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 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
B20

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

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: 2
Thursday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
B19

Meet Me at the Drawing Board: Designing for Rulerwork

Donelle McAdams

Embrace the return of a fan-favorite workshop! Donelle is back by popular demand, ready to guide you through the art of rulerwork design. Whether you are a novice just starting your stitching journey or a seasoned pro, this class offers valuable insights for all skill levels. In this engaging three-hour session, Donelle will lead you in crafting captivating designs for quilt blocks, mandalas, borders, and beyond. Unleash your creativity and elevate your stitching capacity under her expert instruction. Join us for an inspiring and educational experience that promises to bring out the artist in every student!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$10.00
Hands-On
Thursday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM
C37X, D53

Create a Custom Bodice Using a Dress Form

Joe Vecchiarelli

Learn the art of draping a front and back bodice with expert fashion fitter, Joe Vecchiarelli. This immersive course will teach skills for fabric draping and patternmaking with the use of a dress form. Joe will demonstrate basic to intermediate techniques through a variety of flattering drapes from a cowl and cascading top to plunging neckline. Practice draping with muslin, on a body form provided in class, or bring your own for a custom fit. Then, seamlessly translate the draped muslin into a refined pattern, while learning dart manipulation to create different designs including a sophisticated princess pleat bodice.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On

Thursday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

C33X, D49

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

Tamara Evans

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

Sessions: 1

Thursday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

C35X

Black Tie Embroidered Wristlet

Pam Damour

In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio sponsored by Viking Sewing Gallery

The quest for the perfect little black bag is a timeless endeavor, and our wristlet bag is the ultimate solution for both casual outings and sophisticated evenings. Thoughtfully designed with six card pockets and two deep compartments to accommodate essentials like currency, lipstick, and phone, this stylish accessory is as practical as it is chic. The secure zippered pocket is perfect for stashing loose change or keys, ensuring you have everything you need at your fingertips.

The pre-cut kit includes all the materials necessary for you to create this beautiful piece, making the sewing process a delightful experience for bag enthusiasts of all skill levels.

Sessions: 4

Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On

Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

C39, D55, E71

Know Your Knit Fabrics

Pattie Otto

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

Sessions: 1

Materials: \$17.00

Thursday 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

C36

Sunny Scraps

Judy Phillips

In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Have you ever been inspired by "an unsuspecting pile of scraps?" Learn how to use a triangle ruler with piecing techniques that will turn scraps into a stunning quilt block with master educator, Judy Phillips. Choose from Judy's incredible assortment to make your own Sunny Scraps sunflower, coneflower,

or poinsettia. Kits will include all fabric, plus Kimberly Moser ruler and pattern.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$54.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
C40, D56, E72

Mylar Embroidery Buzz Mini Quilt

LuAnn Hartley

In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Dazzle without the drama in our Mylar Embroidery Workshop. You will discover the secret to achieving stunning metallic effects without the hassle. If you have ever been frustrated by the challenges of working with metallic thread-shredding, breaking, and general difficulty-then this class is your ultimate solution. Learn how to incorporate Mylar into your embroidery projects for a shimmering finish. Explore using batting as stabilizer, fussy cutting using a specialty ruler, how to edit embroidery designs, how to add quilting behind your embroidery plus you will add 3-D embellishments for a true one of a kind design. The embroidery designs are included in the price of the kit. Two colorways available for class project.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$34.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
C41, D57XY

Foot Feats III: 3 Needles, 5 Feet

Jill McCloy

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

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: 4
Materials: \$34.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
C42, D58, E74

Plays Well With Others Quilt (BYOF)

Joann Hubbard

In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Do you remember in elementary school when your teacher graded you on your ability to play well with others? This scrap-friendly quilt gets an A+ in that department because all fabrics really will work for constructing this quilt! You can go all out scrappy or choose to be a bit more controlled and choose yardage of coordinating fabrics.

Whichever route you take, you will create a fabulous quilt! By the end of this class, you will have pieced a variety of blocks which will allow you to begin the layout process and learn how to sew the top together. This is a fun class and the perfect opportunity to put a dent in your stash. The pattern includes four size options, but the size is easily adjusted.

Materials fee: Pattern

Students Bring Your Own Fabric-see supply list

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$12.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
C43, D59, E75

Flying Geese and other Quilt Blocks on a Serger

Elisa Milano

In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Did you know that you can make quilt blocks with your serger? In this class we will show you how to make four popular quilt blocks, which you can sew together to make a table topper or wall hanging.

Materials fee: Pattern and material

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$42.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
C44, D60, E76

Intro to Feathers & Quilty Frills

Sarah Thomas

*In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio
sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing*

Feathers: the quintessential quilt motif. Whether you are just starting or already comfortable with basic free-motion, designer Sarah Thomas will guide you through feathers and quilty frills in this fantastic workshop. With a variety of techniques for creating feather motifs, experiment both drawing and working on the machine to determine your personal feather style. Learn how to achieve perfect continuous formal feathers, plus how to use rulers, stencils, and other items to fit and form dazzling featherwork on your quilt tops. From blocks and borders to custom motifs, this class will build skills for stitching numerous plume types and spine variations with the quilting confidence to create your own unique feather designs.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$36.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
C45, D61XY

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.

