

NeedleNews

Monthly newsletter from Needleworks Fabrics and Classes

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SWAP & SHOP

Sat. June 7

10am-5pm

Our Annual Swap & Shop is scheduled for June 7, so start sorting and packaging and getting ready to "recycle" your sewing and crafting leftovers. See the web site for more details.

Monthly Projects This month, we have a wall hanging that incorporates a couple of techniques. A bit of strip piecing, and some no-sew curves. Purchase the pattern and take your pick of a Fat Quarter to get you started. This project needs 3 FQs...so is an in-expensive as well as easy little quilt. If you purchase any more FQ to go with your kit, we'll give you the 15% off. Kits are only \$10.

Preferred Customer discount cards will go in the mail at the end of the month. Spend \$300 every three months and we'll send you a discount card to use for all your purchases in the following 3 months (except class registration). Contact the store or check the web site for more details. Make sure we have your snail mail address.

Treat Yourself Tuesdays: Our TYT have become a weekly event....so, no need to count Tuesdays, just come every week and sew with us from 1-4pm. Bring along whatever project you are working on (clothing, quilting, or mending) and join us for a chat with a

Open 10am-6pm Monday-Saturday

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little bit of creativity thrown into the mix. Come for all three hours or whatever fits your schedule. Everyone is welcome....we'll learn from each other and be inspired! Only \$8 for the afternoon....GST and coffee/tea included. Call the store for more details.

Come, let us teach & inspire your creative side.

Some of our classes don't have dates yet. Contact the store and let us know you are interested and we'll work on scheduling at your convenience.

Sewing:

Adult Beginner Sewing: This class is for those who haven't sewn before or who haven't sewn for a long time. This is also a great time to learn how to use your new or new to you sewing machine. Students will make two projects: a tote bag and a pullover top. Contact the store for the dates of our next class. \$120 .

T-Shirt: With summer approaching, why not make yourself a wardrobe basic? Chose a simple t-shirt pattern and learn how to make minor adjustments and sew with knits on your sewing machine and/or serger. \$60 Mon April 7 & 14; 6:30-9:30pm

Palmer Pletsch - We have a certified instructor who teaches the following classes. Cindy will give you lots of tips and ideas for beautifully constructed garments.

- **Perfect Fit Blouse:** Learn how to alter the bust darts or seams on a blouse so that you *will* want to wear it and make it again. Our Palmer Pletsch instructor will show you how. Cindy \$110 Tues April 1; 6:30-8pm, 15, 22, 29; 6:30-9:30pm
- **Classic Skirt:** Learn how to fit and sew a lined skirt with a full waistband and zipper. Cindy TBA
- **20 Designer Tips:** Learn from a Palmer Pletsch instructor as she presents these tips that will change our sewing dramatically for a more professional look to all your sewing projects. There is no supply list for this class....just an open mind and a coffee cup. TBA

Bra-Making 101: Let Jane help you to fit and sew a professionally made bra that fits you perfectly. On day 2, Learn how to add designer details to your second bra. The cost includes kits for both bras. \$210, Sat & Sun, June 14 & 15; 9am-5pm

Jean Jacket: A jean jacket can be a wardrobe basic. Learn how to adjust the pattern for perfect fit and include a variety of embellishments as you sew your own jacket. \$90 Mon. April 21, May 5 & 12; 6:30-9:30pm

Fun:

Thread Play: We now have dates and more details will be posted on the web site....Monday April 28 & May 5; 1-4pm. Marj will show us how to use our own sewing machine to create some beautifully embroidered flowers. Learn the techniques and then create a beautiful design.

