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**MORE THE DAY BEFORE**  
**Wednesday 3/12/25**

**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](mailto:info@sewingexpo.com) or call 800-699-6309 as soon as you register for class.**

**Exhibit Hall Room 1**

**Free Motion Quilter's Playbook: Materials, Machines, and Design Mastery (MDB)**

MDB303X, MDB363X

Lauren Jackson

*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

Ever struggled with selecting the right materials or felt let down by your finished quilt? Whether it's a wall hanging, a cherished gift, or a cozy bed quilt, every choice you make impacts the final look and feel. Join this beginner-friendly class to master material selection: batting, thread, fabrics, needles, and design density. Ensuring you set yourself up for success before you take your first stitch.

Get hands on time on the longarms as we navigate 10+ foundational free-motion fillers, designed to build your skills, elevate your quilting game and hide a multitude of sins! It's not just the designs you know that make your quilts amazing, but how you choose to stitch them that matters. Lauren is excited to share this class with you.

This class is great for beginner longarm quilters or for those looking at the possibility of adding a longarm to their sewing studios.

8 Sessions  
Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 18

**Student Supply List:**

Bring Things to take notes, handouts will be provided feel free to bring extra notepads and pens.

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Come with an open mind!

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Beginners testing kit complete with 3 different kinds of threads, and 6 different kinds of batting samples, plus a batting sample booklet. This also includes materials to use on the longarm machines.

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**Exhibit Hall Room 2**

**Kennewick Jacket (BYOF) (MDB)**

MDB304X, MDB364X

Jill McCloy

*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

This patterned jacket is fun, creative, comfortable, and wonderfully stylish to wear. It is extremely versatile; you may choose optional contrast fabrics, embroidered or focus fabric additions, various styles, garment length, sleeve length, optional contrast cuff, changed lapels or no lapels, decorative back panels or pleats, and the list goes on.

The Kennewick jacket is designed for fun and creativity. Feel free to add some sparkles with heat-set crystals or beads or insert your favorite embroideries or trims. Have fun playing with design ideas on this complete serger-stitched garment, then show off your personal version of the Kennewick jacket.

Be inspired by the many design options in the instructions. Fun fashion and creativity, what could be better?

8 Sessions  
Rookies and Refreshers, Fiber and Needle Arts, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Stretch Your Creativity  
Student Maximum: 20

#### Student Supply List:

3½ yd. main fabric

½ to ¾ yd. contrast fabric

Yard stick

Rotary Cutter

Straight pins

Options: Fat Quarter Embroidered or Focus Fabric, need not be rayon; 1 cone pearl crown rayon, may be purchased on YLI website or Amazon for decorative flatlock.

A word on fabrics: Drapey fabrics (not clingy) are the most slenderizing. Those that tear on grain will cut your time in half and ensure that you finish your project. Looking good on both sides is a plus. My choice is a good quality rayon. I usually use SewBatik brand rayons, great quality, always delivered on grain, tear nicely in both directions, wash and drape beautifully and they have excellent customer service.

#### Student Advanced Prep:

See customer supply list

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

#### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome!

#### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 100% of the project

#### Kit Contents:

Pattern

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### Lake Hollingsworth B

#### From Scraps to Applique (BYOF) (MDB)

MDB301X, MDB361X  
Deb Atchison

Scrappy Applique offers a delightful, quick, and engaging approach to raw-edge applique, suitable for both novice and seasoned quilters alike. Dive into this innovative technique, renowned for its accessibility and boundless creative potential. Led by experienced quilter Deb, this workshop promises to inspire and empower participants to bring their chosen patterns to vibrant life. Join us for a day of creativity, camaraderie, and most of all FUN! **Bring your own fabric; see the supply list for details.**

8 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Just for Fun, Crafting, More the Day Before, Applique, Piecing Techniques  
Student Maximum: 56

#### Student Supply List:

- Your choice of Scrappy Applique Pattern can be purchased at [tiny.cc/sbpatterns](http://tiny.cc/sbpatterns)
- 28mm rotary cutter with new blade
- 6x18-inch rotary ruler
- Fabric scissors
- Permanent fabric marker not removable by heat such as Micron pens
- Fray check
- Reynolds brand parchment paper
- Any sewing tool you cannot sew without
- If purchasing a small pattern you need two patterns for the class
- If you have questions email Deb at [debatchison@gmail.com](mailto:debatchison@gmail.com)
- **Note:** Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom.
- **To ensure your left behind items can be returned to you, label them with your last name and email or phone number.**

#### Fabric requirements:

- 8-12 fat eighths or equivalent large scraps of fabric **and** background fabric

- Check the pattern you purchased for the exact fabric requirements for both
- Purchase digital pattern of your choice at [tiny.cc/sbpatterns](http://tiny.cc/sbpatterns).

#### Student Advanced Prep:

- Purchase, print and tape together the digital pattern prior to class.
- **Note:** 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](mailto:info@sewingexpo.com) or call 800-699-6309 as soon as you register for class.

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

#### Student Experience Level:

- All skills welcome

#### Student Completion Level:

- Most will complete 75 percent of project

#### Kit Contents:

- A kit with the basic stabilizer and fusible web will be supplied.
- 2 yards of Pellon 906F Stabilizer
- 2 yards of Mistyfuse

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

MDB300X, MDB360X  
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>.

8 Sessions

More the Day Before, Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 24

#### Student Supply List:

- Paper scissors
- Dressmaker shears
- Small scissors or snips
- Glass headed pins
- Tape measure
- Seam gauge (6-inch ruler)
- Pencil
- Fabric marking instrument (pen, pencil or chalk)
- Seam ripper.

#### ***Be sure to label all sewing tools with your name***

ALSO – each student must have a quality professional form for class. The form must be fully pin-able with collapsible shoulders, base and stand. If you have purchased a form from Joe in the past, bring your form to class. Otherwise, contact Joe to purchase your form at least 3 weeks prior to the event.

Select from ([click here for measurement chart](#))

- **Full body form**, including padding: SHOW SPECIAL: \$1,195, plus \$235 shipping (*regularly \$2195 plus shipping*)
- **Half body form (dress form)** including padding: SHOW SPECIAL: \$995, plus \$235 shipping (*regularly \$1595 plus shipping*)
- Note: Body covers can be purchased in the classroom for \$49, to fit the form body size.

All forms will be shipped directly to the EXPO and will be delivered to the classroom.

To place an order:

- Call 818 649-1742 9am – 4pm PT
- Email [sales@frencheuropean.net](mailto:sales@frencheuropean.net)

day-to-day operations with confidence.

### Student Advanced Prep:

**Note:** 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](mailto:info@sewingexpo.com) or call 800-699-6309 as soon as you register for class.

### Student Course Prerequisite:

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

### Student Experience Level:

- Beginner

### Student Completion Level:

- Dress form will be padded and draped with muslin box pleat jacket.

### Kit Contents:

- 2" x 18" grid ruler
- Industrial tracing wheel
- Metal 24" curve Vary Form ruler
- Soft lead Berol pencil
- #17 French curve rule
- #24 straight pins
- Muslin

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## Lake Parker C

### Everything You Need to Know to Start Your Own Craft Business (MDB)

MDB302X, MDB362X

Kris Vierra

It's easy and profitable to start your own crafting business. This comprehensive class is designed to provide you with the essential knowledge and tools to successfully launch and run a crafting, sewing, or longarm quilting business. We'll cover every aspect, from navigating the startup phase to understanding pricing strategies and creating effective scheduling systems. You'll learn how to attract and retain customers, build a strong client base, and manage the

In this class, we'll address key topics such as developing a pricing structure that reflects your skills and market value, implementing efficient scheduling practices to handle multiple projects, and crafting a customer service approach that keeps clients coming back. We'll also discuss marketing strategies to help you get your name out there and build an excellent reputation.

Whether you're just starting out or need to refine existing business practices, expert entrepreneur Kris Vierra will share practical insights and actionable steps to ensure your business thrives. You will leave class with the expertise and confidence needed to turn your crafting passions into a successful and rewarding venture.

8 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Technology, For Profit, Experienced Sewers, Creative Connection  
Student Maximum: 24

### Student Supply List:

Paper and Pencil

### Student Advanced Prep:

No advance prep

### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome

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## Sikes F

### Thread Sketching & Fabric Painting (MDB)

MDB307X, MDB367X

Eric Drexler

*In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Flash Sew & Quilt*

The first half of the class will be learning Free Motion Thread Sketching using a simple straight stitch. Eric will show you several ways to improve your free motion skills while you create the foundation.

The second half of the class will be Fabric Painting, which builds on the first half of the class. There are tons of details to absorb, including Thread, Needles, Paint, Shading, and, of course, a Free Motion skill builder. Eric always brings a small trunk show of samples, giving more ideas and inspiration for what you can do with your new machine skills.

8 Sessions

More the Day Before, Quiltmaking, Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 16

**Student Supply List:**

Clothes you can get paint on or a smock

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Fabric

Batting

Thread

Needles

Paint

Brushes

Pattern

Directions

**Notions:**

Tables to work at

Travel Irons (4 per classroom)

No stabilizer

No needles

Painting class so plastic table covers

**Faculty Supply List:**

Kit provided

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**Sikes G**

**Sleep-worthy Serger Jammies! (MDB)**

MDB306X, MDB366X

Kathy McMakin

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by  
Fabric Warehouse*

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

8 Sessions

Just for Fun, More the Day Before, Experience the Serger

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Tape measure
- Pins or clips
- Scissors
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- Rotary ruler
- Any sewing supplies you cannot sew without.
- **Note:** *Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom.*
- **Label all sewing tools with your name**

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Note: 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](mailto:info@sewingexpo.com) or call 800-699-6309 as soon as you register for class.

**Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete 75 percent or more.

**Kit Contents:**

- Multi-sized pattern for top and bottoms
- Knit fabric
- Coordinating woven fabrics
- Elastic
- Serger piping cord

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**Sikes H**

**Sweet Spring Embroidered Sweaters (BYOF) (MDB)**

MDB305X, MDB365X

Pattie Otto

*In the Pfaff Embroidery Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

Welcome springtime with a gorgeous sweater or twin set that you've custom embroidered with whimsical flowers, blossoms and a busy butterfly. Pattie will teach you to embroider these on a classic button front sweater as you learn easy stabilizing and hooping methods without damaging the sweater.

