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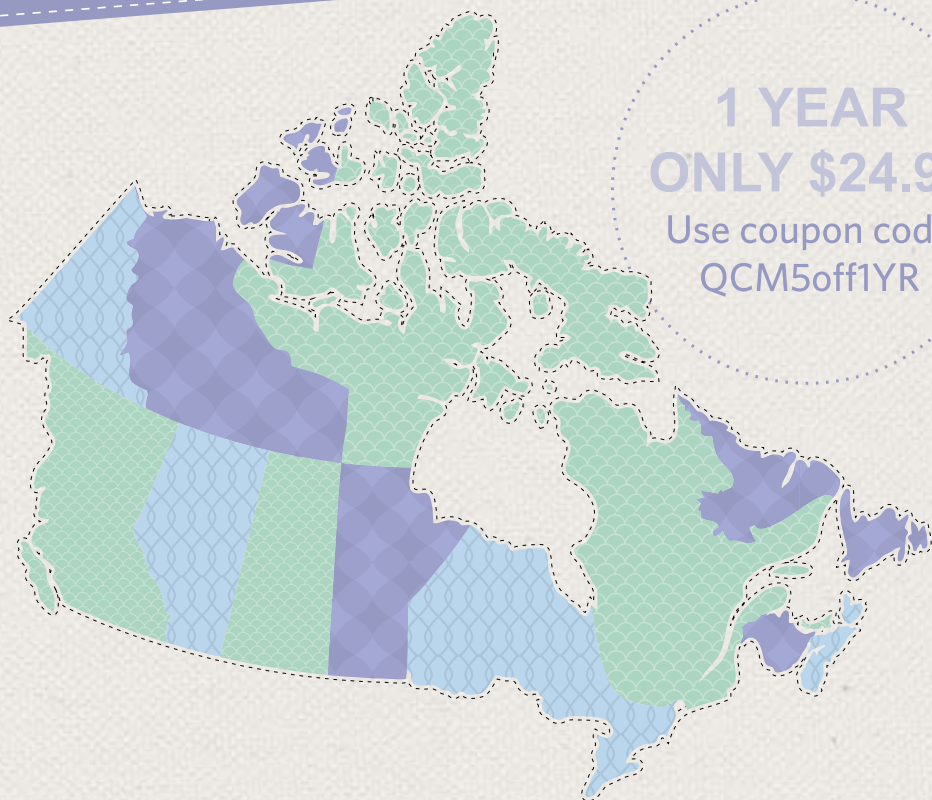
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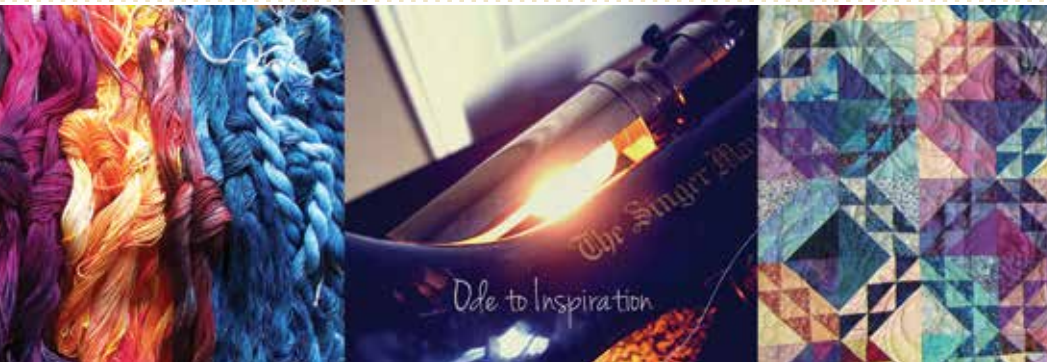
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Ask The Expert!

Bring your sewing questions to Liz!

Liz Thompson from Janome and Elna will be in the Sawyer Sewing Center booth Friday and Saturday 9:30 am -10:00 am and 2:00 pm – 2:30pm



N. Jefferson will be on the show floor presenting free demos showcasing some of the new and trendy up and coming products.

A DEFINITE MUST SEE!!

“All Kids Sewing” Fashion Show

For over 20 years this fashion show has highlighted children's imaginations from age 7 and up. Come and cheer on their creations. From sewing bags to formal Graduation gowns, these students make it happen! For some it is their first creation. Be sure to be there as you may walk away wanting more from yourself!

Saturday 1:15 pm on the Fashion Stage.



SEWING PRODUCT SPECIALIST

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- Notions specialist
- Certified Sulky® Educator
- Cathy has been a sewing enthusiast for 40 years and a Sewing Educator for the past 25 years
- Cathy's enthusiasm and fun-filled classes demonstrate her love of sewing

LadyBugs, Butterflies and Flowers

It's time to think SPRING!!