Serging:

Beginner Serger: This class is for those who know very little about their sergers. Paced so that you can learn to use your serger properly and with confidence, the instructor will teach you many time saving tips and tricks to enable you to get the most out of your serger. You will make three practical projects to show off your new skills as well making samples for a sample book. TBA

Serger Sweatshirt/T-shirt: Learn some super, time saving techniques in this quick and easy class. Students will learn how to cut and serge a T-shirt or Sweatshirt completely on the serger. \$30 Thurs April 3; 12:30-3:30pm

Cover Hem Sergers: A class set aside for those who have machines that do the cover hem. Learn how to thread your machine, start and stop stitching and make a simple project to show off your work. \$30 Thurs April 10; 12:30-3:30pm

Quilting:

Quilter's Primer: Our "other" beginner quilting class. This class is a 6-block sampler where in addition to the skills learned in 1-2-3 Quilting, you will learn how to make triangles, measure and add sashing and borders. \$150 (book included) (New Dates) Wednesday, April 9, 15, 23, May 7 & 14; 6:30-9:30pm

Photo Transfer: Learn how easy it is to print directly on fabric. Margaret has experimented with many tools and techniques and has a great presentation to inspire you. \$25 April 1, 6:30-9pm

Photo Transfer Work-Day: Once you know the basics, Margaret will help you to create some beautiful printed pages for your next quilt or project. \$50. Tuesday, April 8; 4-9pm.

Free Motion Quilting-Beginner: This class will have you creating beautiful quilting stitches in no time. Use a practice quilt to learn and master some beautiful fill stitches for your next quilt. Students will also learn how to use templates and master marking the quilt. \$60 Tues. May 13 & 20; 6:30-9:30pm

Free Motion Quilting—Feathers: Learn how to create beautiful feathers that fly. Students will learn 3 methods of stitching feathers in this great no-mark technique. \$30 Tuesday, May 27; 6:30-9:30pm

9-Patch Jacket: Play with the simple 9-patch blocks and create a stunning jacket to highlight a favorite fabric. Each section (back, fronts, sleeves) is made of a different arrangement of 9-patch blocks. The blocks are then quilted with very thin batting. The quilts are cut and sewn into a great stunning jacket. This class is scheduledso that you have time to complete each step. Fri, April 25, May 9, 30, June 20. 5:30-8:30pm.

Hand Dyed Fabrics: If you have never dyed fabrics before, these classes are a lot of fun. Learn about basic colour theory, start working on a colour wheel, learn how to get texture and the mechanics of dyeing fabric. (Fabric and dye kit included) Allison TBA

- Our introductory class gives students a "taste" for the basics....learn how to dye.
- Our Colour Wheel class will guide you as you create a 12 step colour wheel

KidSew

Summer Camps

Full details are to follow, but here is what we have so far. Classes will run either 10am-noon or 1-4pm. Let us know what you/your child is interested in to help us with our schedule.

- **Pre-KidSew:** 3 days to sew simple creative projects for the younger set who are just starting.
- **KidSew Quilt Camp:** chose from 3 choices of quilt in this weeklong camp.
- **KidSew Sew Camp:** chose from 3 garment projects in this weeklong camp.
- **KidSew Open Sew:** children can chose any project to sew.
- **KidSew Open Quilt:** children can chose any project to quilt.
- **KidSew Hand Dyed Flower Garden:** The children will design their own garden, dye fabric and quilt a wall hanging.

KidSew® Program

At Needleworks, we are pleased to offer a sewing certificate for our school age sewers. Children can work towards sewing certificates in a variety of different projects. Contact the store for more details.

Class Registration is \$50 for 6 hours of instruction. Weekdays, the registration is on-going and students are asked to register for a minimum of 4 (1 1/2 hour) lessons at a time. Saturdays, we have picked 3 dates per month, each 2 hour lessons. A 10% discount is offered for each child that registers for more than one session at a time.

Classes are offered

- Monday 4:30-6pm
- Tuesday 4:30-6pm
- Wednesday; 4:30-6pm (Junior High)
- Thursday; 9-11am (for homeschooled children) 4-5:30 or 5:30-7pm
- Friday (for homeschooled children); 9-10:30am, 10:30am-noon, or 1-2:30pm
- Saturday; 9-11am, 11am-1pm, 2-4pm, 4-6pm

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Needleworks Class Registration Policies

Full Payment is required at the time of registration. - GST is added to the cost of all classes. A supply list will be given at time of registration. - Please confirm class is running before purchasing class supplies. - Students are encouraged to purchase their class supplies at Needleworks. This helps us to offer classes at reasonable rates. - Students purchasing their supplies at Needleworks will receive 10% off their purchases. - Full details of registration policy can be found on the website. www.needleworks.org