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

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

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$27.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
C34, D50XY

Book Lover's Book Cover

Teresa Coates

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Barnes Sewing Center

Learn how to make a great looking book covers using just your serger! This surprisingly easy and quick way to create a fabric book cover is a technique you can use to customize for any size book at home. You'll learn a clever construction technique and a few simple serging techniques and leave class with a finished project!

With a little creativity and fun, you'll want to cover your cookbooks, a coffee table book, your diary, favorite reading books and even the kid's school books.

Materials fee includes the fabric, thread, and batting

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Thursday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
C38, D54XY

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 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
D52

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 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
D51

Knits for the Absolutely Terrified

Pattie Otto

Racks are filled with them, as are your closets and drawers. Knits are everywhere, so why aren't you sewing with them? A little hesitant or palms a bit sweaty? Admit it - you're secretly terrified of sewing with knits. Pattie's class will put all your fears to rest during this confidence-building class filled with must-know information.

You will get loads of advice on how to select the right knit for your next project. And you'll also get layout and cutting pointers, plus the super quick construction tips. You'll feel amazed at how easy it really is to work with knits after this class.

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$22.00
Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
E68

What Needle Do I Use? The Lecture

Rhonda Pierce

Confused about what needle to use? What do all those numbers mean on the needle package? Is changing the needle before it breaks really that important? What needle should I use? Successful sewing is often about paying attention to the little things – like the needle in your sewing machine. Get the low-down on how this little piece of steel can solve some very BIG problems, including broken threads, skipped stitches and puckered fabrics. Your sewing machine is an investment and protection begins by using the very best needle. Sew SCHMETZ!

Sessions: 1
Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
E69

Specialty Notions used by Professional Studios

Joe Vecchiarelli

Discover the secrets of the fashion industry with this comprehensive class on specialty notions used daily by professionals. Watch Joe demonstrate a variety of tools designed to help you work with precision and more efficiently. This is not just a class about seam rippers, go with Joe beyond the basics, exploring essential fashion rulers, marking tools, and products like Sewer's aid and magic thread. Everyone in class will receive one of these fabulous notions that will make you wonder how you ever sewed without it!

Sessions: 1

Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

E65

Stabilizer Savvy

Tamara Evans

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

Sessions: 1

Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

E67

Off The Chains: The Granny Square

Zoë Cornwall

Crocheters! Would you like to up your crochet game beyond plain rectangles? In this class, we will explore the unlimited potential of the classic crochet Granny Square using crochet charts. A Granny Square is an iconic and beloved crochet technique that is so easy, every crocheter should try it at least once. Crochet charts can be used to map out the simplest single crochet grid or complicated intricate lace work. This is a skill that can develop a confident beginner to an intermediate crocheter.

Students will learn general crochet chart symbols and chart interpretation for crochet in both grid format and in the round. In the hands-on portion of the class, students will learn how to start a Granny

Square using two possible techniques. A crochet chart of a Granny Square will be used, and you will leave with your very own completed Granny Square! Developing new crochet techniques and skills can be intimidating. Learning to read crochet charts makes expanding your skills easy and fun.

This is not a beginner crochet class. Students must have basic knowledge of crochet. Chaining, double crochet, and joining with slip stitches are used for Granny Squares specifically.

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$7.00

Hands-On

Thursday 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

F85XX

Collars and Cuffs

Jim Suzio

In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Give your garments a more professional finish with crisp collars and cuffs. Sew along with expert designer, Jim Suzio, in this hands-on class. Make a reference sample as you learn about interfacing types and weights. Plus you'll be inspired by Jim's detailed construction method and creative finishing details. Your class kit includes everything you need: precut fabric, interfacing, and patterns.

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$25.00

Hands-On

Thursday 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

F88XX

Cork Notebook Cover

Stephanie Folsom

In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Make your own cork notebook cover completely in the hoop, no sewing required! Learn how to use cork, PU leather, and Beach Potato Embroidery, glitter fabric to make this fun project! This class will help you master your applique knowledge beyond just cotton fabric and will elevate your embroidery skills. By the end of this class you be feeling even more confident with your in the hoop abilities and will have completed a dazzling cork notebook cover. Any

standard 5" x7" notebook will fit inside your finished notebook cover.

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$32.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F89X, G105

Paper Piecing for the Very First Time

Teresa Coates
In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles
We'll learn the basics of paper-piecing techniques, starting at the very beginning. We'll work through paper choices, thread options, stitch length, pressing and paper removal. You'll leave with an understanding of paper piecing and the basic skills that will have you ready for bigger and more detailed projects.

Materials fee: Paper patterns, fat quarters

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F90X, G106

Quilted Slippers

Jaymi Horne
In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing
Make yourself a pair of cozy house slippers while learning some easy quilting techniques. They also make great personalized gifts for the cold-footed people in your life! The skills you learn in this class can be applied to many projects, including pillows and purses.