Pattie has the easy placement techniques and the proper toppers to use for these fine-knit sweater fabrics. Knits are one of Pattie's specialties. The class will also discuss the best embroidery designs to choose, stabilizer-fails to avoid, fabric nuances to adjust for, and sew much more.

8 Sessions

Machine Embroidery, Just for Fun, Stretch Your Creativity

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Basic Sewing supplies

Scissors

Seam Ripper

Tweezers

Paper scissors

Embroidery Thread (rayon or poly sheen): One or two shades of green, two shades of at least 3 other colors. See the ideas shown or use your own color palate.

Bobbin weight thread to match the sweater color. (White, black and Ivory are available)

Flash Drive/Memory Stick

Optional: Blunt tipped double bent scissors

Cardigan Style Sweater or Twin Set: cotton/acrylic/blend only, NO WOOL. Fine or light gauge, flat weave, NO cables, ribbed, waffle or other textures. No need to pre-wash sweaters. Questions? Contact Pattie at [info@greatcopy.com](mailto:info@greatcopy.com).

**Student Advanced Prep:**

See supply list

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Advanced Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Flower Whimsy Embroidery Designs from Great Copy Patterns, Machine Embroidery on Sweaters booklet on Flash Drive and designs, cut away mesh-type stabilizer (white, ivory, black, Pattie may have other pastel colors available), adhesives and water soluble templates.

Instructor provides stabilizer

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## Sikes I

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

MDB308X, MDB368X

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Brother Embroidery Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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.

Even if you have a long arm, this is a great way to do smaller projects. Plus, quilting borders are so easy with the embroidery machine that you won't wanna do borders any other way! This method of machine quilting is something you will want to do repeatedly. As a bonus, get to test drive the latest embroidery and quilting technology from Brother with the help of LuAnn and the team from Tops.

8 Sessions

Machine Embroidery, More the Day Before, Quiltmaking  
Student Maximum: 20

#### Student Supply List:

Rotary Cutter

6" x 24" Ruler

Scissors

Seam Ripper

Quilt Clips

Stiletto

#### Student Advanced Prep:

No advance prep

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

#### Student Experience Level:

Beginner

#### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 75% or more

#### Kit Contents:

fabric and batting for the quilt

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## Sikes K

### The Cross-Over Sling Bag (MDB)

MDB309X, MDB369X

Pam Damour

*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

Join us for a dynamic class where you'll create a stylish and functional crossbody bag designed to keep all your essentials within easy reach. This compact yet roomy bag features both front and back outside pockets, offering additional storage space and convenient access to frequently used items.

Throughout the workshop, you'll learn how to construct this versatile bag, which boasts a wide crossbody strap for maximum comfort and support. The design allows you to adjust the strap so the bag can comfortably sit on either shoulder, providing flexibility and making it perfect for any activity, from daily errands to casual outings.

We'll guide you through each step of the process, from assembling the bag to adding finishing touches. You'll gain practical skills in sewing techniques and learn how to create a bag that's both functional and stylish.

This class is ideal for those looking to enhance their sewing skills while crafting a unique accessory that suits their personal style. By the end of the workshop, you'll walk away with a beautifully crafted crossbody bag that combines practicality with elegance, ready to accompany you on your daily adventures.

8 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Accessories, Just for Fun,  
More the Day Before, Sewing Efficiencies, Stretch Your

Creativity  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Seam Ripper
- Basting tape
- Wonder clips
- FriXion or fabric marking pen
- Straight pins
- SHARP scissors
- Rotary Cutter with a New Blade
- Rotary Ruler
- Anything You Cannot Sew Without

**Note: Cutting mats will be available in classrooms for student use.**

**To ensure items can be returned, please label all supplies with your name and email.**

**Student Experience Level:**

Advanced Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project.

**Kit Contents:**

- All fabrics cut to size
- All stabilizers cut to size
- Pattern with video tutorial
- Zippers
- Strap hardware
- Assorted fabrics to choose from!

curves even if they're not a "perfect" fit for your project. Learn how to quilt stunning designs without marking your quilt, using just one straight and one curved ruler. We'll begin with foundational techniques and progress to advanced combinations to elevate your skills and get those custom juices flowing! Get ready for a fun, info-packed session. Have rulers already and not sure how to use them? grab your rulers and join us!

4 Sessions  
Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 18

**Student Supply List:**

Bring Things to take notes, handouts will be provided feel free to bring extra notepads and pens.

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Come with an open mind!

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Kit includes: Handouts, Materials to quilt on the longarm quilting machine, and to make available stencils, marking tools and rulers for class.

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**Exhibit Hall Room 1**

**Mark It, Quilt It: Ruler Skills for Custom Quilting**

A14X, B30X

Lauren Jackson

*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

Excited to dive into the world of ruler work but not sure where to start? This class is your guide to selecting the right rulers, understanding their markings, and handling

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**Exhibit Hall Room 2**

**Serger Bags 101: Let's Do Zippers!**

A13X, B29

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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.

**4 Sessions**

Accessories, Just for Fun, Crafting, Gift Items, Embellishment, Creative Connection, Experience the Serger, Stretch Your Creativity  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Scissors
- Pins or Clips
- Marking Tool
- Seam Ripper
- Rotary Cutter with a New Blade
- Rotary Ruler
- Large Eye Hand Sewing Needle or Bodkin
- Seam Roller
- Any sewing supplies you cannot sew without

**Note: There will be cutting mats available in the classroom for student use.**

***To ensure your left behind items can be returned to you, label them with your last name and email or phone number.***

**Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete the project

**Kit Contents:**

- All fabrics
- Zippers

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**Hyatt Place Room**

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

**Sewing**

A 5X

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.

**1 Sessions**

Accessories

Student Maximum: 50

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**Lake Morton E**

**Free Motion Quilting Made Easy**

A 9X, B25

Eric Drexler

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

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

**4 Sessions**

Quiltmaking, Longarm Quilting

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Frixion, washaway, or Fade away pen

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

Fabric

Batting

Threads

Needles

Patterns

Directions

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**Lake Parker C**
**Hardware for Handbags**

A 3X, B19

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. 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.

3 Sessions

Fashion Sewing, Embellishment, Surface Design

Student Maximum: 24

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

The comprehensive class kit includes all the necessary hardware, along with meticulous written instructions in sheet protectors.

**Tailors Tips for a Professional Look**

A 2X

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.

1 Sessions

Student Maximum: 24

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**Sikes F**
**Sewing Machine Essentials**

A 8X, B24

Kris Vierra

*In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Flash Sew & Quilt*

If you're new to sewing and feeling a bit overwhelmed, join Kris in this beginner-friendly class where she demystifies the sewing machine. Learn to navigate your machine with confidence as we delve into thread and needle selections, tackle various fabric types, troubleshoot common mistakes, and unlock the potential of your machine's feet and stitches, from the fundamental to the fancy. As a bonus, you'll leave the

class with a stylish hot pad set—a tangible reminder of your newfound sewing prowess!

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Just for Fun, Sewing Efficiencies, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 16

**Student Supply List:**

- Scissors
- Pins or clips
- Marking tool
- Seam ripper
- Any sewing supplies you cannot sew without.
- **Note:** *Label all sewing tools with your name.*

**Student Experience Level:**

- Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete 75 percent or more of the project

**Kit Contents:**

- Precut fabric
- Thermal batting
- Instructions

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

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

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Fashion Sewing, Experience the Serger  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Paper scissors
- Dressmaker shears
- Small scissors or snips
- Straight pins
- Tape measure
- Seam gauge (6-inch ruler)
- Pencil
- Marking instrument (pen, pencil, or chalk)
- Seam ripper
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- 6 x 18-inch rotary ruler
- Any other notions you cannot sew without
- **Note:** *Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom*
- **Label all sewing tools with your name.**

**Student Experience Level:**

- Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete the project

**Kit Contents:**

- Pattern
- Fabric for the t-top
- Digital pattern for multiple sizes.

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**Sikes G**

**Knit Tee-Top: Serging for Rookies**

A 7X, B23

Kathy McMakin

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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

## Sikes H

### **Crafting Elegance: In-the-Hoop Embroidered Scissor Case (BYOF)**

A 6X, B22

Deb Atchison

*In the Pfaff Embroidery Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

Explore the world of intricate in-the-hoop embroidery designs with our engaging class! Deb will guide you through the creation of a charming scissor case using a complimentary in-the-hoop pattern. This hands-on session empowers you to infuse your personal flair by selecting fabrics and threads that resonate with your style. **Bring your own fabric; see supply list for details.**

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Machine Embroidery, Just for Fun, Crafting, Gift Items, Experienced Sewers, Embellishment, Creative Connection

Student Maximum: 20

#### **Student Supply List:**

#### **Fabric Requirements:**

- Fabric A - 4" x 8"
- Fabric B - 7" x 8"
- Fabric C - 8" x 9"
- Fabric D 9" x 14"
- 4 Small Scraps at least 3-4"
- Fabric for Lining - 2 pieces 9" x 14"

#### **Notions:**

- Applique scissors
- Fabric glue stick
- Fabric
- Rotary Cutter with a New Blade
- Rotary Ruler

**Note: Cutting mats will be provided in classrooms for student use.**

**To ensure your left behind items can be returned to you, label them with your last name and email or phone number.**

#### **Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

#### **Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete 75 percent of project

#### **Kit Contents:**

USB Flashdrive with Embroidery Files

Batting

Zipper

Ribbon

D-Ring

Washi-Tape

Purple Thing

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## Sikes I

### **Of Course You Can Quilt!**

A11X, B27

Carrie Philpott

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

A Beginners Guide To Making Your First (and probably not your last) Quilt!

