

Piece by Piece *Classes –Spring 2010*

Basics

Beginning Quiltmaking

Instructor: Cherie Swanson

Tuesdays 5/4, 5/11 and 5/18 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$50

Have you been thinking about learning to make quilts? This class is the perfect starting point. Over the course of three class meetings you will learn to rotary cut, accurately machine piece a simple design, add borders, layer the batting and fabric, bind the quilt and consider options for quilting. It doesn't matter what type of quilts you prefer – from traditional to contemporary designs – the basics are the same. This class will give you the skills to go on and take your quiltmaking in any direction you choose.

Beginning Machine Quilting

Instructor: Kelly Duke

Sundays 4/11 and 4/18 12:00-3:00

Fee: \$40

So you have a quilt top or two finished – now what do you do? Learn to quilt them yourself using your own home machine. This two part course will cover the basics from basting and marking your quilt to straight line and free-motion quilting. Don't be scared - with a little practice you'll enjoy the satisfaction of turning your quilt tops into finished treasures.

Machine Trapunto

Instructor: Kelly Duke

Tuesday 6/8 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$20

This class will teach the basics of trapunto using your regular home sewing machine. If you can free-motion quilt, you can make gorgeous trapunto effects on any project, from a large quilt to a small wall hanging. You should be comfortable with free-motion quilting before taking this class. We will do a simple wall hanging or pillow top in class.

Beginning Hand Appliqué

Instructor: Sheila Steers

Monday 4/12 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$20

Hand appliqué is relaxing and rewarding. Appliqué projects can be elegantly simple or complex with detail. In this class you learn the needle turn method of appliqué and practice on small designs while in class. You'll leave ready to start on a project of your own and discover the satisfaction of appliqué.

Reverse Hand Appliqué

Instructor: Sheila Steers

Monday 5/10 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$20

Are you ready to approach your hand appliqué from a different direction? Reverse appliqué involves layering fabrics and then cutting away at the top layer to reveal the ones underneath. It gives your projects an interesting twist with a bit of a recessed dimension. Beginning hand appliqué class or experience with hand appliqué is required for this class.

Hawaiian Appliqué

Instructor: Sheila Steers

Friday 6/4 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$20

Need a taste of the tropics? A Hawaiian appliqué quilt may be just the ticket. The traditional Hawaiian quilt patterns have a simplistic beauty that is fresh and appealing. In this class you will learn the ins and outs of appliquéing these symmetrical beauties.

Hand Piecing

Instructor: Cherie Swanson

Tuesday 4/13 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$20

Yes – people do still enjoy hand piecing! In fact, learning how to hand piece gives you a solid foundation in construction theory and is perfect for patterns with set in seam seams. Most people find it very relaxing and enjoy the portability of hand pieced projects – you can work on them anywhere. Join us to learn this traditional method of piecing and unwind with a new hand pieced project.

Hand Quilting

Instructor: Cherie Swanson

Tuesday 6/15 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$20

In this class you will get down to basics and learn to hand quilt. We'll cover the ins and outs of this time honored method of quilting and you will have time to practice here under the guidance of an experienced quilter. You'll be ready to enjoy hours of stitching on your projects at home. There is nothing like hand quilting to make a quilt special.

Quilt Labels

Instructor: Sue Olsen

Thursday 5/20 1:00-3:00

Fee: \$15

Do you want to give your finished projects a personal touch? Labels are a great way to “sign” your gift quilts as well as to document the details of your quilts. In this class you will get to explore a variety of methods of creating your own quilt labels. Join us and have some fun “playing” with fabric markers and/or iron on transfers to make your own unique labels.

“Cheater” Binding

Instructor: Sue Olsen

Friday 5/7 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$15

It isn't *really* cheating, but it is so fast and easy it feels like it. Traditionally, binding is hand sewn to the back of the quilt, but for those who don't have the interest, time, or ability for hand sewing – there is another way. In this class you will learn to apply bindings completely with your sewing machine!

Projects

Baby's Best Blankie

Instructor: Cherie Swanson

Saturday 6/5 10:00-4:00

Fee: \$30

Every baby needs a special blankie! This one is made entirely out of nine patches and is so easy that you might just finish it *completely* in class. The interesting uneven edge is not bound, which makes this a very do-able beginner's project. Have some fun picking out the fabrics for that baby in your life. This pattern also makes a very nice table topper.

Big Star

Instructor: Sheila Snyder

Saturday 5/1 10:00-2:00

Fee: \$35

Pattern Required: Star Quilt by Country Threads \$6.49

Make this BIG star quilt as a throw, twin or queen size quilt. Big pieces = fast work! The throw can easily be completed in class. This pattern is sure to become your favorite gift quilt since it goes together so fast. The pieces are large enough to show off those large-scale prints, geometrics, batiks or florals – anything goes. Don't you love the drama of the large scale? Bet you can't make just one!

Double Irish Chain

Instructor: Cherie Swanson

Saturday 5/8 10:00-4:00

Fee: \$30

Make this long time favorite pattern in your fresh new favorite fabrics. We have a couple of wonderful samples of this pattern and will teach you how to make your own version. Don't be intimidated, it isn't as difficult as it looks - the fabrics do the work to create the interesting overall design.