Materials fee: Includes everything you need to make one pair of slippers, including a printed pattern.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$37.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F91X, G107

Unzip the Mystery: Creative Serging

Linda McGehee
In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing
Join Linda for another round of her highly anticipated Mystery Classes, where serging meets creativity in unexpected ways! Known for her innovative approach and knack for making sewing techniques accessible and enjoyable, Linda invites you to explore the versatility of the serger through two exciting projects.

In this session, you'll discover the thrill of serging while creating two distinct projects. One of the mysteries waiting to unfold involves mastering the art of inserting a zipper with remarkable ease, using a unique method that simplifies the process using only one side of the zipper. Whether you're a novice or seasoned with the serger, Linda's expert guidance ensures you'll gain confidence and new skills.

Embrace the excitement of discovering what's next in Linda's Mystery Classes. Don't miss out on the opportunity to expand your serging repertoire, connect with fellow sewing enthusiasts, and uncover the joy of creating beautiful, functional projects. Join us for an unforgettable journey into the world of serging with Linda's Mystery Serger Projects!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$42.00
Hands-On
Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
F92X, G108

Four Techniques for Serging Knits

Pattie Otto
In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Barnes Sewing Center
Get ready for a hands-on experience where you will conquer the four key techniques for serging knits: seaming, neckbands, hems, and applying elastic.

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

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

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On

Thursday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

F86X, G102

The comprehensive class kit includes all the necessary hardware, along with meticulously written instructions in sheet protectors. Develop technical skills for making bags of all styles, while exploring your creative potential through elegant embellishments and professional finishing techniques.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H117X, J133

Friday 4/4/2025

Twisted Knot: A Woven Rope Bowl Creation

Tamara Evans

In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio sponsored by Viking Sewing Gallery

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

Sessions: 4

Materials: \$22.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H119X, J135

Hardware for Handbags

Pam Damour

Learn from talented designer Pam Damour in this fantastic workshop that demystifies the use of decorative bag hardware. Gain confidence as you master an array of techniques from expertly installing bag feet, rivets, and zippers, to creating adjustable bag straps and perfect boxed bag bottoms.

Blue Jay Mini - Foundation Paper Piecing

Legit Kits Ambassador

In the PFAFF Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

If you can sew a straight line, you can complete this mini Foundation Paper Piecing kit by Legit Kits. It is a perfect 4-block kit no matter your experience level with Foundation Paper Piecing!

This class will help you organize your kit, walk you through the steps in piecing your blocks, and teach you how to assemble them into a 15 X 20 beautiful work of art. Your Certified Legit Kits Instructor will give you all the tips and tricks needed to complete this or any other Legit Kits FPP Pattern. You will learn to create this beautiful work of art and have a blast doing so in this fun and stress-free class!

In this class, we will create Mini Blue Jay, made up of 40 shades of Robert Kaufman Kona Cotton Solids. If you have considered purchasing a Legit Kits quilt kit before, but have been too intimidated, this is the place for you. Your Certified Instructor will walk you through a simple method for completing this kit that is easy to remember and not difficult to complete! Once you leave this class, you will walk away with the skills and confidence to tackle any Legit Kits quilt pattern!

In Lakeland and Atlanta: instructed by Deb Atchison
In Cleveland: instructed by Jaymi Horne

Sessions: 4

Materials: \$61.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H120X, J136

What Needle Do I Use? Piecing and Quilting

Rhonda Pierce

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Hands-on stitch exercises demonstrate how sewing machine needles, thread, technique, and you, the quilter, control stitch quality. Experience stitching with a variety of needles and fabrics, along with a few surprises.

Elevate confidence in your needle selection. Gain respect for the needle and how it works for you. This is a fun, hands-on class that will change your sewing forever. Sew SCHMETZ!

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$22.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

H122X

Trickle Foundation Paper Piecing (BYOF)

Sarah Thomas

In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Have you always wanted to foundation paper piece but felt too intimidated to try? Or perhaps you tried it once before and gave up because of all the fabric waste? This is the class for you!! Sarah's method of foundation paper piecing yields little to no wasted fabric and is an extremely efficient use of tools and time involved. From the basics of FPP to her tried-and-true techniques you'll be on your way to perfect foundation paper piecing no matter what pattern you tackle. In this class you'll be among the first to piece Trickle pattern from Sarah's new book, Rainbow Quilt Color Method. Grab your favorite colorful scraps to go with a white [provided] background, and let's have some FPP fun!

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$24.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H123X, J139

Do More with your Serger-Workbook Class

Elisa Milano

In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Get ready to test several serger techniques with an emphasis on how to use the many serger feet available to you. This is a workbook-style class where we will document each technique as we go through the most popular serger techniques. You'll leave class with a workbook to take back to your sewing room so you won't forget what you learned!

If you are new to the Serger, this is a great class to explore what the possibilities are on a Serger/Overlock machine. If you are learning the serger with the hopes of mastering the serger, the workbook will be essential for you to duplicate the techniques at home.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$22.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H124X, J140

Rulerwork for Block Patterns

Nancy Scott

In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Take your rulerwork skills to the next level with circles, curves, straight lines and waves to complement and enhance block designs. Previous rulerwork experience is helpful but not required. Working with the BERNINA Q Series sit down longarm you will get hands-on experience with crosshatching, creating circle motifs, stitch-in-the-ditch and more.