Have you ever been to a quilt show and wondered how does someone create that? Here's your chance to not just discover the 6 different techniques that make up most quilt designs, but actually make a basic quilt top to take home. Join Carrie - the reluctant quilter- who never thought that quilting could ever become the passion of her lifetime as she guides you through the steps to a successful first project!

3 Sessions

Crafting, Home Decor, Quiltmaking, Experience the Serger, Sewing Efficiencies

Student Maximum: 20

#### **Student Supply List:**

Basic sewing supplies:

Pins

Scissors

Rotary Cutter

Tape Measure

Awl

Seam Ripper

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

All necessary Quilt cotton to make a lap/crib size quilt top

**Let Your Machine Make it Easy**

A12X, B28

Jerry Stube

*In the Brother Embroidery Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

Learn the essentials of using the embroidery system on the Brother Luminaire embroidery machine. Each student will learn to load the fabric in the hoop correctly, and learn how to embroidery on a tea towel. This class will cover a wide range of possibilities and features of the new machine technology.

It will be fun to take one of these beautiful machines for a test drive. Is it hard? NO! Is it fun? YES. You will spend time learning and experimenting with the machine-and leave with a beautifully created gift for yourself or a friend.

3 Sessions

Machine Embroidery, Just for Fun, Crafting, Gift Items

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

A sense of adventure and excitement

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Enough rope to make a coaster to be embroidered.

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**Sikes K**

**Pelican Beach Miniature Quilt**

A10X, B26

Jill McCloy

*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

What a little charmer with so many techniques all in one sweet little Pelican?? Pictorial Quilt project. Applique, tapered satin stitch, double-mitered borders, free motion surf, a tiny pelican eye, and a savvy technique for turning to get a perfectly straight closure.

It's not strictly about technique, it's also learning the where and the why of the various techniques and how to creatively put them all together to produce a charming vignette quilt.

3 Sessions

Quiltmaking, Finishing Your Quilt

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Ruler

Rotary Cutter

Straight Pins

Scissors

## Lake Parker D

### Student Advanced Prep:

No advance prep

### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome!

### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 75% or more

### Kit Contents:

Pattern, perfect applique film, all fabrics, batting, stabilizer

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## Lake Hollingsworth A

### Fitting a Dress Form to You

A 1, B17  
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.

2 Sessions  
Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Sewing Efficiencies  
Student Maximum: 24

### An Eye for Fit

A 4  
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.

1 Sessions  
Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 48

### Student Supply List:

No Supply List

### Student Advanced Prep:

No Advanced Prep

### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisite

### Student Experience Level:

All skill levels welcome

### Student Completion Level:

Not Applicable

### Kit Contents:

No Kit

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## Hyatt Place Room

### Embroidery Software Overview

B21X  
Tamara Evans

Embroidery software is a powerful partner in your embroidery endeavors. In this class, we will explore the features and functions that make it an essential tool for altering, improving and creating embroidery designs. Even if you are not ready to create your own designs from scratch, or aren't computer savvy, software is a valuable tool to enhance your embroidery experience for minimal to no expense. From auditioning color changes, adding lettering, resizing and printing placement templates to editing design elements, combining designs, altering designs for different fabrics, and building a design from scratch; embroidery software is worth exploring!

1 Sessions  
Machine Embroidery, Creative Connection  
Student Maximum: 50

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

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**Lake Hollingsworth B**

**PDF Patterns 101**

B18  
Sara Robitaille

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

1 Sessions  
Rookies and Refreshers, Fashion Sewing, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 56

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**Lake Parker D**

**Knits for the Absolutely Terrified**

B20X  
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 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.

1 Sessions  
Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 48

**Kit Contents:**

Knits for the Absolutely Terrified Booklet

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**Hyatt Place Room**

**Fast & Easy Projects to Finish in Under 1 Hour!**

C37X  
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.

1 Sessions  
Rookies and Refreshers, Streamlined Sewing, Just for Fun, Crafting, Gift Items  
Student Maximum: 50

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

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## Lake Parker C

### Lake Hollingsworth A

#### Create a Custom Bodice Using a Dress Form

C33X, D49

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.

3 Sessions

Student Maximum: 24

#### Kit Contents:

2 yards of muslin for draping and making the bodice pattern.

#### My Block Piecer Software

C35X

Tamara Evans

If you have discovered the joy of piecing quilt blocks in the hoop but are frustrated by the limited number of pattern options, this class is for you! My Block Piecer software builds the perfect in-the-hoop block in just a few clicks. Not only does it come with a catalog of over 1200 resizable blocks to build, you can also create your own patterns right in the software. Pick your block size and leave the rest of the math and quarter inch seam allowances to the software. And if you like to use precut patches, the software generates patch layouts and templates as well as digital cutter files. You can even audition fabrics before cutting and stitching to ensure the perfect result.

1 Sessions

Quiltmaking, Finishing Your Quilt

Student Maximum: 24

#### Student Supply List:

No supply list

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## Exhibit Hall Room 1

### Lake Morton E

#### Collars and Cuffs

C41X

Jim Suzio

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

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.

2 Sessions

Fashion Sewing, Garment Style and Design, Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 20

#### Introduction to Longarm Quilting

C46, D62, E78

Kris Vierra

*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

New to longarm quilting and not sure where to start? This class will take the fear out of your machine. It's easy to be overwhelmed with the thought of buying a longarm and learning how to use your new, but terrifying and expensive machine.

If you're scared to touch your machine, or just unsure where to start, join Kris for a hands-on introduction to longarming that will have you up and quilting in no time. Kris will take the fear out of using your machine, starting with the basics. She will teach you how to load the machine and the importance of a square backing. She'll cover thread choices, batting, needle size, common tension issues and more.

Kris' stress-free approach will have you feeling confident and excited to start playing.



3 Sessions  
Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 18

**Student Supply List:**

Paper and Pencil

Snips

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Kit Contents:**

backing, batting and top fabric

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**Exhibit Hall Room 2**

**The FUNdamental Tote**

C43, D59, E75

Leslie Anthony

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

Say hello to the FUNdamental Tote, the ultimate companion for beginners on their sewing adventure. This delightful pattern is your gateway to creating a timeless, classy bag that will turn heads wherever you go, all while honing your sewing skills with ease. The Fundamental Tote is thoughtfully designed to be beginner-friendly, with step-by-step instructions that make it a breeze to follow. So whether you're new to sewing or just looking for a relaxing project to hone your skills, this pattern has got you covered.

4 Sessions

Just for Fun, Crafting, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Sewing Fundamentals

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advanced prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

Basic sewing knowledge

**Student Experience Level:**

Advanced Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

- Vinyl or cork exterior
- Cotton lining
- Hardware

**Date Night Dress**

C45, D61, E77

Sara Robitaille

*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

Need a perfect date night dress? Or just want to look fab any day of the week? We got you! Join us to learn how to make this subtly sexy, super comfortable knit dress. Whether you have never touched a serger before or you are an old pro, we will walk you through making this universally flattering, short sleeved corset style dress with equal amounts humor and patience.

Your dress will be precut and ready to sew for you, so please make sure to communicate your measurements and fabric choice well in advance so we can get it ready!

3 Sessions

Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Experience the Serger

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Basic sewing supplies:

Fabric marking pen

Clips/pins

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Email [info@sewingexpo.com](mailto:info@sewingexpo.com) with your measurements.

Your dress will be precut and ready to sew for you, so please make sure to communicate your measurements and fabric choice well in advance so we can get it ready!

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

Basic sewing skills

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Precut fabric in customers chosen size and color Code for download of pdf pattern after class

### Lake Hollingsworth B

**Know Your Knit Fabrics**

C34  
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.



1 Sessions  
Rookies and Refreshers, Experienced Sewers, Fashion Sewing

Student Maximum: 56

**Kit Contents:**

Fabric swatches and *Knits for the Absolutely Terrified* booklet.

### Lake Parker D

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

C36  
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.

1 Sessions  
Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 48

**Student Supply List:**

No Supplies Needed

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No Advanced Prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No Prerequisite

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skill Levels Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Not Applicable

**Kit Contents:**

No Kit

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**Sikes F**

**Let's Go To Miami's Mallory Square**

C40, D56XY

Jerry Stube

*In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Flash Sew & Quilt*

The Mallory Square quilt was designed to create the atmosphere of the beautiful Mallory Square district of Miami. The bright colors, the jazzy sounds, and the majestic sunsets all echoing through the design. This quilt pattern will teach you a fast and fabulous way to cut your quilt pieces in jiffy to get to the sewing part faster. You'll be surprised at how fun and easy this method is.

Each block creates an element of surprise with colors! When you have completed the top, you will want to add a delicious backing fabric, which I call Tequila Sunrise (not included in the kit but available). We will use the ombre line, Gelato, from Maywood Studios. The colors and texture of this line make it a joy to work with, and they are quality fabrics. The finished quilt is 76" x 88" but the pattern can be expanded to other sizes very easily. You will be well on your way to completion by the end of the class. This quilt makes a delightful gift - a real conversation starter.

3 Sessions

Just for Fun, Quiltmaking, Finishing Your Quilt, Stretch Your Creativity

Student Maximum: 16

**Student Supply List:**

Rotary Cutter with a new blade

6 1/2" x 24" ruler

12 1/2" square ruler is helpful, but not mandatory.

Your Glasses (if needed)

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

This kit will include 16 different fabrics plus the border and binding. Backing kit will be available for purchase (\$79.99).

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**Sikes G**

**Inspiring Serger Confidence**

C39, D55XY

Kathy McMakin

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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

4 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Fashion Sewing, Experience the Serger, Sewing Efficiencies

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Glass head pins
- Scissors
- Blue wash-away fabric marker
- Pen or pencil for taking notes.
- **Label all sewing tools with your name, phone number or email address.**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

- This is a technique class.
- Students will complete a variety of techniques in class.

**Kit Contents:**

- Fabrics needed for stitch samples.

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**Sikes H**

**Black Tie Embroidered Wristlet**

C38, D54, E70

Pam Damour

*In the Pfaff Embroidery Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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. What's more, our 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.

