

WORKSHOP - WINGS & WEDGES: ABSTRACT APPLIQUÉ

LENGTH - 1 or 2 day

LEVEL - All

Sewing machine needed (at least a few of decorative stitches)

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION -

Try some “improv appliqué” by cutting simple freeform shapes into stabilized and folded fabrics. These unique shapes will evolve into several small fabric collages. You will also learn Jane’s accessible machine appliqué techniques while sharpening your design and machine embroidery skills. Appliqué can be MODERN!

Appliqué collage can be more direct and more flexible than pieced compositions. Portable pre-made shapes allow spontaneous possibilities and creative decision making is involved throughout the whole process from cutting and composing and on to construction. Add a new technique to your toolbox!

We will cut into stabilized fat fabric quarters and use the resulting shapes in a unique collage composition. This will also provide a chance to sharpen your design and machine embroidery skills. **Your fabrics should be backed with interfacing and squared off before class begins.**

PARTICIPANTS SUPPLY LIST -

- Drawing materials: Micron pen, tracing paper roll or large pad.
- Sewing basics: scissors, pins, etc.
- Sewing machine in good working order
- Open-toed embroidery foot - optional, #20 Bernina
- Roxanne’s Glue Baste-It with needle applicator
- Xacto type knife with #11 blade (optional)
- Wonder Under or some kind of paper backed iron-on adhesive, half yard
- Rotary cutter, mat and ruler
- 24” roll of Golden Threads Quilting Paper
- Fabrics: six fat quarters (solids, batiks and/or simple prints in colors that you like together).
backed with fusible interfacing: white, non woven - approximately 3 yards
(Shir Tailor 950F by Pellon is best).
- Light weight and sturdy portable pinning board that is around 2’ X 3’. It could be a large piece of corrugated cardboard or an insulation board. This way you can work flat on their tables, but also hold up your work for display.
- Threads: Basic 50wt sewing thread to match your fabrics and matching bobbins.
- Extension cord, multiple-outlet strip, adaptors (if necessary)
- Digital camera-optional, but very useful

THE GUILD SHOULD SUPPLY:

Large projection screen

Sturdy table for projector and laptop

2-3 quilt hangers or other safe way to display quilts

2 tables for teachers use

3-5 irons and big board ironing stations

Electrical cords and extensions, multiple-outlet strip, adaptors, lighting (if necessary)

Plenty of workspace for each student