Materials fee: panel, batting and backing Rulers provided for in-class use.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H125X, J141

Create Your Own Pattern for Custom-fit Pants

Joe Vecchiarelli

In this comprehensive class led by expert fashion designer, Joe Vecchiarelli, you will learn to draft three pant styles: skinny leg, straight leg, and palazzo. Each student will be measured precisely to create a custom pair of pants. Learn how to transpose the

measurements onto muslin, which will be drafted according to your own size in the style you choose. We will also practice draping with muslin in class. Body forms will be provided, or you may bring your own. Take home a finished muslin pants pattern designed specifically for you.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$37.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H113X, J129

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

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H114X, J130

Serger Frenzy Techniques

LuAnn Hartley

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Barnes Sewing Center

Come explore all the things you can do with a serger besides just finishing the edges of fabric. This is mainly a notebook class, but you can use the techniques created for the pillow pattern shown. You will receive this pillow pattern as part of the kit fee.

Learn how to perfect the flatlock stitch, including a reverse flatlock, gathering with the gathering foot, roll hems and a wave stitch using decorative threads, plus inserting zippers, piping, and applying beads. Join me and let's have fun working with different threads and feet and learning how to apply the new techniques to your projects.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$27.00

Hands-On

Friday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

H118X, J134

Corded Piping for Fine Finishing Detail

Linda McGehee

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

Sessions: 1

Friday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

H116

In-the-Hoop Vinyl Zipper Pouch Set

GlitterBugFairy

In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Zippers can be installed flawlessly on an embroidery machine. It's like Magic! Designer Shanna Neylon, of GlitterBugFairy, has made the process incredibly simple and completely fun. You will love having this skill - and you'll want to add zippers to everything.

In this class you will choose from a selection of exclusive prints to stitch a 6x9" bag, with coordinating key chain and lip balm holder. Your kit includes 53" of printed vinyl, embroidery design files, plus zippers and hardware (eyelets, hook and rings)

to finish even more pouches at home. This special class is one you won't want to miss.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$62.00
Hands-On
Friday 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
H121, J137

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
H115

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 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
J132

What Needle Do I Use? Knits and Specialty Fabrics

Rhonda Pierce

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Hands-on stitch exercises demonstrate how sewing machine needles, thread, technique, and you, the sewist, control stitch quality.

Experience stitching with a variety of needles and fabrics, along with a few surprises.

Elevate confidence in your needle selection. Gain respect for the needle and learn how it works for you. This is a fun, hands-on educational class that will change your sewing forever. Sew SCHMETZ!

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Friday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
J138X

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 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
J131

A Million Little Tips for Garment Sewing

Pattie Otto

Unlock a treasure box of Pattie's tips and tricks for garment sewing – okay, maybe not a million, but enough to elevate your garment sewing game! Gain

the confidence to conquer both woven and knit projects as you dive into the world of professionally finished shirt pockets and collars, flawless hems, knit pullovers, and impeccable zipper techniques for both pants and skirts.

Join Pattie in this class where every tip is a gem, streamlining your garment sewing techniques for efficient and satisfying results. From the art of perfect collars to mastering zippers, let Pattie guide you through a journey of garment sewing mastery. Get ready to sew with flair and finesse, transforming every project into a garment of perfection!

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

Heirloom Crazy Quilt

Nancy Sander

Name a quilting trend that was all the rage in the late 1800s. The Crazy Quilt, made with atypical shapes, mismatched fabrics, then stitched together with elaborate embroidery. As an antique dealer, Nancy Sander decided to create her own heirloom as a wedding gift for her son. See Nancy's quilt, pieced by hand with 74 different embroidery stitches, in this incredible one-of-a-kind lecture workshop. Promising loads of laughter and creative inspiration, you will be delighted by Nancy's stories as you learn the process, plus the meaningful words and symbols she sewed into her quilt.

Next, imagine choosing from bins of vintage fabrics, lace and trims to design your own crazy quilt block! Nancy is bringing her collection so you can stitch a 12-inch block following her technique. Fall crazy in love making your own piece of textile art.

Materials fee: A reprint of vintage embroidery stitches, circa 1940, plus muslin backing.