Join us on Friday at 1:15 pm on the Fashion Stage for an hour of fiber arts, quilting and applique techniques that can be used to SPRING up your wardrobe or brighten your home. Combine these techniques with new rulers, notions and fabric markers to make your job not only easier but fun too!!



Banners of Hope

Each year Canada Sews launches a new project to encourage more Canadians to sew. This year's initiative, Banners of Hope, are small fabric based banners featuring inspirational messages for display in hospitals, shelters and charity locations to greet the public in times of personal challenge. Meet the Canada Sews team, see Banners of Hope sample projects and get inspired to create a banner that sends your own personal message of hope.

You are invited to join in this exciting, worthwhile project with a hands-on construction zone at Canada Sews in Victoria. See more about this project at www.CraftandHobby.org/canada



Kathryn Brown

As a sewer who has had needle and thread in hand since age seven, Kathryn loves both to learn and to teach. Specializing in "grown up" women, Kathryn specializes in teaching FIT for all aspects of clothing. Her latest study was fitting and techniques for knit fabrics. Any woman who likes to sew will admit that fitting a pattern is her most challenging part of the project. As a Certified Sewing Instructor for Palmer/Pletsch McCall's patterns, Kathryn loves to educate and entertain students who keep asking for more classes and more time.



Pressing Matters

FRIDAY: 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm

SATURDAY: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

ROOM: Lilac

If you're trying to improve your skills in sewing, a class in pressing will take your garments or projects from that "lovingly homemade" look to a professionally finished piece. This is a class of tips, tricks and techniques. Who would think you could spend an hour talking about irons and what you do with them and...thoroughly enjoy the time as well?

Even More Tips For The Sewing Room

FRIDAY: 4:45 pm – 5:45 pm

SATURDAY: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

ROOM: Lilac

The wonderful response to these classes from Kathryn has resulted in one more year of tips that are really useful but will teach you to take your sewing skills to a higher level. Notes on new learnings from the past two years will be shared. Every tip has to be simple, be time efficient, and produce better results in the finished product. This is a class that fills up quickly so registering early is highly recommended.

Sewing For A Full Bust

FRIDAY: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

SATURDAY: 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm

ROOM: Lilac

Full-busted women buy oversized clothes so they can button the front. Learn how to buy the right size pattern and make it fit your full bust by tissue fitting. We'll adjust patterns for a blouse, a jacket and a T-shirt. You'll learn to add darts to a dartless pattern and move darts from traditional to 'design adding' places. Learn to sew what you want and make it fit in the bustline. All patterns are designed for an A to B cup bra...this class could be the answer for you!

*We include everything you need –
Just bring your Enthusiasm!!*

The Material Girls

The Material Girls is a home based business in Victoria; marketing the "Sewing Workshop" pattern line, fabrics and accessories from our world travels (currently Bali). Marilyn Carter is an accomplished sewing instructor with over 20 years experience in the sewing industry. Her passion (from one material girl to another) is to inspire garment sewers to sew up their stash into a trend- setting wardrobe.

Fashion Show

FRIDAY: 9:30 am and 12:00 pm

SATURDAY: 9:30 am and 12:00 pm

ROOM: Fashion Stage

Join The Material Girls' in this seasons edgy and contemporary interpretation on the SEWING WORKSHOPS innovative fashion pattern line. Inspired by a colourful pallet of fabrics and accessories from BALI, this season's fashion show collection promises to provide timeless inspiration for new and experienced sewers alike, with styles for all body types.



Ron Collins

Designer, speaker and teacher, Ron is Canada's best known sewing personality. He has inspired audiences with appearances on HGTV, Sew Perfect, Life Network, CTV, Eyes on Toronto, and featured in Vogue magazine. Ron and Sandra Betzina from Power Sewing together have produced twelve DVD's, along with an on-line TV show that debuted in January 2009 with over 130 shows that have been aired with great reviews.



Bodice Pattern Alterations and Body Measurements for the Right Fit

(3 hours hands on)

FRIDAY: 9:15 am – 12:15 pm

ROOM: Rose

KIT FEE: \$15.00

In this hands-on workshop you will learn how to identify the fitting problems and how to solve them. Ron will show how to correct fitting problems regarding sloping and square shoulders, large bust, high and low bust, removal of a bust dart, broad and round upper back, sway back or down-sloping back waistline, large upper arm, tight armholes, flat seat and many more. Ron will give you the inside answer on what pattern companies run larger and which ones tend to run true to measurements. Every student will have an alteration package to take home with them showing all the alterations that they have done and how much wearing ease you need

in all garments from close fitting, fitted, semi fitted, loose fitted and very loose fitted. Take the guess work out of trying to choose what size garment by finding the "finished garment measurements" and not using the sizes on the back of the pattern envelope. See the difference in sizing charts in major pattern companies and how to choose the right size for you and how to avoid disappointment in fitting.