French Garden

Instructor: Cherie Swanson

Saturday 4/10 10:00-4:00

Fee: \$30

Pattern Required: French Garden by Swirly Girl Designs \$9.29

What do you get when you combine a 16-patch block, a big block of print and an easy to piece sash - all set diagonally? A feast for the eyes! This is a great pattern to showcase your favorite large-scale print with a mix of complimentary fabrics. Whether it is dramatic, sweet, whimsical or sophisticated – this quilt has an attitude!

Hats

Instructor: Celeste Percy

Sunday 5/2 12:00-3:00

Fee: \$20

What could be more fun than a hat made from one of your amazing fabrics? How about a sweet summer floral, a wild dot, a novelty print or a stunning solid color? In this class have some fun learning to make a hat with a regular or wide brim. Once you make one – you won't be able to stop yourself...

Mariner's Compass

Instructor: Jeanne Wong

Tuesdays 4/20 and 4/27 10:00-1:00

Fee: \$35

What a striking and timeless design the Mariner's Compass is! In this class you will learn to use paper piecing to construct the center and corner compasses. Finishing options will be reviewed so you can choose what appeals to you most to show off your striking compasses. This class is for confident beginners or intermediate quilters.

Pillows

Instructor: Michelle Kenney

Sunday 5/16 12:00-3:45

Fee: \$20

Book Required: Fun and Fabulous Pillows to Sew by Valerie Van Arsdale Shrader \$14.95

This is a perfect project for an absolute beginning sewer. Learn more about sewing while making pillows for your home. The amazing fabrics available today combined with a variety of interesting finishing options provide an opportunity for you to practice your sewing skills and create something unique at the same time. What a bonus!

Stashapalooza

Instructor: Kelly Duke

Wednesdays 3/17, 4/21, 5/19, 6/16 10:00-12:00

Fee: \$15

Many of us have accumulated quite a stash of fabrics and wonder how we can make better use of what we have. In each class Kelly will introduce a different pattern and demonstrate how you can turn your stash into treasure. The class will be offered in the morning and you are welcome to stay after the class and sew into the afternoon during which time Kelly will be available to answer questions. You can sign up for one or all of the classes; they are not sequential so feel free to jump in anytime. It's bound to be a fun (and productive) way to spend a Wednesday. This class is for confident beginners and beyond.

Sunset Quilt

Instructor: Sue Olsen

Saturday 5/15 10:00-4:00

Fee: \$30

Pattern Required: Sunset by Sunflower Hill Designs \$8.59

The vibrant color and sharp lines of this unique design contrast make a fun and exciting quilt. Don't be intimidated by the seemingly complicated design - construction is easier than it looks! So have some fun, play with the color and learn some great piecing techniques at the same time.

T-Shirt Quilt

Instructor: Cherie Swanson

Tuesday 4/6 1:00-3:00

Fee: \$20

Do you have a special collection of T-shirts? Or maybe someone you know has a collection of favorites from sports, annual events, school activities? You can create a special keepsake by making a quilt out of those T's. Join us for a 2 hour lecture and demonstration that will prepare you to complete this project on your own at home. This is the ultimate gift for an upcoming graduate.....

On-Going at Piece by Piece...

Kaffe Club

This group is for people who share an interest in Kaffe Fasset fabrics and designs. This is an informally meeting group that develops their own agenda as they go – but centers around the “Kaffe” style of quilting. The group meets every 3rd Friday - the dates for spring are 3/19, 4/16, 5/21 and 6/18. New people are welcome to join in anytime - so drop by and see what this creative group of quilters is up to.

Drop-In Sewing

Tired of sewing alone in your space at home? Feeling a little shut in? The classroom is available every Wednesday from 12:00-5:00 for drop-in sewing. Bring a project and/or a friend and spend the afternoon sewing here! If you need even more time for sewing, check with us in advance about whether the classroom is also available in the morning on Wednesdays. If we don't have a class scheduled in the morning, you can come early.

New at Noon

On the first Wednesday of each month at noon we will be presenting products, sharing tips and getting creative with various items available through the store. We'll cover a variety of topics – from using a specialized ruler to the latest trend in fabrics. Come on in for a noon-time break in your day and pick up a new idea or trick or two. The dates for spring are: 3/3, 4/7, 5/5 and 6/2

Donation Quilt day

Instructor: Kelly Duke

Thursday 4/8 or Saturday 5/22 or Friday 6/25 10:00-4:00

Fee: no fee

Join us for a day of sewing to make quilts to donate to the Quilts of Hope Project which provides baby quilts to infants in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. The quilts provide comfort and a personal touch to families and can be used to cover isolettes to shield the babies from bright lights. We'll provide information about sizes and suggest patterns that use fabrics from your stash so you can complete a top in a day. Grab a friend or come make new ones and spend the day sewing together for this worthy cause. Feel free to join us for one or all of the days and even though there is no fee, registration is preferred so that we can make sure there is room for everyone.

Piece by Piece Class Information

- Registration is on a first-come basis and requires full payment to secure your spot. You can register in person or over the phone. If a class is full, we'll keep a waiting list in case there are cancellations.
- If you have questions about whether a class is right for you or not, the teacher for the class will be happy to answer your questions.
- If we cancel a class due to low enrollment, we will do so 5-7 days in advance and give a full refund.
- If you need to cancel a class, refunds will be given only if you give at least 7 days notice.
- For each class you enroll in you will receive a gift certificate for one 10% off shopping day redeemable within 30 days.
- For everyone's comfort, the classroom is a fragrance free zone.