Sessions: 2
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Friday 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
K149X

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 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
K147X

EmbroideLee: Where Embroidery Meets Rulerwork

Donelle McAdams

*In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio
sponsored by Viking Sewing Gallery*

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

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

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K151, L167XY

Christy Crossbody

Jess VanDenburgh

In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

This fun and versatile crossbody bag is the perfect everyday purse. The outside features two corks to showcase your style and a large, zippered pocket for easy access to keys or your phone. Inside is a cool single welt pocket. It stays close to keeping your belongings safe with a recessed zipper. This bag was named after my BFF so grab your BFF and come make it with me! I'll bring a variety of kits to choose from so there's something for everyone. Several styles to choose from: Sweet & Feminine, Sassy & bold or Classic

Materials fee: Kits are precut and ready for sewing plus they include everything you need - Cork for the outside & handle, lining fabric and all hardware and zippers plus a paper copy of the pattern

Sessions: 4

Materials: \$62.00

Hands-On

Friday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

K152, L168, M184

Power Piecing In-the-Hoop

Tamara Evans

In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Your embroidery machine can be the perfect partner for power piecing your next quilt! If you have pieced in the hoop, then you already know the pleasure of perfect points and precision seams. We will explore the benefits of in-the-hoop piecing while exploring different patterns and possibilities. Then, step up your game and combine the precision of digitized piecing and simple sewing.

No need to fret over quarter inch seams, bias edges, or matching patches. Your piecing will come together quickly and easily. Try it for yourself in this hands-on class. Make eight perfect half-square triangles in mere moments and without measuring or squaring-up! Combine them with other fabric and design your own block. Piecing has never been more precise or entertaining!

Sessions: 3

Hands-On

Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

K153, L169XY

Creative Bindings (BYOF)

LuAnn Hartley

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

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: 4

Materials: \$17.00

Hands-On

Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

K154, L170XY

Spiral Piecing Table Runner

Linda McGehee

In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Discover how simple it is to do spiral piecing. In this easy-going class, there are no points to match! All straight stitching, this project is fundamental and looks more involved than it is. Stitch the strips into a tube to form the angle. Quilt the layers and finish by binding them around the edge. Fast, fun project, and leave with a finished table runner ready for the table! Use small, corded piping for additional detail. Kits use fabric from Linda, Fabric Collection, Queen of the Night.

This is an easy going class for the beginner or seasoned stitcher. Besides the piecing technique, learn 2 different angles for miter corners, get started with quilting the layers.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$37.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K155, L171XY

Frippy Scarf- Rolled Hems and Ruffled Edges

Elisa Milano

In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

This scarf is made using stretch knits, several rolled hemmed techniques, and different threads to create texture and different looks. It is a fun sew, and you will finish class with a new one-of-a-kind scarf you can proudly wear as you shop at the Expo!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$22.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K156, L172XY

Sketchbook Quilting

Sarah Thomas

In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Sketchbook Quilting is Sarah's absolutely approachable, uninhibited, no-rules style of free-motion quilting. In this FUN hands-on workshop, you will become more comfortable drawing your own style of free-motion doodles and watching them come to life on fabric. Building from the foundation pieces Sarah teaches, you can turn your designs into multiple groupings and combinations. Sarah will also show how to use a variety of rulers and stencils to help create basic shapes and line guides for doodling.

By learning this process, you will be ready to create your own set of personal go-to designs and practice fillers, while developing the muscle memory from drawing the doodles. This workshop will teach and encourage you to quilt without rules, thus making each finished quilt unique to your personal style.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$36.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K157, L173XY

Fun, Fit, and Flatter

Joe Vecchiarelli

Do you find that commercial patterns are created with one body shape in mind, and that shape is never yours? In this creative and interactive workshop, Joe Vecchiarelli, professional designer to the stars, will demonstrate how to alter patterns and redesign on a body form. Students will work in a group challenge to reconstruct a commercial pattern in avant-garde style. Joe will coach you through the process teaching techniques for pattern adaptation, structure, and fitting. With trade secrets from Joe and his invaluable feedback, you will have the confidence to redesign patterns that will flatter your body shape for better fitting garments.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$17.00
Hands-On
Friday 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K145, L161XY

White on Whites: Transformed! (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 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
K146, L162XY

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

Jim Suzio
In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Barnes Sewing Center

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
K150, L166XY

Sewing Elastic Waistbands Like a Pro

Pattie Otto
Elastic waistbands, the ultimate in comfort for skirts, pants and shorts can be sewn with professional results every time. This class will show fool proof tips for casing, insertion and hidden applications that eliminates bulk. Pattie will discuss the appropriate elastic types, show you how to measure, mark, and stitch elastic waistbands as well as helpful fitting tips.

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$12.00
Friday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
L164

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
Friday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
L165

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
L163

The Secret to Making Great Bags

Pam Damour

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

Sessions: 1
Friday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
M180

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
Friday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
M181

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 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
M179

Great Fitting Pants with Great Copy Patterns

Pattie Otto

Frustrated by pants fit? Do you want to Try Before You Buy or sew? Join Pattie from Great Copy Patterns as she brings try-ons for her popular pants patterns. Her Maui Pants are for light to mid-weight woven fabrics from challis and cotton to flannel and feature a straight leg. The Long Island Pant is designed for knit fabric and has a slimmer leg that's not too tight. Both have an elastic waist and optional slash or cargo pockets. Once you have tried on the sample pants, Pattie will aid you in the fitting adjustments needed on the paper pattern. She will also show her techniques on how to stitch the pocket and elastic applications. Sizes Hip: 32" to 56"

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$37.00
Hands-On
Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
N197X, P213

Quilted Tablet Cover

Pam Damour

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

In today's digital age, electronics are not just devices; they have become our lifeline, our hub for creativity, and our connection to our best friends! That's why it's essential to protect them with style and flair. Introducing our fabulous, quilted tablet cover, designed with plush padding and a charming micro welt trim that keeps your tablet safe and adds a

touch of elegance. The thoughtfully designed flap features hidden magnets to ensure your device stays snug and secure.