Designer Tips for Couture Results

(3 hours hand on)

SATURDAY: 9:15 am – 12:15 pm

ROOM: Rose

KIT FEE: \$5.00

Do an invisible stitch patch pocket with lining that is completely stitched down by machine for strength. Learn how to mitre hems with different depths; perfect for skirts and back jacket vents. Sew a perfect square corner and learn an amazing double wound bobbin stitch that looks the same on both sides. Get tips on edge/top stitching, saddle and decorative stitching, and learn tips using heavy thread in your sewing machine. Plus see Ron build shape into a machine stitch shoulder pad to maintain and build in shape along with an unbelievable way to ease in sleeves; also see how to sew in a set-in sleeve that will rival any top brand label for that first class look.



Tailored Jacket Structure

SATURDAY: 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

ROOM: Rose

See the secrets behind the seam of a tailored jacket. In this class you will see how to fuse interfacing to a jacket front and lapel, along with machine pad stitching to prevent the lapels

from stretching out during pressing, along with taping a roll-line to give it memory that hugs your body and always looks symmetrical. Want a professional looking jacket? Ron will also discuss the different interfacings to use throughout the entire tailored jacket and which ones to stay away from. Learn to achieve beautiful and fabulous techniques that will rival any ready-to-wear suit.

Taming Knits

SATURDAY: 3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

ROOM: Rose

Knits - the fabric of choice for most people. Single, double, lycra and sweater knits, comfortable to wear, great for traveling, a staple in your wardrobe and you don't have to iron them. Learn what there is to know about this great fabric from layout of the fabric, marking, cutting, interfacing, correct needle sizes and type to use, seam hem finishes, closure and more. Know what to look for when shopping for knits and see how to stabilize neck lines, shoulder seam and armholes. See how to line knit pants for an excellent technique, as the lining is anchored to the pants at the waist and crotch to give you an invisible hem.



Debbie Coté

Aunt Debbie's Knit & Stitch

Learn the Crocodile Stitch - Intermediate

FRIDAY: 11:45 am – 12:45 pm

ROOM: Gardenia

New technique that gives dimension to the crochet realm. Using long-colour-length yarn, each stitch has its own colour. Have fun making a bag to show off your new skill. Take the skills you learn making the sample swatch in class to create slippers, blankets or scarfs. Pre-req: know chain and double crochet stitches. Free pattern included with class.

Tunisian Stitch - Intermediate

FRIDAY: 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm

ROOM: Gardenia

Take crochet to a new level. Tunisian crochet is half crochet/half knit and can make amazing fabrics for afghans or scarfs. This technique is also great for completed afghans with cross-stitched embellishments. We will make a coaster in this class from which skills you can use to make a variety of other projects. Pre-req: know how to chain stitch. Free pattern included with class.

Come Be Inspired!

See Behind the Seam

Pant and Skirt Alterations and Knowing Your Body Measurements

(3 hours hands on)

FRIDAY: 2:45 pm – 5:45 pm

ROOM: Rose

KIT FEE: \$15.00

Learn how to alter your pant or skirt pattern for a perfect fit. Ron will show how to do alterations for flat and low seat, full thighs, large waist, knock knees, bowed legs plus protruding derriere, full hip, high hip. Do you have a hard time or do not know how to measure yourself to help with pattern alterations? Part of this workshop we will take a total of 28 body measurements: high bust, low bust, shoulder width, sleeve length, back waist length, pant and skirt length.... plus more. These basic but essential measurements are crucial for a start to fitting your patterns. You will have an alteration package to go home with all your pant and skirt alterations and personal measurement chart.

Beginner Crochet

SATURDAY: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

ROOM: Gardenia

Never held a hook? Time to learn how! Let's learn to make a very simple infinity scarf. We will learn how to make a chain stitch and half double crochet stitch.

Lace Knitting - Intermediate or Ambitious Beginner

SATURDAY: 9:15 am – 10:15 am

ROOM: Gardenia

Learn some new lace techniques. We will teach three unique stitches during this class. Use them to create unique shawls or scarfs.

Knitting With Beads- Intermediate or Ambitious Beginner

FRIDAY: 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

ROOM: Gardenia

Need some bling to your project? We will learn how to add beads to a scarf edge as a preplanned project or as an after thought.



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Annet Holierhoek

Orange Wire Art

Annet Holierhoek was born in the The Netherlands where she had been a College Teacher in economic subjects for 18 years. Immigrating to Canada in 2005 was a starting point for exploring her creativity. That led her to import a medium called Paverpol. Paverpol makes it possible to create outdoor objects big or small using most often; just a t-shirt! She's happy to see that Paverpol has been adapted by crafters, hobbyists and artists, from the East to the West coast. Annet shares her enthusiasm through her classes and lets students experience that it is easy and fun to create unique sculptures and, that with Paverpol "everybody can be an artist!"