4 Sessions

Machine Embroidery

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

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**Sikes I**

**Mylar Embroidery Buzz Mini Quilt**

C44, D60XY

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Brother Embroidery Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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.

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Accessories, Machine Embroidery, Just for Fun, Home Decor, Gift Items, Embellishment

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Embroidery snips
- Quilt clips
- White chalk marker
- Tweezers
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- 6 x 24-inch rotary ruler
- Any sewing supplies you cannot sew without.
- **Note:** *Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom*
- **To ensure your left behind items can be returned to you, label them with your last name and email or phone number.**

**Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete 75 percent of the project

**Kit Contents:**

- All fabric and batting
- Embroidery design
- Mylar

**Sikes K****Foot Feats III: 3 Needles, 5 Feet**

C42, D58, E74

Jill McCloy

*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

Small in size, 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.

4 Sessions

Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Experience the Serger

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Scissors

Pins

Glue Stick

Rotary Cutter

Fabric marker

Eighth plus ruler, optional, but helpful.

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome!

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

Pattern, couching fibers, fibers for gimp technique, fibers for twisted cord bag fabric, lining fabric

**Hyatt Place Room****Sew Smart: Enhance Your Craft with Proper Sewing Machine Feet**

D53XY

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.

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Accessories, Sewing Efficiencies

Student Maximum: 50

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

## Lake Hollingsworth B

### It Fits You to a Tee

D50

Pattie Otto

Knit pullovers and dresses are the staple of many wardrobes and come in a wide variety of styles. Whether you relax in your favorite cotton tee, pull on a fitted knit tunic over leggings or slip into your best knit dress for a dinner date, there are a few fitting techniques that will help customize the fit of your favorite style. Consider how hem length flatters your figure, whether narrow shoulders need some attention, where hip curves fall and how to add a bust dart without adding a *traditional* dart. You will have your knits fitting and flattering in no time!

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Experienced Sewers, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 56

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## Lake Morton E

### It Has Pockets NOW!

E73, D57XY

Jim Suzio

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

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

3 Sessions

Student Maximum: 20

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## Lake Parker C

### Hoop It Up!

D51

Tamara Evans

Let's face it - hooping is not at the top of anyone's list of why they embroider. However, proper hooping is vital to

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

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Machine Embroidery, Embellishment, Finishing Your Quilt, Surface Design  
Student Maximum: 24

### Student Supply List:

- Standard embroidery hoop size 5x7-inch or 6x10-inch - *No magnetic hoops.*
- Any basic sewing notion you cannot sew without.
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- Rotary ruler
- **Note:** *Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom.*
- **Label all sewing tools with your name**

### Student Experience Level:

- All are welcome

### Kit Contents:

- All stabilizers and supplies including
- Multiple stitch-able samples
- Pashmina
- Zipper bag
- T-shirt.

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## Lake Parker D

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

D52

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.

1 Sessions  
Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 48

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advanced prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No Prerequisite

**Student Experience Level:**

All skill levels welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Not applicable

**Kit Contents:**

No Kit

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**Lake Hollingsworth A**

**Specialty Notions used by Professional Studios**  
E65  
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!

1 Sessions  
Rookies and Refreshers, Just for Fun, Sewing Efficiencies, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 24

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**Lake Hollingsworth B**

**Thread-ucation**

E66  
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!

1 Sessions  
Fiber and Needle Arts, Accessories, Just for Fun, Crafting, Quilting, Embellishment, Creative Connection, Surface Design, Stretch Your Creativity  
Student Maximum: 56

**Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

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**Lake Parker C**

**Stabilizer Savvy**

E67  
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.

1 Sessions  
Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 24

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### Lake Parker D

**Floriani Symposium**  
E68  
Floriani Educator

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

*This class will be taught by Ashley Dell*

1 Sessions  
Rookies and Refreshers, Machine Embroidery  
Student Maximum: 48

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### Exhibit Hall Room 1

**Quilt Your Way to Residual Income: The Benefits of Longarm Ownership**  
F94X  
Lauren Jackson  
*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

Discover how owning a longarm quilting machine can transform your creativity into a steady stream of income, perfect for those looking to supplement retirement or start a rewarding side hustle. This 90 minute lecture will explore the financial potential of longarm quilting,

emphasizing how computerization can amplify productivity, simplify intricate designs, and make professional results achievable for all skill levels. Whether you're quilting for fun, business, or both, learn how to turn your passion into profit with the right tools and strategies!

2 Sessions  
For Profit, Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 18

#### **Student Supply List:**

Bring Things to take notes, feel free to bring extra notepads and pens.

#### **Student Advanced Prep:**

Come with an open mind!

#### **Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

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### Exhibit Hall Room 2

**Unzip the Mystery: Creative Serging**  
F93X, G109  
Linda McGehee  
*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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!



3 Sessions  
Experience the Serger  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Seam Ripper

Fabric Shears

Paper Shears

Small Scissors

Pins and/or Clips

Marking Pencil

Anything You Cannot Sew Without

**Student Experience Level:**

Intermediate

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project.

**Kit Contents:**

Fabric

Fusible foam

Decorative threads for coverstitch and serger

Zipper

Decorative pull

Instructions

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**Sikes G**

**Four Techniques for Serging Knits**

F87X, G103

Pattie Otto

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by  
Fabric Warehouse*

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!

3 Sessions

Fashion Sewing, Garment Style and Design, Fashion Fit and Construction, Experience the Serger  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Rotary cutter with new blade, and rotary ruler.
- Scissors and tweezers.
- Pins or Wonder clips not jumbo.
- Seam ripper, marking tools and tape measure.
- 4 to 8 safety pins size 1.5-inch.
- Fabric glue pen (optional).
- 4 different color serger threads in bright colors.
- Any sewing notion you cannot sew without.
- **Note: Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom**
- **Label all sewing tools with your name and email or phone number**

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

- Basic serging skills helpful

**Student Experience Level:**

- Confident beginner and above

**Student Completion Level:**

- 3 to 4 samples of various techniques

**Kit Contents:**

- Knits for the Absolutely Terrified Booklet
- Pre-cut fabric for seaming, neckline, waist and hem samples
- Elastic

Will contain all the materials needed to complete the project as well as the finished notebook to fit inside the cover.

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## Sikes I

### Cork Notebook Cover

F92XX

Stephanie Folsom

*In the Brother Embroidery Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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. Must have an 8" x 12" hoop to make this project. Any standard 5" x7" notebook will fit inside your finished notebook cover.

2 Sessions

Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing, Embellishment, Applique, Surface Design

Student Maximum: 20

#### Student Supply List:

Prewound bobbins, empty bobbin to wind, various colors of embroidery threads, polymesh no show stabilizer.

#### Student Advanced Prep:

No advance prep

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

Knowledge of in the hoop embroidery

#### Student Experience Level:

Intermediate

#### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 100% of the project

#### Kit Contents:

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## Exhibit Hall Room 1

### Feather Play: Creative Variations and Combinations

H126X, J142

Lauren Jackson

*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

Ready to elevate your quilting artistry? Whether you're new to feathers or a seasoned pro looking for fresh ideas, this class is your gateway to mastering fancier feathers. Discover unique feather variations and combinations tailored for masculine and feminine quilt designs, while learning efficient quilting paths to minimize thread overlap. Get hands-on practice with printable guides and hands on Longarm stitching time. This session is packed with creative insights to inspire your quilting journey. Don't miss out, secure your spot today!

4 Sessions

Longarm Quilting

Student Maximum: 18

#### Student Supply List:

Bring Things to take notes, handouts will be provided feel free to bring extra notepads and pens.

#### Student Advanced Prep:

Come with an open mind!

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

#### Student Experience Level:

Beginner

#### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Handouts/Worksheets & materials for marking and sewing on the longarm machines

**Exhibit Hall Room 2**

**Serger Frenzy Techniques**

H125X, J141

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

Come explore all the things you can do with your serger besides just finishing the edges of fabric. This is mainly a notebook class but you will use some of the techniques created for 2 projects, a zippered bag and a mug rug. Learn how to perfect the flatlock stitch, hemming techniques, using decorative threads in different stitch techniques, braiding decorative strips, attaching lace and trims, wave stitch, ruffles, serger lace, piping, zippers, embellishment and finishing techniques, and more. Sergers can do so much more than just finish the edges of fabric. Join me and let's have fun working with different threads, feet, and applying serger techniques to new projects.

3 Sessions

Experience the Serger

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Scissors

Quilt Clips

Large eyed needle/bodkin

Marking pen/pencil

Tweezers

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome!

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

all fabrics and supplies needed for notebook samples and the 2 projects

**Hyatt Place Room**

**Introduction to Digitizing with Floriani Software**

H117X

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*

1 Sessions

Machine Embroidery

Student Maximum: 50

**Lake Hollingsworth A**

**Create Your Own Pattern for Custom-fit Pants**

H113X, J129

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.

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Garment Style and Design, Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 24

**Student Experience Level:**

All skill levels are welcome.

**Student Completion Level:**

Students will complete a custom fit muslin pants pattern.

**Kit Contents:**

Four yards of muslin and pattern drafting materials.

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## Lake Morton E

**Mastering Half Square Triangles (BYOF)**

H121X, J137

Angie Lamoree

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

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

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

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Quiltmaking, Piecing Techniques, Sewing Efficiencies, Sewing Fundamentals

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

**Fabric Requirements:**

- 10 sets of 2 10" squares of high contrast quilting cotton

**Notions:**

- Seam Ripper
- Snips
- Fabric Scissors
- Frixion pen
- Rotary Cutter with a New Blade
- Quilting Ruler
- 6.5 or Larger Bloc Loc Half Square Triangle Trimmer
- Anything You Cannot Sew Without

These items will be available for purchase in the 5 Little Money's Quilt & Sew booth.

**Note: Cutting mats will be provided in classrooms for student use.**

**To ensure items can be returned, please label all supplies with your name and email.**

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Match squares with high contrast combinations

**Student Experience Level:**

Advanced Beginner

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## Sikes F

**Blue Jay Mini - Foundation Paper Piecing**

H120X, J136

Deb Atchison

*In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Flash Sew & Quilt*

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!