While your kit is prepped to fit a standard iPad, we understand that tablets come in multiple sizes. You are welcome to bring your smaller device along to class, and we'll help you create a perfectly tailored cover just right for you!

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$24.00
Hands-On
Friday 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
N202X, P218

Rainbow Quilt Color Method with Trunk Show

Sarah Thomas

In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

See the SARIDITTY collection of quilts in an explosion of rainbow color. This incredible trunk show features the designs of Sarah Thomas, author of Rainbow Quilt Color Method. Every quilt in the book was made with a full rainbow palette, and each pattern has a suggested secondary fabric selection to produce monotone, seasonal, floral, even patriotic quilts. Every quilter from traditional to modern will be inspired by Sarah's process from pattern design, unique piecing techniques, and finished quilting.

Students are welcome to bring their copy of Rainbow Quilt Color Method for Sarah to sign.

Sessions: 1
Friday 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
N205XX

Saturday 4/5/2025

Embroidered Diva Wallet

Judy Phillips

In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio sponsored by Viking Sewing Gallery

Join us for a creative and hands-on experience in making a Designer Diva Wallet with our combination embroidery and sewing class, led by master sewist and color expert Judy Phillips. In this class, you'll

explore the art of embroidering on cork fabric, a stylish and durable material perfect for this chic wallet project.

Judy will guide you through every step of the process, from the initial embroidery to the detailed construction of the wallet. You'll learn techniques for applying embroidery to cork fabric, ensuring crisp, vibrant results. Judy's expert instruction will also cover the intricacies of wallet construction, including precise hardware installation and pattern adjustments that enhance both the design and functionality of your Diva Wallet.

By the end of the class, you'll have a beautifully crafted wallet and newfound skills that will elevate every bag you create in the future. Judy's exceptional guidance will leave you feeling confident and inspired to tackle new sewing and embroidery projects with flair.

Sessions: 4
Materials: \$45.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q231X, R247

Addicted to BAGS!

Linda McGehee

We've used some sort of bag, tote, or pocket to carry all our 'stuff' for ages. Explore new styles as you see how to incorporate some of the new, trendy shapes and details to make a bag uniquely your own. Learn to use the hardware that makes your bag look like it came straight from an expensive boutique and find ideas for making bags that are creative, fun and fast!

Sessions: 2
Saturday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
Q228X

The Secret to Mastering your Machine's Stitches

Jim Suzio

In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

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
Saturday 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM
Q232X

Summer Berries Food Tent Embroidery with Tulle

Tamara Evans

In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Is it the combination of fresh air and favorite foods that make an afternoon picnic sound so enchanting? Add sweet style to your tablescape with this darling Summer Berries Food Tent. In this innovative class taught by embroidery expert, Tamara Evans, you will embellish a ready-made popup food cover with strawberries and bumblebees. Embroidery on tulle and other fine fabrics creates a unique lace-like appearance. Learn the secrets for design selection, stabilizing, and stitching--techniques you can repeat for doilies, ornaments, clothing, even costumes. Class kit includes the Summer Berries design files and instructions.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$18.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q233X, R249

Voyager Faux Traincase

Jess VanDenburgh

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

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
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q234X, R250

Magical Metallics

Eric Drexler

In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

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: 3
Materials: \$24.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q235X, R251

Cookin' in Color Serger Apron

Elisa Milano

In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

This is not your run-of-the-mill Apron. But in class we will "Whip Up" a perfectly color-blocked apron entirely with the serger. The ease and speed will shock and awe! This really cool apron has two pockets on the front, one obvious and the other hidden with a zipper. There is a towel loop stitched with a rolled hem, nice long ties finished with decorative threads, and the apron is lined on the main for nice, finished corners. Final dimensions: 25" wide x 16" tall.

Materials fee: Pattern and all materials

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$42.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q236X, R252

SARIDITTY Ruler Sampler

Sarah Thomas

In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Are you ready to add the structured look of quilting with rulers to your quilt tops? Perhaps you want to mix and match free-motion quilting with perfect lines, arcs, and waves? This is the workshop for you! Master designer, Sarah Thomas, will guide you through hands-on quilting using a basic straight edge, curved, arced, and wave rulers, plus exclusive SARIDITTY shapes to create crosshatch, arcs, and more! Whether you're new to using rulers or simply want to hone your skills, you will leave the workshop with an abundance of ideas, encouragement, and motivation to add ruler quilting to your repertoire!