Whimsical Garden Figures

Friday: 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Saturday: 9:15 am – 11:15 am

ROOM: Daisy

KIT FEE: \$30.00

Another great garden object that can be made with Paverpol the #1 non-toxic fiber hardener! This year's workshop is all about texture! Roll up your sleeves and join me on this creative adventure. Although Paverpol sculptures are often made from old t-shirts Paverpol, not textile is needed for this sculpture. Paverpol is liquid polymer can be used on natural fibers and turns it into rock hard objects that can stay outside year round. After this 2 hour workshop you will be proud to take home a unique garden sculpture made by you with basic tools but with a big impact! It's fun, easy and no previous experience is required. To see the example go to: www.orangewireart.ca workshops. The sculpture is approximately 24 cm tall (9-1/2").



Debra Justice

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www.laboursoflove.com

Debra Justice is an internationally known keynote speaker, video celebrity, author, freelance writer for Sew News Magazine and Proprietress of Labours of Love Heirloom Sewing Supplies an online sewing boutique. Debra's informative, inspiring, to the point, seminars have made her favorite speaker and respected sewing expert nationwide.



Fabrications: Fabrics with a Mind of their Own

FRIDAY: 9:15 am – 10:15 am

ROOM: Lilac

Don't be intimidated by fabrics you love because they have special characteristics. Yes, you can sew them. Simply learn to trouble-shoot problems before they appear. Get the short list on what to expect from a variety of tricky fabrics, followed by easy, practical solutions, techniques and suggestions for tools, needles and feet for trouble free sewing. Discuss a range of fashionable fabrics including various knits, sheers, leather, burlap, oilcloth, denim, fancy, embellished fabrics and popular pile or napped fabrics like corduroy, velvet, terry and fur. Bonus: learn to laminate fabrics and how to personalize your projects with your own printed fabric. A great class full of confidence building "aha" moments.

Inspiration!

Group Therapy: The Sewing Room Makeover

FRIDAY: 10:45 am – 11:45 am
ROOM: FASHION STAGE

Small changes can make a big difference in your sewing space. With a few pointers on equipment placement and clever ideas for organizing your tools and spools you will sew more efficiently and enjoy your studio whatever its size or location. Break down the different activity zones, discuss the do's and don'ts for each and come up with practical solutions to common problems that feature up-cycling, new products, cool improvises and ideas you can only get from other sewists with the same dilemmas. Discuss placement and proximity by importance, lighting, essential tools for each area and clever, cost effective concepts for walls, floors, cutting tables, ironing surfaces, storing all "that stuff," practical pretty shelving and more. See a showcase of sewing and crafts rooms for ideas and fresh inspiration to get your own makeover started. Remember, to ramp up your sewing and enjoy the process more, maybe it's the space we need to manage, not our time!



"Size Matters": Needles, Threads and Great Stitches

FRIDAY: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
ROOM: Lilac

A solid understanding of needle sizes and shapes, and how they interact with various threads and your fabric can ensure smooth stitching every time – no problem! Learn a bit about keeping your machine in good working order with a balanced stitch, then see just what the right needle in the right size can do for you! Brands, styles, problem-solvers and special uses ... twin, triple, double eyes, single / double hem stitching, spring needles and more. Size ALWAYS matters!



Meet Your Feet: Show & Tell

FRIDAY: 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
SATURDAY: 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
ROOM: FASHION STAGE

Debra's 'Footwork' column from Sew News magazine comes to life in the classroom as she shows a wide variety of presser feet: the standard use and then clever additional uses for each. Learn how to use the feet you already own to the max, and identify the ones worthy of purchase. See the blind hem, braiding, pintuck, darning, bias binder, invisible zipper, flower feet and get solutions for difficult fabrics with the roller, Teflon® and walking feet. Learn to attach pearls and beads, stipple, fix damaged lace and see the button foot attach a variety of buttons, closures and embellishments. Bonus: step back in time with vintage foot "show and tell."

Take it to the Next Level: Sew Like a Pro

SATURDAY: 9:15 am – 10:15 am
ROOM: Lilac

Debra shares special, go-beyond-the-basics skills everyone who sews wants to know. This is a collection of tried and true techniques you'll use over and over, for both fine-tuned construction and the addition of up-to-the minute, fashion details. Includes French and flat felled seams, perfect topstitching, under stitching, scarf edging, even pleats, "reverse threaded" darts and tucks, invisible hems, regular and invisible zipper installations, plus lovely bias neck and arm finishes. Learn about hemming knits, lettuce and picot edges; easy fabric button loops and hemstitch applique round out this group of skills for a lifetime of sewing satisfaction. Bring it all together with a few shortcuts from the garment industry for faster and more efficient sewing.