3 Sessions  
Piecing Techniques, Garment Style and Design  
Student Maximum: 16

#### **Student Supply List:**

Fabric & Paper Scissors

Pins Clips

Double-Sided Tape

Rotary cutter with new blade

Small Ruler to use with rotary cutter

Seam ripper

Matte Scotch Tape

Tweezers

Anything you can not sew without

#### **Student Advanced Prep:**

No advanced prep

#### **Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

#### **Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

#### **Kit Contents:**

The kit contains everything you need to make this of this 4-block quilt top:

40 shades of Kona fabric

color maps

assembly guide

cut guides

the pattern printed on foundation paper instructions

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### **Sikes G**

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

H119X, J135

Kathy McMakin

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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

*Please note: Those in Fredericksburg will have their choice of black or navy fabric.*

4 Sessions

Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing, Experience the Serger  
Student Maximum: 20

#### **Student Supply List:**

- Tape measure
- Pins or clips
- Scissors
- Chalk marker
- Most-loved leggings (optional)
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- Rotary ruler
- Any sewing supplies you cannot sew without.
- **Note:** *Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom*
- **Label all sewing tools with your name and email or phone number**

#### **Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete project

**Kit Contents:**

- Medium-weight Ponte knit
- Waistband elastic
- Small piece of ribbon to mark back of leggings

**Sikes H****Twisted Knot: A Woven Rope Bowl Creation**

H118X, J134

Tamara Evans

*In the Pfaff Embroidery Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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!

4 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Fiber and Needle Arts, Machine Embroidery, Just for Fun, Gift Items, Embellishment, Surface Design, Stretch Your Creativity  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Sharp trimming scissors.
- Stylus *optional*.
- Rotary cutter with new blade.
- 6x24-inch rotary ruler.
- Any sewing notion you cannot sew without.
- **Note:** Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom
- **Label all sewing tools with your name**

**Student Experience Level:**

All are welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Will complete 3 projects - 2 coasters and a small dish

**Kit Contents:**

- 3 types of cording
- Fabric for dish
- Ribbon
- 1 spool of thread
- Stabilizer
- Glue stick

**Sikes J****Exquisite Paper Piecing with Sulky**

H123X, J139

Eric Drexler

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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.

3 Sessions

Piecing Techniques

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Fabric

Thread

Needle

Patterns

Directions

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**Sikes K**

**Sweet Tea Towel Gift Set**

H122X, J138

Libby Ashcraft

*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by  
Fabric Warehouse*

Sweet Tea Towel Gift Set

3 Sessions

Accessories, Just for Fun, Crafting, Gift Items, Stretch  
Your Creativity, Sewing Fundamentals

Student Maximum: 20

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**Lake Hollingsworth B**

**Corded Piping for Fine Finishing Detail**

H114

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.

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Streamlined Sewing,  
Embellishment, Stretch Your Creativity

Student Maximum: 56

**Student Experience Level:**

Advanced Beginner

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**Lake Parker C**

**Serging Explained and Simplified**

H115

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.

1 Sessions

Student Maximum: 24

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**Lake Parker D**

**Quick Points to the Rescue!**

H116

Susan Miller

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

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Home Decor, Gift Items, For Profit, Embellishment, Stretch Your Creativity  
Student Maximum: 48

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## Sikes I

### In-the-Hoop Vinyl Zipper Pouch Set

H124, J140

GlitterBugFairy

*In the Brother Embroidery Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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.

3 Sessions

Machine Embroidery  
Student Maximum: 20

#### Student Supply List:

No supply list

#### Student Advanced Prep:

No advance prep

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

#### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome

#### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 100% of the project

#### Kit Contents:

(Each 10x53" vinyl panel features vinyl to make 6x9 and 9x6 pouches, 5x7 and 7x5 pouches, a 4x4 penny pouch, key chain, bag tag, and lip balm holder.)

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## Hyatt Place Room

### Hallmarks of Beautiful Machine Embroidery

J133

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.

1 Sessions

Machine Embroidery  
Student Maximum: 50

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## Lake Hollingsworth B

### Continuous Line Custom Quilting

J130X

Kris Vierra

Love the look of custom quilting but concerned about the time or skills involved? Don't like to start and stop, but still want that personalized quilting design for your quilt? Yes, you can do custom quilting quickly and affordably. Kris will cover how to get from one side of your quilt to the other with minimal stops and starts, little or no marking, all while totally customizing your quilt. **Note:** *Two students will share a machine, so sign-up with a friend or make a new one in class when you join the fun! You'll be surprised at how much you'll learn between turns at the machine.*

1 Sessions

Quiltmaking, Finishing Your Quilt, Stretch Your Creativity, Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 56

#### Student Supply List:



Scissors, fabric marking pen (dark), pen, paper for drawing.

**Student Experience Level:**

Confident beginner and up.

**Kit Contents:**

Backing, batting, custom printed practice quilt top.

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**Lake Parker C**

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

J131

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.

1 Sessions

Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 24

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No Advanced Prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No Prerequisite

**Student Experience Level:**

All skill levels welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Not Applicable

**Kit Contents:**

No Kit

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**Lake Parker D**

**Quilting Is a Process to be Enjoyed**

J132

Jerry Stube

In this class lecture, we will discuss ways to always enjoy the entire process of quilting. What brings the most joy and how to create joy from the parts you do not enjoy as much.

I will show quilts dating from 1886 to the present day. The history behind them and discuss the processes used and the fabrics. We will discuss the history of the quilts shown, dates of fabric, etc.

1 Sessions

Just for Fun, Crafting, Creative Connection

Student Maximum: 48

**Student Supply List:**

Note paper and pencil/pen.

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

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**Lake Hollingsworth B**

**A Million Little Tips for Garment Sewing**

K146X

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!

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Streamlined Sewing, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Sewing Efficiencies, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 56

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### Lake Parker C

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

K147X

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.

1 Sessions

Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 24

#### **Student Supply List:**

No supply list

#### **Student Advanced Prep:**

No Advanced Prep

#### **Student Course Prerequisite:**

No Prerequisite

#### **Student Experience Level:**

All skill levels welcome

#### **Student Completion Level:**

Not applicable

#### **Kit Contents:**

No kit

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### Lake Parker D

#### **The Biology of Color: Beyond the Color Wheel**

K148X, L164

June Colburn

Are you careful, confused, or intimidated when choosing colors for a project? Learn the rules, secrets, and tips to help you relate color to your life, wardrobe, quilt projects and home decor. Using 50+ fabric swatches to fill a 7-page workbook, create a reference guide that will help you for years to come. Bring your questions so you can finally understand how to use and control color to make it work for you. See fabrics, garments and quilts that illustrate key principles. End the mystery and start the mastery--with a few chuckles along the way!

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Art to Wear, Fiber and Needle Arts, Just for Fun, Home Decor, Quiltmaking, Creative Connection, Garment Style and Design, Surface Design, Stretch Your Creativity  
Student Maximum: 48

#### **Student Supply List:**

- Small fabric scissors
- Glue stick or double-sided tape
- Pen or pencil
- Small trash bag.

#### **Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome.

#### **Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete the project

**Kit Contents:**

- 50 3x5-inch fabric swatches,
- 8 workbook pages
- Pocket file folder.

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**Sikes K****What Needle Do I Use? Piecing and Quilting**

K154X

Rhonda Pierce

*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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. Gain respect for the needle and elevate confidence in your needle selection. This is a fun, hands-on educational class. Sew SCHMETZ!

2 Sessions

Quiltmaking

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

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**Exhibit Hall Room 1****Modern Quilting: Negative Spaces**

K158, L174XY

Kris Vierra

*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

Unsure what to quilt on all those lovely negative spaces on modern quilts? In this class, Kris will walk you through the basics of how to pick the best designs for your quilts. She will cover dividing up the negative spaces into workable sections and how to quilt multiple designs suitable for modern quilts. Everything you need to know to make quilting your modern quilt a breeze. This class is suitable for both longarm and domestic quilters.

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Just for Fun, Gift Items, Experienced Sewers, Quiltmaking, Appliqu??, Finishing Your Quilt

Student Maximum: 18

**Student Supply List:**

Paper and pencil.

**Student Experience Level:**

All are welcome

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**Exhibit Hall Room 2****Serging Simplified: Let's Make an Elegant Wrap (BYOF)**

K157, L173XY

Jim Suzio

*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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 has will cover basic serging techniques as he guides you through making an elegant wool wrap.

3 Sessions

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Fabric requirements: 2 1/2 yards of lightweight wool or woven fabric, with a soft drape and no obvious difference between the right and wrong side.

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**Hyatt Place Room**

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

K149

Jill McCloy

Accurate measurements and how to take them, a realistic assessment of your figure and determination of your personal style are a must. Especially with fitting being the number one frustration in garment sewing. This frustration can be alleviated by choosing the correct pattern in the correct size, which reflects back 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 skill level. Fitting ease and design ease are both instrumental in choosing fabrics. Pay attention to the pattern envelope. All these issues will be discussed in detail. Questions are welcome.

1 Sessions

Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 50

### **Student Supply List:**

No supply list

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## **Lake Hollingsworth A**

### **Fun, Fit, and Flatter**

K145, L161XY

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.

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 24

### **Student Supply List:**

- Tape measure
- Ruler
- Pins
- Any sewing tool you cannot sew without.

***To ensure items can be returned, please label all supplies with name and email.***

### **Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

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## **Lake Morton E**

### **Spiral Piecing Table Runner**

K153, L169XY

Linda McGehee

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

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 very basic and looks more involved than it really is. Stitch the strips into a tube to form the angle. Quilt the layers and finish with binding round 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.

3 Sessions

Home Decor, Quiltmaking, Finishing Your Quilt

Student Maximum: 20

### **Student Supply List:**

Basic sewing supplies (scissors, pins, marking tools)

### **Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

### **Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

### **Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Cut strips of fabric, backing, binding, batting, quilting thread, and instructions.