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$57.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q237X, R253

Your Custom-fit Sleeve Pattern: Balancing the Armhole

Joe Vecchiarelli

In this comprehensive class led by fashion designer, Joe Vecchiarelli, you will learn to draft the perfect sleeve pattern. Each student's arms will be measured precisely, then you will learn how to transpose the measurements onto paper to create a perfect fitting sleeve for your body. We will discuss the arm cap and how different sleeve styles insert into the garment. Learn how to make adjustments that will balance the armhole for a beautiful fitting and functional sleeve. Finally, Joe will challenge the conventional notion of symmetrical armholes, answering the question of whether your body is truly the same front and back, and discuss the intricacies of sleeve and bodice harmony.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$41.00

Hands-On

Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q225X, R241

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 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Q226X, R242

Waterfall Serger Jacket (BYOF)

Jill McCloy

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Barnes Sewing Center

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 drapery 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. These fabrics are beautiful with beautiful quality and are always on grain.

Sessions: 3
Materials: \$14.00
Hands-On
Saturday 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Q230X, R246

Boot Camp: The Seam Method of 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 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Q229, R245X

Quick Points to the Rescue!

Susan Miller

Hoping to find just the right trim, so you can finish that quilt? Expert sewist, Susan Miller, will show how Quick Points Rulers are the answer for quilts and a variety of sewing projects. **Every student will receive their own ruler with class registration, so you can**

follow along as Susan demonstrates each step with her own unique tips. See how Susan has used Quick Points for quilt borders and binding, plus trim for towels, pillows, even bags, including fabric ricrac. Imagine your projects finished to perfection with Quick Points!

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

Give it a Zip!

Linda McGehee

Unlock the magic of zipper installation with Linda as your guide! Discover the versatility of zippers in garments, pockets, pillows, and handbags. Linda will demystify the process, showing you how to effortlessly insert zippers in various applications. Learn essential skills such as adjusting zipper length and reattaching sliders for a seamless finish. Elevate your projects by incorporating decorative zippers, letting them make a bold statement. With Linda's expert tips, the possibilities are endless, and the results are guaranteed fun. Say goodbye to zipper woes and embrace trouble-free installation for your next garment or bag project!

Sessions: 1
Materials: \$7.00
Saturday 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
R244

Bridal and Formal Wear Alterations

Virginia Jenkins

In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

A bridal gown is a beautiful, flowing garment that often includes a long, elegant train. While the train is stunning during the ceremony, it can be cumbersome during the reception. Bustling a bridal gown allows the train to be lifted off the ground, making it easier for the bride to move around and dance comfortably. Here, we'll guide you through the process of bustling a bridal gown.

In this class we will discuss and learn the different types of bustles. The American (Overbustle) is the one we will learn to create in this class.

Ideally, students need to bring a gown with a train to bustle. I will provide additional gowns to borrow but

they will remain with me after class. They cannot be taken home.

Appearance: The train is lifted over the outside of the dress and attached to the back, creating a waterfall effect.

Features: This bustle usually involves several hooks or buttons placed along the waistline or below.

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$97.00

Hands-On

Saturday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

R248X

Introduction to Digitizing with Floriani Software

Floriani Educator

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

This class will be taught by Ashley Dell

Sessions: 1

Saturday 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

R243X

Tools, Tips and Tricks Every Sewer Needs

Donelle McAdams

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

Get the answers to some of your most pressing sewing questions including which threads and notions to use. Gain knowledge of significant sewing secrets from an expert with years of sewing

experience. This fast-paced class will have you saying I WISH I HAD KNOWN THAT SOONER! and WHY DID I NOT THINK OF THAT? Experience that AH-HA moment for yourself and take your sewing skills to the next level.

Sessions: 2

Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

S260X

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 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

S261X, T277X

Fabric Painting: Create Your Own Textiles (BYOF)

Jo Ann Wetzel

This engaging hands-on workshop is designed to empower you to craft one-of-a-kind fabrics effortlessly. Throughout the session, you will master the art of fabric painting through the exploration of several distinct techniques.

Fabric design is not just about creating; it is about understanding the processes, embracing the unexpected, and nurturing your creativity.

Unleash your creativity as you bring vibrant colors to life on fabric canvases. Whether you are a quilting enthusiast, garment maker, or embroidery artist, this class provides the perfect platform to enhance your skills and infuse your projects with a personal touch.

Join us and discover the joy of transforming plain fabrics into unique masterpieces that will elevate your quilts, garments, and embroidery projects to a whole new level. Walk away with not only newfound skills but also a collection of custom-made fabrics that reflect your individual style and artistic flair. Let your imagination run wild in this inspiring fabric painting journey!

Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

S258X

The Holiday Amaryllis

Jim Suzio

In the Husqvarna Viking Embroidery Studio sponsored by Viking Sewing Gallery

A continuation of Jim's "blooming in the hoop series," the Holiday Amaryllis is the second entry in the series where you will not only create a three-dimensional floral design but assemble it in the hoop as well!

Once created, it will bloom open for a unique tea light accessory for your holiday enjoyment. As an interactive embroidery design, you will learn that your machine can do more than just embroider a towel.