20 Sewing Hacks You Should Know

SATURDAY: 10:45 am – 11:45 am
ROOM: FASHION STAGE

Hacks for all sorts of situations are showing up on the internet these days, so Deb decided to put together a set of hacks for tricky sewing dilemmas. Save time and get perfect results for matching stripes on knits, turning corners, sewing rick rack, Velcro, mitering corners, turning tubes (small and large), creating continuous bias/ piping and applying it well, hemming denim, adding and finishing seam allowances without a serger, why you want freezer paper in the sewing room and more!

Ruffles Are In!

Getting Girly – Making Ruffles and Sewing Lace

SATURDAY: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
ROOM: Lilac

Lace and ruffles add a soft, feminine look to fashions and accessories like nothing else can. With a few guidelines you can easily sew and apply both with ease. Learn a variety of ruffles with the shirring foot and the amazing vintage style ruffle attachment. See how to ruffle fabric and attach it to edges, or apply "floating ruffles" -- row upon row in one step! This is fast: no more gathering threads, pins or uneven gathers. Sewing with lace is a breeze with the right thread, stabilizers, needles, stitch options, and techniques. Learn to sew all-over lace yardage for garments, how to apply trims and appliques, tea dying it "vintage," join it and even repair it when necessary. The best of both worlds in one productive class.



Julie Plotniko

Julies Quilt Class

Julie has always been drawn to the beauty and tactile nature of cloth and does not remember a time when she did not sew. Her love affair with quilting began in the mid 70's and she began teaching in 1984. Julie has taught for many B.C. quilt and stitchery guilds, Malaspina College Adult Education, Sewing and Craft Shows, is one of the founding teachers for Parksville Elder College and teaches full time at Snip and Stitch Sewing Center in Nanaimo. Her favorite things include free motion quilting, precision piecing, scrap quilting, machine embroidery, designing and of course teaching. Julie believes that to see a student go from tentative beginnings to confidence in themselves and their abilities is one of the greatest rewards that life has to offer.



10 Absolutely Fabulous Things To Do With Pre-Cuts

SATURDAY: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

ROOM: Rose

Pre-cuts include fat 1/4's, 2 1/2" strip sets like charm packs of 5" squares, 10" charm packs and even triangles and hexagons. They are fun to collect, to trade and give as gifts. Let's explore some great ways to use your stash of pre-cuts so that you can buy more without "guilt". Placemats, pillows, table runners and of course quilts are just some of the "fabulous" things we can do with pre-cuts.



Beautiful

How Do I Quilt My Quilt?

FRIDAY: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

ROOM: Rose

Many patterns and books finish with the phrase "Quilt as Desired" leaving the modern quilter unsure of how to finish their project. This class will address the decision making process quilters must go through to help them finish their quilts. The choice of quilting design, thread, needles and batting as well as how to preview and mark designs will be covered. A seminar jam packed with tips, tricks and samples. Each student will have the opportunity to bring one quilt for quilting advice and interactive group discussion.



Perfect Your 1/4 Inch Seam

FRIDAY: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

ROOM: Carnation

Do your points and corners seem to get away from you? Have you ever experienced blocks that seem to grow or shrink? Did you know that as quilters we use measured, generous, scant and "quilters" 1/4 inch seam allowances depending on the project? Easy to follow tips will be given so that your 1/4 inch seams will be perfect from now on!

Tips and Tricks for Free Motion Quilting

FRIDAY: 4:45 pm – 5:45 pm

SATURDAY: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

ROOM: Carnation

For those who have tried free motion quilting or have always wanted to. We will discuss correct body positioning, machine tension, needle/thread/design combinations and explore methods for learning new designs. Interactive.

Learn & Discover



Carola Russell

Carola's Thread

Company and Quilt Shop.

Carola is always searching for new techniques and can't wait to share them with you! She has been a sewing educator for over 25 years and derives as much pleasure from teaching a technique as learning about and executing a technique. Carola's Quilt Shop and Thread Company is located in Gibsons on the beautiful Sunshine Coast of B.C.



"Perfect" Patchwork

FRIDAY: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

SATURDAY: 11:45 am – 12:45 pm

ROOM: Carnation

Your quilts don't measure up? Frustrated? You may say, "I know how to use a rotary cutter, sew a 1/4" seam allowance, I know how to measure, dah. You should see my sweet sewing machine. So what the %&*! My results should be perfect, what gives"? Carola will give you all the answers. You will leave this class nodding your head all the way home, aha, aha.

And Then...We Dyed It! A Serendipity Quilt Project

FRIDAY: 10:30 am -11:30 am

SATURDAY: 9:15 am – 10:15 am

ROOM: Carnation

Would you dare to dye a completed patchwork quilt top? Carola did. Start with an assortment of natural fiber fabrics, add a "glug" of Procion Dye and watch the magic! Join Carola to be inspired. Hear the tips and tricks and SEE the results. From patchwork, to dyeing, to quilting, Carola will blow your mind!