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**Sikes F**

**Creative Bindings (BYOF)**

K152, L168XY

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Flash Sew & Quilt*

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 or 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.***

4 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Quiltmaking, Piecing

Techniques, Finishing Your Quilt

Student Maximum: 16

**Student Supply List:**

- Scissors
- Pins or clips
- Blue marking pen
- Seam ripper
- Hand sewing needle
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- 6 x 12-inch rotary ruler
- Any sewing tool you cannot sew without
- **NOTE:** *Cutting mats will be available in the class room*
- **Label all sewing tools with your last name and/or email address**

**Fabric requirements:**

- 12 x 12-inch quilt sandwich preprinted top piece and a tone on tone for backing
- Cotton batting

**Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete the project

**Kit Contents:**

- Fabric
- Batting
- Supplies for binding techniques

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**Sikes G**

**Heirloom Sewing Techniques on a Serger**

K151, L167XY

Kathy McMakin

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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

3 Sessions

Fashion Sewing, Embellishment, Experience the Serger, Sewing Efficiencies

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Paper scissors
- Dressmaker shears
- Small scissors or snips
- Straight pins
- Tape measure and seam gauge

- Pencil and favorite making tool
- Seam ripper
- Glass-head pins
- Blue wash-out marker
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- Rotary ruler
- **Note:** *Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom.*
- **Label all sewing tools with your name.**

**Student Experience Level:**

- All levels

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete the project

**Kit Contents:**

- Embroidered insertions
- Lace insertion
- Edging lace
- Bridging and batiste

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**Sikes H**

**EmbroiderLee Starter Sampler**

K150, L166XY

Carrie Philpott

*In the Pfaff Embroidery Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

Sew Steady's fabulous EmbroiderLee in-the-hoop quilting technique is a favorite method for people who want to finish quilts fast and easy. In this class, you will create a stunning quilt top entirely using programmed embroidery designs.

You will be amazed at how fast and precisely you will finish your quilts on your Embroidery machine without having to send them out to a longarmer. Instant Gratification! Whether you are a seasoned machine embroiderer or a newbie, Carrie will guide you through this must-know technique.

3 Sessions

Machine Embroidery

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Basi Quilting Supplies:

Scissors

Seam Ripper

Pins

Safety Pins

Marking Pens

6 x 24 " Ruler

Rotary Cutter

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

100% Quilt Cotton printed panel

Warm and Natural Batting

100% Solid Color Quilt Backing

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**Sikes I**

**Power Piecing In-the-Hoop**

K156, L172XY

Tamara Evans

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!

3 Sessions  
Machine Embroidery  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Snips

Ruler (min. 8")

Rotary cutter

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Fabrics Stabilizers

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**Sikes J**

**"Everything But The Sewing Machine" Tote**

K155, L171, M187, N203X

Sara Robitaille

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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

**Note: There will be a class break from 5pm to 6pm.**

6 Sessions

Accessories, Just for Fun, Gift Items, For Profit, Stretch Your Creativity

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Scissors
- Pins or clips
- Making tool
- Seam ripper
- Any sewing supplies you cannot sew without.
- **Label all sewing tools with your name**

**Student Advanced Prep:**

- **Note: There will be a class break from 4pm to 6pm.**

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

- Familiar with basic operation of a sewing machine.

**Student Experience Level:**

- Advanced beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete project.

**Kit Contents:**

- Precut and Interfaced fabric
- #5 zipper tape
- Zipper pulls
- Mesh fabric for pockets
- All Purpose Zippers
- Fold over Elastic
- Triangle Rings
- Swivel Clips
- Tri-glide
- Webbing
- 5 drawer Sterlite case
- Code for download of pdf pattern after class
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**Hyatt Place Room**

**The No-Pattern Jacket Wardrobe**

L165  
Jill McCloy

Yes, you can design your own 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, or tapered sleeves, add vents or cuffs, decorative panels, a variety of collar styles. Leave off the sleeves and create a vest. Face the fronts for a fold back collar. Make a vee or rounded neckline, add a tie or button closure. Simply play your way to a great jacket wardrobe. Questions are welcome. Includes Trunk show to inspire. Work sheet.

1 Sessions  
Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing, Embellishment, Creative Connection, Fashion Fit and Construction, Stretch Your Creativity, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 50

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome!

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**Lake Hollingsworth B**

**Sewing Elastic Waistbands Like a Pro**

L162  
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.

1 Sessions  
Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 56  
**Kit Contents:**

WAISTing Away in Margueritaville Booklet

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**Lake Parker C**

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

L163  
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

1 Sessions  
Garment Style and Design, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 24

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome!

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**Sikes K**

**What Needle Do I Use? Knits and Specialty Fabrics**  
L170XY  
Rhonda Pierce  
*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by  
Fabric Warehouse*

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. Gain respect for the needle and elevate confidence in your needle selection. This is a fun, hands-on educational class. Sew SCHMETZ!

2 Sessions  
Fashion Sewing, Sewing Efficiencies, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

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**Hyatt Place Room**

**The No-Pattern Skirt: Be Your own Designer**  
M181  
Jill McCloy

First a mini fashion show for inspiration. Next a basic straight skirt with a simple vent and elastic waistband 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 over lays, wraps and faux wraps, tailored front/elastic back waist band, yoked waist bands, inseam or patch pockets, shaped hems, raw edge seams, exposed serged seams. Well the list does go on. Come with questions, we'll work out the answers. Instructional handout included.

1 Sessions  
Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction  
Student Maximum: 50

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome!

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**Lake Hollingsworth B**

**The Secret to Making Great Bags**

M178

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.

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Fiber and Needle Arts, Accessories, Just for Fun, Surface Design  
Student Maximum: 56

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**Lake Parker C**

**How to Work with Your Sewing Machine Not Against It**

M179

Kris Vierra

Sewing machines are incredibly simple to use. Place the fabric under the presser foot, push down on the pedal, and you are off. No problem, until something goes wrong. Whether you are brand new to sewing or have been at it for a while, this class will help improve your skills by helping you understand your machine. We will cover common tension problems, why thread type and needle size matter, and how to avoid thread breakage, skipped stitches and more.

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Sewing Efficiencies, Sewing Fundamentals

Student Maximum: 24

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**Lake Parker D**

**Embroidery SOS**

M180

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.

1 Sessions

Machine Embroidery  
Student Maximum: 48

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**Lake Hollingsworth B**

**Great Fitting Pants with Great Copy Patterns**

N194X, P210

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"

3 Sessions

Fashion Sewing, Garment Style and Design, Fashion Fit and Construction, Sewing Fundamentals

Student Maximum: 56

**Student Supply List:**

French/Fashion Curve Ruler

Paper Scissors

Scotch Tape

Highlighters

Colored Pencils or medium tip markers

Optional: wear tights or close fit shorts for try-on sessions.

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Optional: wear tights or close fit shorts for try-on sessions.

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Intermediate

**Kit Contents:**

Great Copy #2620 Maui Pants, #2820 Long Island Pants and 5 yards of Pattie's Favorite Elastic, swatch kit.

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**Lake Parker C**

**Fabric Art with Tsukineko Inks**

N195X, P211

Kris Vierra

Learn how to enhance your fabric and make it uniquely yours with the use of Tsukineko inks. In this class you will learn how to marble fabric, create new designs using stencils, paint directly on your fabric and use different forms of resists to achieve unique one of a kind fabrics. You don't need to be an artist to spice up your fabrics

with these acid free, water based inks. (ink is permanent)

Material fee includes: 6 different bottles of ink, color mixing chart, palette, eye droppers, tone on tone fabric, and a canvas tote for painting.

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Just for Fun, Crafting

Student Maximum: 24

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Kit Contents:**

6 different bottles of ink, color mixing chart, palette, eye droppers, tone on tone fabric, and a canvas tote for painting.

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**Sikes F**

**Dorothy grab-and-go Wristlet**

N200X, P216

Sallie Tomato

*BERNINA Sewing Flash Sewing & Quilt*

Ready to make your first Sallie Tomato bag? This easy-to-sew wristlet with a decorative tassel is perfectly sized to fit all the essentials. Whether you're a beginner or want to try sewing with new materials, this class will cover every essential technique for working with cork, faux leather, and fabric.

Class kits include the paper pattern, plus all the supplies you need from fabric to hardware. The name and design of this bag was inspired by the multi-talented, Dorothy Dandridge, and Dorothy from Wizard of Oz, who both could have used a darling wristlet during their adventures.

3 Sessions  
Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing  
Student Maximum: 16

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Class kits include the paper pattern, plus all the supplies needed from fabric to hardware.

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**Sikes K**

**Quilted Tablet Cover**

N202X, P218  
Pam Damour  
*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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

3 Sessions  
Home Decor  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

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**Exhibit Hall Room 1**

**Divide & Conquer: Mastering Borders and Blocks**

Q238X, R254X  
Lauren Jackson  
*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

Learn to make designs fit evenly in borders and sashing. Learn which motifs work best for your quilt blocks. This class will teach you game-changing techniques to divide and conquer any quilt top. Whether you're a seasoned quilter or new to free-motion quilting, you will leave with renewed confidence and skills in your quilting toolbox.

Bring your questions and creativity; we'll discuss design ideas for your finished top. Leave inspired and ready to expand your quilting repertoire. Transform your quilting skills with Lauren Jackson's easy to understand method.

4 Sessions  
Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 18

**Student Supply List:**

Bring Things to take notes, handouts will be provided  
feel free to bring extra notepads and pens.

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Come with an open mind!

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

Scissors

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Intermediate

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

fabric for all bags, vinyl, 7 zippers

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**Exhibit Hall Room 2**

**Serger Bags 102: Let's Do Zippers Again!**

Q237X, R253

LuAnn Hartley

*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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 the traditional cotton fabrics. One bag is a Vinyl Pouch. One bag has 2 lined zippered pockets and constructed with cotton fabrics. The last bag will be constructed with faux leather/vinyl and cotton fabrics and has 3 zippered pockets in the front and one in the back. All are completely lined. Join us for this fun and informative class and take your serger bag skills to the next level.