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

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S263, T279X

Little Big Mouth Pouch

Marsha Kirsch

In the Pfaff Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Introducing the Little Bigmouth—a bag of endless possibilities! This versatile bag is a sewing enthusiast's dream, perfect for carrying all your supplies—clips, pins, threads, bobbins, and more. For the fashion-forward individual, it doubles as a

perfect purse companion, accommodating all your personal items with ease. And let's not forget about the outdoorsman—ideal for storing a plethora of fishing lures for your next adventure!

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

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

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$25.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S264, T280X

Applique and IQ Designer

Michelle Gillombardo

In the Baby Lock Embroidery Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

Forget about your sewing machine and allow the embroidery machine to effortlessly stitch your applique pieces and enhance your quilt blocks - all done in the hoop! With a step-by-step, hands-on approach, my class offers a stress-free learning environment.

This technique class will help you gain confidence in using IQ Designer on the embroidery machine while crafting custom applique quilt blocks. You'll explore various icons, understand the difference between applique and fill stitches, learn about line properties, line art, and much more! Plus, with your applique stitch sample, you can take it home and turn it into a project of your choosing! Let's enjoy the creative process together.

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$14.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

S265, T281XY

Exquisite Paper Piecing with Sulky

Eric Drexler

In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Pins & Needles

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 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S266, T282X

Woven Fabric Basket

Jaymi Horne

In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Join us in the joy of crafting as we create a practical and stylish fabric basket! In this hands-on workshop, you will be the designer, choosing the size and design elements that match your unique style. Discover the art of weaving as you bring together strips of fabric to craft a beautiful and functional basket. Learn essential techniques to kickstart your project and master the finishing touches, including the addition of handles. Let your creativity flourish and embark on a delightful journey to craft a customized fabric basket that is as unique as you are!

Materials fee: Everything needed to make the basket

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$22.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S267, T283X

Six Serger Techniques You Need To Know

Pam Damour

In the Bernina Serger Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

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

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

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

Sessions: 4

Materials: \$42.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S268, T284X

Rulerwork for Big Blocks

Nancy Scott

In the Bernina Q Series Sit Down Longarm Studio sponsored by Chestnut Ridge Sewing

Not sure what to quilt in an 18" block? Does all the open space scare you? Let's explore some rulerwork options for filling those big spaces with motifs and background fills. Working with the BERNINA Q Series sit down longarm you will get hands-on experience with stitch-in-the-ditch, creating focal motifs like the circle array and bursting hearts, stitching easy border and sashing options and more. Learn how a basic freemotion meander completes any design.

Class uses a panel. BERNINA will provide rulers for in-class use. 2 students per machine.

Materials fee: panel, backing, batting

Sessions: 3

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S269, T285X

Sew Like a Pro

Joe Vecchiarelli

While you may have started sewing as a hobby, repeating rookie mistakes ruins all the fun. Spend one hour with expert designer, Joe Vecchiarelli, who will have you stitching like the pros. Learn innovative techniques and special tricks to build your sewing skills. Have you ever inserted a sleeve in backward or matched the wrong sides together? Avoid common mistakes by following Joe's system so you will never make mistakes like this again.

Joe will share professional fitting secrets too, including topics that are not taught anywhere else, like the importance of darts and dart placement, plus how to make dart adjustments. This new information-packed lecture is a must see.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

S257

Serger Bags 102: Let's Do Zippers Again!

LuAnn Hartley

In the Juki Serger Studio sponsored by Barnes Sewing Center

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.

Bag number one is a Vinyl Pouch. Bag number two is constructed with cotton and has two lined zippered pockets. The third bag will be constructed with faux leather/vinyl 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: 4

Materials: \$29.00

Hands-On

Saturday 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

S262, T278X

Hallmarks of Beautiful Machine Embroidery

Floriani Educator

Floriani is the name that means beautiful embroidery. We'll start by reviewing file sizes and stitch counts to select quality embroidery designs, then share stabilizing solutions for a variety of fabrics with steps to prevent puckering. By examining stitches from the back side of the hoop, we can detect common embroidery mistakes and see how thread choice creates more polished stitchwork. Compare finished samples and receive expert resources from Floriani that will indeed make your embroidery even more beautiful.

Sessions: 1

Saturday 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

S259

Sewing with Specialty Knits

Pattie Otto

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

Sessions: 2

Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

T276

Marvelous Marbles: The Art of Fabric Marbling (BYOF)

Jo Ann Wetzel

Immerse yourself in a hands-on experience that will have you effortlessly designing your own one-of-a-kind fabrics using everyday household items.

Unleash your creativity as you dive into the enchanting realm of coloring and marbling fabrics and lace. Throughout the class, you will master several unique techniques that will elevate your textile creations to new heights.

Picture yourself leaving the class with a collection of uniquely marbled fabrics and colored lace, each infused with your own personal touch. Whether you

are a quilting enthusiast, a garment designer, or an embroidery artist, these marvelous marbles are bound to add a touch of magic to your projects.

Join us on this vibrant journey of artistic expression and discover the joy of transforming ordinary fabrics into extraordinary masterpieces. Let the colors swirl and let your imagination soar in the dynamic world of fabric marbling – where every creation is as unique as you are!

Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details

Sessions: 2

Materials: \$32.00

Hands-On

Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

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