Cindy Scraba

Cindy's Threadworks

Cindy is the owner of

Cindy's Threadworks on-line

"Thread Candy Shoppe" and loves to talk about Thread. She is a columnist with The Canadian Quilter (CQA/ACC) National publication and resides on Vancouver Island where Thread Matters—A lot!



It's All About the Thread & And How-To Use it!

FRIDAY: 9:15 am – 10:15 am

SATURDAY: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

ROOM: Carnation

Whether you're a traditional or modern quilter, a hand stitcher or machine quilter, an appliqué perfectionist, seamstress, embroiderer, serger queen, fiber/quilt artist, or a crafter, THREAD is an essential tool.

THREAD is also a compelling design element and the glue in any project. Cindy's popular Thread Talks involve a unique hands-on approach, while resolving challenges all sewers experience. Lectures address queries such as:

- Why and when to choose from cotton, polyester or SILK Threads?
- What are the differences between Thread types and their sizes?
- Tips on choosing compatible needles and bobbin threads to maximize performance.
- When and how-to use decorative Threads successfully with minimum drama.

THREADS for Hand Stitching!

FRIDAY: 11:45 am – 12:45 pm

SATURDAY: 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm

ROOM: Carnation

If you already enjoy the beloved Art-of-Hand-Stitching or Embroidery or perhaps are curious what you're missing, prepare to be enlightened. The concept of hand stitching (modern name: Big Stitching) for embellishment and function is extremely popular in the quilting and sewing worlds.

Cindy will discuss the benefits and differences between Thread types, fibres, and needles specific to hand stitching for any project. This is an interactive lecture for creative-thinking individuals who recognize using the correct tools will help elevate your skill levels and achieve professional results. If you consider yourself to be a traditional or modern quilter, a hand embroiderer, a appliqué, or aspire to be a hand stitcher, you will benefit from the tips offered. Come with an open mind and take away Thread samples(!) plus a special appreciation of why hand stitching should be part of your repertoire. Some skills never go out of style!



Dream Bags!

FRIDAY: 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm

SATURDAY: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

ROOM: Carnation

Are you interested in making professional looking bags for yourself, as gifts or for resale?

In this NEW lecture, Cindy shares her eclectic collection of bags and totes. You will be able to compare and understand why certain stabilizers, threads and fabric choices, and finishing techniques all combine to create the ultimate DREAM BAG. Note from Cindy: Everywhere I go people have stopped to ask me: Where did you get your bag? Of course, my response is the same: I made it! I realized it was time to share my bag making skills and unique tips with you. If you are interested in creating your Dream Bag or Brag Bag, this lecture will help inspire and guide you to creating more professional projects going forward—Cindy's personal guarantee.



Lynn Swanson

Brother International Canada Ltd.

Lynn Swanson combines her skills as a corporate trainer and her passion for stitching as an Educator with Brother Canada. Lynn has been developing training, sewing, quilting, and dressmaking all her adult life. 4 years ago Lynn discovered the joys of machine embroidery and has now added that to her list of hobbies.



Scan / Stipple / Stitch and Sew Much More

FRIDAY: 9:15 am – 10:15 am

SATURDAY: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

ROOM: Gardenia

Does your free motion quilting leave a bit to be desired? Learn how the Brother Innov-is XV8500D can make you look like a free motion quilting expert. Be amazed at how you can convert line art, handwriting or prints and transform them into embroidery data. These techniques plus many other new and innovative features of the Dream Machine make this a first choice for sewing, quilting and machine embroidery. Join Brother Educator Lynn Swanson as she steps you through how she created her Spring Tulip Table Runner.

Digital Applique with Bling with the Brother Scan N Cut!

FRIDAY: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

SATURDAY: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

ROOM: Gardenia

Have you been thinking about adding a digital cutter to your sewing room? Learn easy ways to incorporate modern cutting technology, scanning

Fabulous!

of images and drawing all with one digital cutter into your appliqué and machine embroidery projects. Then take your designs to the next level by adding rhinestone Bling! All of this and so much more using the Brother ScanNCut. Join Brother Educator Lynn Swanson as she shares Scan N Cut tips and techniques and updates you on all the latest available kits and accessories. There will be hands on opportunities in this class.

Is A Machine Embroidery Business for Me?

SATURDAY: 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm
ROOM: Gardenia

Today everyone can use additional income – so what better time than now to start a home-based embroidery business? This is not a franchise or a “get-rich-quick” scheme – but an opportunity to join others who have made money with their embroidery machines. Join Vanessa McRae and Lynn Swanson from Brother Canada as they take you through the steps of the using Brother's state-of-the-art technology to realize your home business dreams including “tricks and tips” on making your business successful!