4 Sessions

Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Sewing Fundamentals

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Rotary Cutter

6" x 24" ruler or 6" x 12" ruler

Quilt Clips

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**Lake Hollingsworth A**

**Your Custom Sleeve Pattern: Balancing the Armhole**

Q225X, R241

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.

3 Sessions

Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 24

**Student Experience Level:**

- Beginner/Intermediate

**Student Completion Level:**

- Complete custom drafted sleeve.

**Kit Contents:**

- French Curve
- 2 x 18-inch clear ruler
- Dotted marking paper
- Sleeve construction handout

**Lake Hollingsworth B**

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

Q226X, R242

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.

3 Sessions

Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 56

**Student Supply List:**

Approximately 9x10" piece of cardboard or foam board, scissors, straight pins, small ruler, clear tape, pen or pencil

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No Advanced Prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No Prerequisite

**Student Experience Level:**

All skill levels welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

Binder with reference materials, appropriate half-scale patterns, colored papers for alteration paper, and page protectors for completed practice alterations.

**Lake Morton E**

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

Q233X

Jim Suzio

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

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.

1 Sessions

Student Maximum: 20

**Sikes F**

**Fabulous Finishes for Garment Sewing**

Q232X, R248

Kris Vierra

*In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Flash Sew & Quilt*

Did you know there are over a dozen different ways to finish a seam? In this class, Kris will walk you through a variety of seam finishes including, but not limited to: flat felled, French, serged, lapped, and taped.

We will also cover how to use a variety of machine feet to make the finishing process smooth and easy. You will leave class with a sample book of how to finish your seams like a pro.

3 Sessions  
Fashion Sewing, Sewing Efficiencies  
Student Maximum: 16

**Student Supply List:**

Scissors

Seam Ripper

Pins,

Fabric Marking Pen

40 wt. Polyester All-Purpose Sewing Thread (black, white, grey, ecru)

No stabilizer required

Universal Needle: 90/14

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

assorted fabric, plastic sleeves to make binder, binder rings

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**Sikes G**

**Quilting With A Serger? Of Course You Can!**

Q231X, R247

Carrie Philpott

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by  
Fabric Warehouse*

Have you ever wondered why as a quilter you might need or want a serger? This is the class that will answer all those questions as you create a lap size quilt top completely on a serger! Carrie has been a serger whiz for over 20 years and will de-mystify the what and why you need to have a serger in your quilting/sewing space. Never mind that you are brand new or have been frustrated by a serger in the past.

Let Carrie show you how simple it is to understand this powerful sewing machine and how quickly you can complete projects that normally would take much longer to complete.

3 Sessions  
Quiltmaking, Finishing Your Quilt, Experience the Serger  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Basic sewing supplies:

Scissors

Pins

Wash Away Marking Pens

Seam Ripper

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

2.5" strips of various quilt cotton

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**Sikes H**

**Embroidered Angel Ornament**

Q230X, R246

Jill McCloy

*In the Pfaff Embroidery Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

A pretty face, a bit of lace, some wavy hair, cross stitch, couching and a pretty bow to tie it all together. Many techniques add up to a charming result. The pretty face embroidered in the hoop, a pretty flower embroidered on the wings, lay lining and stitch the shaped wings in the hoop. Play a bit embellishing her halo and add a sweet picture edge by machine. Gather her lace collar and pull it all together with a bit of fabric glue. Stitch on a pin back or hanging loop, as desired, and you have a lovely angel to watch over you or a loved one.

3 Sessions

Machine Embroidery

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Scissors

Straight Pins

Removable Fabric Marker

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome!

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

includes pattern, fabric, hair, trims, cardboard, batting, embroidery designs, stabilizer, hand stitching needle, pin back. (choices of hair color and skin tone)

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**Summer Berries Food Tent Embroidery with Tulle**

Q236X, R252

Tamara Evans

*In the Brother Embroidery Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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.

3 Sessions

Machine Embroidery

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Scissors

Snips

Seam ripper

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No Prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Food Tent Blank



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## Sikes J

### **Pocket Powerhouse: The Smartphone Wallet Revolution**

Q235X, R251

Linda McGehee

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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

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

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

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

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

3 Sessions

Accessories, Streamlined Sewing

Student Maximum: 20

#### **Student Supply List:**

Small Scissors

Pins or Clips

Marking Pencil

Rotary Cutter with a New Blade

18" Ruler

Anything You Can't Sew Without

**Note: Cutting mats will be provided in class.**

**To ensure your left behind items can be returned to you, please label them with your last name and email or phone number.**

#### **Student Experience Level:**

Advanced Beginner

#### **Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

#### **Kit Contents:**

Fabric

Foam

RFID

Binding

Two Zippers

Decorative Thread for the Needle & Foot

Webbing

Swivel Hook

Decorative Thread Instructions

Pattern

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## Sikes K

### **Easy Piecing Patchwork**

Q234X, R250

Marsha Kirsch

*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

Discover a quilting revolution – a truly amazing technique that is every scrap buster's dream! Say goodbye to strip piecing and hello to perfect corners every time. Join us on a quilting adventure as we create your first of many masterpieces using *EasyPiecing Grid Panels* by Carmen Geddes of *TenSisters Handicraft*.

Experience the magic of printed fusible grids that make traditional piecing a thing of the past. Craft your own special keepsake wall hanging in a fraction of the time it takes with conventional methods. Dive into the ease of

creating perfect 2-inch square-based projects with corners effortlessly matched every time – no pinning required!

Explore this innovative quilting technique starting with 2-inch squares, making this an ideal way to use up some of that fabric in your stash. Witness the transformation as you complete the top of this fun wall quilt in class. Get ready for quilting made easy, where the only limit is your imagination!

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Streamlined Sewing, Quiltmaking, Piecing Techniques  
Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Fabric scissors
- Thread snips
- Pins or clips
- Marking tool
- Glue stick
- Seam ripper
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- 6 x 24-inch rotary ruler
- Any sewing tool you cannot sew without
- **Note: Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom.**  
**Be sure to label all sewing tools with your name**

**Student Experience Level:**

- Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

- Most will complete 75 percent or more of the project

**Kit Contents:**

- Fabric
- Tensisters Fusible Grid

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**Hyatt Place Room**

**What Needle Do I Use?**

Q229

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!

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Experienced Sewers, Sewing Efficiencies, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 50

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**Lake Parker C**

**Embrilliance Software Essentials-Laptop Required**

Q227, R243

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!**

3 Sessions

Technology

Student Maximum: 24

**Student Supply List:**

Laptop required.

Computer with Embrilliance Essentials Loaded.

Power Cord

Mouse

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Computer with Embrilliance Essentials loaded.

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisite

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

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### Lake Parker D

#### Portrait Quilting

Q228

Deb Atchison

Do you have a favorite photo that you'd love to turn into a treasured quilt? If so, join Deb, Certified Teacher to learn how to do this. She will share examples and walk you through the process in this lecture designed to get you started on your own Portrait Quilt Journey.

1 Sessions

Crafting, Quiltmaking

Student Maximum: 48

#### Student Supply List:

No supply list

#### Student Advanced Prep:

No advance prep

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

#### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome!

#### Notions:

Lecture-style seating

Projector & Screen

HDMI connection

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### Hyatt Place Room

#### Sewing with Specialty Knits

R245X

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.

1 Sessions

Experienced Sewers, Fashion Sewing, Fashion Fit and Construction, Sewing Fundamentals

Student Maximum: 50

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### Lake Morton E

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

R249X

Angie Lamoree

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

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

1 Sessions

Longarm Quilting

Student Maximum: 20

#### Student Advanced Prep:

No advance prep

#### Student Course Prerequisite:

No prerequisites

#### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome

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### Lake Parker D

#### Batik: Textile Treasures of Bali

R244

June Colburn

Dive into the Rich Tapestry of Batiks: A Journey from Royal Robes to Contemporary Marvels. Uncover the fascinating history and cultural significance of hand-dyed, wax-resist batiks in Indonesian heritage. Delve into the intricate process of Princess Mirah's batik *factory*, where skilled dyers craft the mesmerizing designs and colors cherished today. Experience the art firsthand as we guide you through the steps to create a stunning three-color batik print. Our trunk show offers a captivating blend of traditional and contemporary batiks, showcased in clothing, wearable art, and quilts. Discover something extraordinary for every enthusiast!

1 Sessions  
Garment Style and Design  
Student Maximum: 48

**Notions:**

- Lecture-style seating.
- Flip chart with markers.

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**Lake Parker C**

**Embroidered Temari Chrysanthemum**

S259X, T275X  
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.

3 Sessions  
Crafting, Embellishment, Fashion Fit and Construction,  
Stretch Your Creativity, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 24

**Student Supply List:**

1 Cone Serger Thread in desired base color  
  
3 to 4 Skeins #5 Pearl Cotton for Embroidery  
  
Scrap Yarn- Red, Blue and White  
  
Glass Head Pins

**Student Advanced Prep:**

Skeins must be opened and wrapped around a card or spool.

Please don't waste class time for this.

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome!

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

pattern, materials for inner ball, needle, metallic threads, division papers, miscellaneous as needed

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**Exhibit Hall Room 1**

**Easy Background Fills for Longarm Quilting**

S270, T286X

Kris Vierra

*In the APQS Longarm Studio sponsored by Bold Notion Quilting*

This class will cover a variety of background fillers to use in your machine quilting. These will include, but are not limited to pebbles swirls, flames, flowers, feathers and McTavishing.

This class will be in a lecture format and is suitable for all intermediate/advanced domestic and long arm quilters. Numerous examples will be available to see designs as they look quilted.

3 Sessions  
Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 18

**Student Supply List:**

Paper and Pencil

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Experienced Sewers, Fashion Sewing, Garment Style and Design

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Seam Ripper
- Fabric Shears
- Marking Tool
- Anything You Cannot Sew Without

***To ensure supplies can be returned to you, please label with your name and email.***

**Student Advanced Prep:**

To ensure pre-cut kits are the correct size, please send in your bust, waist, and hip measurements to [info@sewingexpo.com](mailto:info@sewingexpo.com) no later than 9/16/2024.