Denise Taylor

Total Texture

Denise works with a variety of fibers, textures and colours, allowing for the beauty of the work and image to mesmerize the viewer. Having designed wedding dresses, and floral design, the spectrum of colour is an asset. Denise is an energetic teacher who loves to share and encourage fellow students and artists.



Silk Ribbon Work By Machine

FRIDAY: 11:45 am – 12:45 pm
ROOM: Lilac
KIT FEE: \$10.00

Learn surface work with your machine and apply silk ribbon to look like hand work in far less time. Bobbin work will be touched on.

A Stable Surface For Sewing and Embroidery

FRIDAY: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
ROOM: Lilac
SAMPLE FEE: \$7.00

Learn the difference between the different stabilizers and when they are to be used, and what to use when you do not have the right product.

Silk Plus Ink Equals Elegance

SATURDAY: 11:45 am – 12:45 pm
ROOM: Lilac
KIT FEE: \$25.00

Learn a simple marbling technique making a beautiful silk scarf. A great learning experience while creating a one of a kind scarf. This class is messy but well worth it.

Liz Thompson

Janome & Elna

Liz Thompson is the Sales Educator for Janome & Elna Canada and has more than 20 years of experience in the sewing industry. She started sewing when she was a little 9 year old and is an expert with all forms of sewing: garments; heirloom; quilting; using sergers; home decorating & working with embroidery software. Liz will admit to doing about 50/50 garment sewing & quilting when she sews at home. She is very proud of the ribbons she has won at quilt shows, the most recent being for Excellence in Threadwork at the Quilt Canada National Juried Show in 2012. Liz is also a prolific and passionate blogger - check out <http://janomelife.wordpress.com> (which has more than 600 viewers per day) & <http://elnalife.wordpress.com> for loads of sewing hints, tips, ideas and inspiration.



Serging Knit Fabrics

FRIDAY: 10:30 am – 11:30 am
ROOM: Gardenia

Liz will lead you step by step through the serging of an entire knit garment: discover Liz's secrets for successful fabric prep, learn serger magic to get flat, unpuckered seams + see how easy it is to do professional edging on hems & neck. Fill in the blanks in your notes as Liz talks & sews - watch exactly how it is done with the aid of a nifty camera which projects everything onto the big screen.....and go away inspired to make your own knit garments!

Quick & Easy Gifts To Sew

SATURDAY: 11:45 am – 12:45 am
ROOM: Gardenia

Always looking for super fast & easy projects for those last minute gifts? Let Liz do the thinking for you! She will demo at least 4 great projects that always get a “wow”, such as the 20 minute pillow case and the 15 minute self-binding receiving blanket +more. Detailed Project notes will be given to attendees. It will be easy & clear to see how to make these projects with Liz's camera projected hands-on demo and/or projection of step-by-step instructions for all projects shown.



Trish Van Vliet

Trish began sewing at an early age and her sewing business has given her many areas of expertise throughout the 25 plus years. These include children's wear, home décor, fashion and formal wear including bridal, dance and skating apparel as well as offering alterations for just about everything. Her dedication and hard work ethic to making sewing popular and fun again is her main focus in these classes as well as learning as much as you can to feel more accomplished in your early sewing days. Trish teaches the Kids Sewing Company program in the Lower Mainland and privately for several years now with great results as the kids keep coming back to get their levels.

The Staple Dress – By April Rhodes

FRIDAY: 9:15 am – 11:30 am

SATURDAY: 11:45 am – 2:00 pm

ROOM: Daisy

KIT FEE: \$15.00

As seen in the Fall 2014 issue of Stitches Magazine! Trish will take you through this simple pattern with lots of possibilities! Make simple adjustments to fit the dress for your shape, cut and get started using easy techniques for quick satisfying results. This pattern will have you sewing if many times over again while exploring multiple fabric choices! Kit includes pattern and elastic shirring / Supply List upon signup (fabric and thread will be needed)

Love It!!



Intro To Sewing For Kids – Kids Sewing Company

FRIDAY: 11:45 am – 2:00 pm

SATURDAY: 2:15 pm – 4:30 pm

ROOM: Daisy

KIT FEE: \$15.00

This basic approach to sewing provides hands on information on machine basics, safety in your workspace, use of an iron, fabric basics, sewing symbols and completion of a drawstring bag. This class will give you the basics to start you on the journey into the sewing/ fashion world. Kit includes pattern, fabric, thread and cording. 15 students maximum, machines provided and notions for use in class only.

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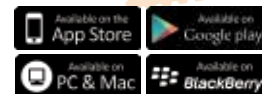
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	Lilac	Gardenia	Carnation
9:15 am to 10:15 am	Fabrications: Fabrics With a Mind of Their Own Debra Justice	Scan/Stipple/Stitch and Sew Much More! Lynn Swanson	It's All About the Thread & And How-To Use it! Cindy Scraba
10:30 am to 11:30 am	Sewing For a Full Bust Kathryn Brown	Serging Knit Fabrics Liz Thompson	And...Then WE Dyed It! A Serendipity Quilt Project Carola Russell
11:45 am to 12:45 pm	Silk Ribbon Work By Machine Denise Taylor Kit Fee: \$10	Learn The Crocodile Stitch Aunt Debbie's Knit & Stitch	THREADS for Hand Stitching! Cindy Scraba
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm	"Size Matters": Needles, Threads and Great Stitches Debra Justice	Digital Applique With Bling With The Brother Scan N Cut! Lynn Swanson	Perfect Patchwork Carola Russell
2:15 pm to 3:15 pm	Pressing Matters Kathryn Brown	Tunisian Stitch Aunt Debbie's Knit & Stitch	Dream Bags! Cindy Scraba
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm	A Stable Surface For Sewing and Embroidery Denise Taylor Sample Fee: \$7	Knitting With Beads Aunt Debbie's Knit & Stitch	Perfect Your ¼ Inch Seam Julie Plotniko
4:45 pm to 5:45 pm	Even More Tips For The Sewing Room Kathryn Brown		Tips and Tricks for Free Motion Quilting Julie Plotniko

Daisy	Rose	Fashion Stage
The Staple Dress – By April Rhodes Trish Van Vliet 9:15 - 11:30 am Kit Fee: \$15 JANOME	Bodice Pattern Alterations and Body Measurements For the Right Fit  Ron Collins 9:15 - 12:15 pm Kit Fee: \$15	Fashion Show The Material Girls 9:30 - 10:30 am
		Group Therapy: The Sewing Debra Justice 10:45 - 11:45 am
Intro To Sewing For Kids Trish Van Vliet 11:45 - 2:00 pm Kit Fee: \$15 JANOME		Fashion Show The Material Girls 12:00 - 1:00 pm
	How Do I Quilt My Quilt? Julie Plotniko 12:30 - 2:30 pm	LadyBugs, Butterflies and Flowers Cathy McLean 1:15 - 2:15 pm
		Meet Your Feet: Show and Tell Debra Justice 2:30 - 3:30 pm
	Pant and Skirt Alterations and Knowing Your Body Measurements  Ron Collins 2:45 – 5:45 pm Kit Fee: \$15	
Whimsical Garden Figures  Annet Holierhoek 3:30 – 5:30 pm Kit fee: \$30		

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 14, 2015

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**HANDS-ON
WORKSHOP**



**EXTRA COURSE FEE
REQUIRED**

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	Lilac	Gardenia	Carnation
9:15 am to 10:15 am	Take It To The Next Level: Sew Like a Pro Debra Justice	Lace Knitting Aunt Debbie's Knit & Stitch	And...Then WE Dyed It! A Serendipity Quilt Project Carola Russell
10:30 am to 11:30 am	Even More Tips For The Sewing Room Kathryn Brown	Digital Applique With Bling With The Brother Scan N Cut! Lynn Swanson	Dream Bags! Cindy Scraba
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1:00 pm to 2:00 pm	Getting Girly – Making Ruffles and Sewing Lace Debra Justice	Beginner Crochet Aunt Debbie's Knit & Stitch	It's All About the Thread & How-To-Use It! Cindy Scraba
2:15 pm to 3:15 pm	Sewing For a Full Bust Kathryn Brown	Is a Machine Embroidery Business For Me? Lynn Swanson	THREADS for Hand Stitching! Cindy Scraba
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Pressing Matters Kathryn Brown	Scan/Stipple/Stitch and Sew Much More! Lynn Swanson	Tips and Tricks for Free Motion Quilting Julie Plotniko

Daisy	Rose	Fashion Stage
Whimsical Garden Figures Annet Holierhoek 9:15 - 11:15 am Kit fee: \$30 \$ 🖐️	Designer Tips For Couture Results Ron Collins 9:15 - 12:15 pm Kit Fee: \$5 \$ 🖐️	Fashion Show The Material Girls 9:30 - 10:30 am
		20 Sewing Hacks You Should Know Debra Justice 10:45 - 11:45 am
The Staple Dress – By April Rhodes Trish Van Vliet 11:45 - 2:00 pm Kit Fee: \$15 JANOME \$ 🖐️	10 Absolutely Fabulous Things To Do With Pre-Cuts Julie Plotniko 12:30 - 2:30 pm	Fashion Show The Material Girls 12:00 - 1:00 pm
		“All Kids Sewing” Fashion Show 1:15 - 2:15 pm
Intro To Sewing For Kids Trish Van Vliet 2:15 - 4:30 pm Kit Fee: \$15 JANOME \$ 🖐️	Tailored Jacket Structure Ron Collins 2:45 - 3:45 pm	Meet Your Feet: Show and Tell Debra Justice 2:30 - 3:30 pm
	Taming Knits Ron Collins 3:45 - 4:45	

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