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

Familiarity with machine

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project.

**Kit Contents:**

All fabric precut to size chosen

Code for download of pdf pattern after class

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### Exhibit Hall Room 2

**Annabeth Raglan Hoodie**

S269, T285X

Sara Robitaille

*In the Baby Lock Serger Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

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

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

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

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

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

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### Hyatt Place Room

**The Art of Negative Space: Quilting Beyond the Blocks**

S261

Lauren Jackson

Today's quilts often feature bold negative spaces, offering endless opportunities for creative quilting. But how do you enhance these areas with designs that add texture and interest without overwhelming the top? In this class, you'll learn how to dissect, design, and implement motifs that elevate your quilt's aesthetic. See real examples, spark new ideas, and gain the confidence to combine patterns like a pro. Transform empty spaces

into stunning features! Secure your spot today and take your quilting to the next level.

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Quiltmaking, Longarm Quilting  
Student Maximum: 50

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### Lake Hollingsworth A

#### **Sew Like a Pro**

S257

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.

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Experienced Sewers, Fashion Sewing, Garment Style and Design, Fashion Fit and Construction

Student Maximum: 24

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### Lake Hollingsworth B

#### **Give it a Zip!**

S258

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!

1 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Accessories, Creative Connection, Stretch Your Creativity  
Student Maximum: 56

#### **Student Supply List:**

All Skills Welcome

#### **Kit Contents:**

2 zippers, zipper instructions for various zipper techniques

#### **Notions:**

Lecture-style seating

Projector & Screen (with HDMI connection)

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### Lake Morton E

#### **Gazebo Table Topper - Hex N More**

S265, T281X

Eileen Ault

*In the Janome Sewing Studio sponsored by Citrus Sew & Vac*

In this hands-on quilting class, you'll dive into the world of half hexagons and triangles using the innovative Hex N More ruler. You'll learn how to easily cut and piece together these shapes to create a beautiful and modern table topper. The class will guide you through the process of cutting precise half hexagons and triangles, then sewing them together to form stunning patterns without the hassle of Y-seams!

Whether you're a beginner or an experienced quilter, this class will help you gain confidence in using specialized rulers, improve your cutting and piecing techniques, and you'll learn this fantastic project that's perfect for decorating your home - it's a conversation starter!

3 Sessions

Home Decor, Quiltmaking

Student Maximum: 20

#### **Student Supply List:**

Rotary Cutter

#### **Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

Advanced Beginner

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 75% or more

**Kit Contents:**

Hex N more ruler, pattern, and fabric for the table topper.

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**Lake Parker D**

**Boro Techniques Inspired by Japanese Textiles**

S260  
June Colburn

Unveiling the Beauty of Boro: A Journey through Japan's Textile Legacy. Immerse yourself in the poignant tale of the Boro tradition, where resilient communities faced extreme poverty yet cherished and meticulously preserved their textiles for generations. Boro, meaning rags, captures the essence of tattered clothing transformed through relentless mending and patching, ensuring prolonged usability. Explore authentic century-old examples of indigo-dyed cotton adorned with Boro patches, from kimono to futon covers. Witness the captivating fusion of history and craftsmanship in this showcase of textile anthropology at its finest.

1 Sessions  
Rookies and Refreshers, Fiber and Needle Arts, Accessories, Just for Fun, Crafting, Home Decor, Gift Items, Fashion Sewing, Piecing Techniques, Sewing Fundamentals  
Student Maximum: 48

**Student Experience Level:**

- All are welcome

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**Sikes F**

**Hazy Hills Central - Foundation Paper Piecing**

S264, T280X

Deb Atchison

*In the Bernina Sewing Studio sponsored by Flash Sew & Quilt*

Continue to elevate your Foundation Paper Piecing skills in the second quilt in a series of our class exclusive Hazy Hills series workshop! Dive into the revolutionary block approach by Legit Kits and gain invaluable tips and tricks for frustration-free sewing - no curves or Y seams required! Your focus will be on the class-exclusive Hazy Hills Central, the second of a three series mini quilt. By the end of the class, you will leave with the confidence to complete the quilt on your own. Foundation Paper Piecing can be both easy and enjoyable!

Hazy Hills Central, composed of 49 shades of Kona solids, packs a mountainous impression in a small package. This class not only guides you through kit organization but also leads you step by step through piecing your blocks and assembling them into a stunning 15 x 20-inch work of art. What is more, the piece you create can stand alone or be integrated into two additional Legit Kits (not included in class kit) to construct a 15 x 60 masterpiece.

3 Sessions  
Piecing Techniques  
Student Maximum: 16

**Student Supply List:**

Fabric & Paper Scissors

Pins Clips

Double-Sided Tape

Rotary cutter with new blade

Small Ruler to use with rotary cutter

Seam ripper

Matte Scotch Tape

Tweezers

Anything you can not sew without

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome!

### Kit Contents:

The kit contains everything you need to make this of this 4-block quilt top:

37 shades of Kona fabric

color maps

assembly guide

cut guides

the pattern printed on foundation paper instructions

magnet sticker

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## Sikes G

### Six Serger Techniques You Need To Know

S263, T279X

Pam Damour

*In the Husqvarna Viking Serger Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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.

4 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Art to Wear, Experience the

Serger

Student Maximum: 20

### Student Supply List:

- Scissors
- Pins or clips
- Marking tool
- Seam ripper
- Rotary cutter with new blade
- Rotary ruler
- 3-ring binder is optional
- Any sewing supplies you cannot sew without.
- **Note:** *Rotary cutting mats will be available in the classroom*
- **Label all sewing tools with your name**

### Student Experience Level:

- All are welcome

### Student Completion Level:

- Most will complete the project.

### Kit Contents:

- Fabric.
- Trims.
- Instructions in sheet protectors.

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## Sikes H

### The Holiday Amaryllis

S262, T278X

Jim Suzio

*In the Pfaff Embroidery Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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.

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Machine Embroidery, Stretch Your Creativity

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

- Basic Embroidery Supplies
- SHARP Fabric Trimming Scissors
- Thread Snips
- LARGE EYE Needle (like for yarn)
- Anything You Cannot Sew or Embroider Without

***To ensure supplies can be returned to you, please label everything with your name and email.***

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

Basic embroidery machine knowledge

**Student Completion Level:**

Most will complete 100% of the project

**Kit Contents:**

Fabrics

Detailed instructions

USB stick with design

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**Sikes I**

**Fancy That! Split Seam Embroidered Bow Sweatshirt**

S268, T284X

Tamara Evans

*In the Brother Embroidery Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

If you are curious about machine embroidery, you have to try this popular trend. Give a regular sweatshirt a bit of flair with an applique bow that creatively opens the side seams, fitting perfectly at your hips. Expert, Tamara Evans, will begin with the basics of machine embroidery. Learn about stabilizer, hooping, and techniques for placement and stitching. Class kits will include the

Applique Bow design file (in all formats) and instructions from OESD so you can make more fancy sweatshirts at home.

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

Sweatshirt in your favorite color

1 Fat Eighth (9x21") of coordinating fabric for applique bows

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**Sikes J**

**Tula Pink Ferris Fanny Pack**

S267, T283X

Sallie Tomato

*In the Juki Straight Stitch Studio sponsored by Tops Sewing and Vacuum*

Inspired by the main character in the 1986 movie Ferris Bueller's Day Off, Ferris is a fully lined fanny pack. Sallie Tomato educator, will build your stitching confidence as they guide you through sewing a zipper pocket, zipper top closer, and installing hardware for the adjustable strap.

Your class kit features spectacular Tula Pink fabric and coordinating hardware for a bag that's FUN to use for your next day off.

3 Sessions

Just for Fun, Fashion Sewing

Student Maximum: 20

**Student Supply List:**

No supply list

**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 100% of the project

### Kit Contents:

Ferris Paper Pattern

23" x 42" Main Fabric-Tula Pink Sweet Tooth

23" x 42" Lining - Tula Pink

23" x 45" Fusible Fleece

72" 1-1/2" Tula Webbing - Aqua & Hot Pink

24" #5 Zipper - Navy/Tula Pink

Ferris Hardware Kit - Tula Pink

(2) #5 Zipper Pull

(1 pkg) 1" D-Rings

(1 pkg) 1-1/2" Swivel Hooks

(1 pkg) 1-1/2" Slider Buckle

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### Sikes K

#### Little Big Mouth Pouch

S266, T282X

Marsha Kirsch

*In the Husqvarna Viking Sewing Studio sponsored by Fabric Warehouse*

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!

3 Sessions

Rookies and Refreshers, Just for Fun, Gift Items, Creative Connection  
Student Maximum: 20

### Student Supply List:

- Seam Ripper
- Scissors
- Clips
- Washable marker
- Pins
- Rotary Cutter with a New Blade
- 6x12-inch Rotary Ruler
- Point Turner
- Anything You Cannot Sew Without

**Note: Cutting mats will be provided in class**

**To ensure that items can be returned, please label everything with your name and email.**

### Student Experience Level:

All Skills Welcome

### Student Completion Level:

Most will complete 100% of the project.

### Kit Contents:

Fabric

Cut strips

Soft and stable cut to size

Velcro

Yarn

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### Lake Hollingsworth B

ScanNCut with Confidence

T277X  
Libby Ashcraft

1 Sessions  
Student Maximum: 48

ScanNCut allows you to turn scanned images into extraordinary one of a kind cut designs. Learn the differences between Direct Cut and Scan to Cut data, and how to fine tune your settings to get the best possible scans.

1 Sessions  
Technology, Crafting  
Student Maximum: 56  
**Student Advanced Prep:**

No advance prep

**Student Course Prerequisite:**

No prerequisites

**Student Experience Level:**

All Skills Welcome

**Addicted to BAGS!**

T274X  
Linda McGehee

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

1 Sessions  
Accessories, Just for Fun  
Student Maximum: 56

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**Lake Parker D**

**Simple Scallop Borders**

T276  
Susan Miller

Simple Scallop Borders