

Sewing



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Designer Construction Techniques

Learn top of the line designer techniques to produce professional results with construction that is simple. See results in an edge treatment that is great for facing that will complete the garment and doesn't have a single visible stitch. Sew darts and tucks with only one thread on your sewing machine with no back stitching to give you that designer result. Learn how to perfect the invisible zipper with a smooth seam from the end of the zipper to the continuous seam. If you love the look of a bound button hole, but were never happy with the results, come and sew one of Ron's sought after techniques for this posh buttonhole. (Reference booklet and samples to go home with).

Thurs 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Marigold Room

Class Fee \$30

Kit Fee \$15 – Supply List

Sewing machine required.

Posh Seam and Hem Finishes

Create 17 reference samples in this information-packed class! Do a total of 12 different seam finishes. Seven of them are non-serged, which includes Hong Kong, Bound, Flat Fell, French and Striped, along with a great way to finish off underlined pants with a Double French Seam. Learn also how to make 142" of continuous bias tape at 1 3/4" wide out of 16 1/2" square of fabric for some of these great seams. Plus, make a fake flat fell seam, reinforced seam, and a finished clean edged pressed open seam as well. Make an unbelievable dart and pleat using one thread on your sewing machine, using only your bobbin thread in your sewing machine; great for shear fabrics or a designer detail. (Reference booklet and samples to go home with)

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Pattern Alterations For Bodice Fitting

Is bodice fitting your nemesis? Most commercial patterns are drafted for a "B" cup. In this hands on workshop you will be making samples of numerous bodice pattern alterations. Learn how to add in a dart, move a dart for high or low bust, alter for small bust, raise or lower bust fullness and circumferences for a princess seam. I have taught bodice alteration workshops in the past; here are more techniques to add to your knowledge of pattern alterations and end up with a garment that fits well and flatters your figure. Reference booklet and samples to go home with. Kit fee \$20.00 (Reference booklet and samples to go home with).

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Pant Alterations and Knowing Your Body Measurements

Learn how to alter your pant pattern for a perfect fit. Ron will explain how to do alterations for flat and low seat, full thighs, large waist, knock knees, bowed legs plus protruding derriere, full and 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 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 pattern. You will have an alteration package to go home with all your pant alterations and personal measurement chart. (Reference booklet and samples to go home with).

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Professional Construction and Couture Finishing Techniques

As a Vogue designer I am always changing and creating new designs along with numerous renditions on my own patterns. Let me show you my first class techniques from the only male Canadian Vogue pattern designer. See flawless machine buttonholes, along with high end shirt techniques for bias and double yokes and how to tame bulky seams. Learn how interfacing and underlining "breaks" or "makes" a jacket, shirt and pants in proper application for knits, woven and stretch woven fabrics. Become the master of techniques, so that your details set your garments apart.

Sat 10:00 am – 11:00 am Marigold Room

Lecture Fee \$10

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Fashion Trunk Show

Ron will show garments from his released Vogue pattern line. He will inspire you on changes with different fabrics, linings, trims and pockets. There will be tips on working with difficult fabrics and stabilizing loosely woven fabrics, preventing knits from stretching out when inserting zippers, perfecting curved pockets, underlining techniques to produce high end results, and cool seam finishes. Great techniques for men's and women's garments.

Sat 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Marigold Room

Lecture Fee \$10

Anatomy of a Pair of Pants

Come and get some great pant and jean construction know how. See techniques on wrinkle-free underlining, taming pants hems, "Petersham" bulk free waist facing, gap free hip pockets with front pant stays to prevent the front pockets or pleats from pulling apart to create a smooth, clean, silhouette giving the appearance of a flatter front. Along with top notch pointers for jeans including using heavy top-stitching thread, applying belt loops, rivets, interfacing and more. Come and be inspired.

Sat 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Marigold Room

Lecture Fee \$10

Yvette Chilcott



Yvette Chilcott learned sewing from her mother, who was a trained pattern maker and very skilled with a sewing machine. Yvette started, ran and grew a successful sewing machine retail store where classes formed the backbone of the business. After selling her store, she now creatively sews, blogs, writes sewing tutorials and free-lance teaches.

Serge a Stylish Tee in One Hour or Less.

Watch Yvette use a serger to complete a slightly modified Jalie 3352 Dolman Tee

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Fri 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Snapdragon Room

Sat 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Snapdragon Room

Lecture Fee \$10

One Tee-shirt Pattern, Many Looks

Begin with Jalie's 2805 Basic Tee pattern and modify it 3 ways.

Thurs 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm Snapdragon Room

Fri 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm Snapdragon Room

Sat 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Snapdragon Room

Lecture Fee \$10

Fall 2019 Fashion Fabric Know How

Updated with current fabrics, this popular class will make choosing the right fabric for THAT pattern less stressful.

Thurs 10:00 am – 10:45 am Sew News Stage

Fri 1:30 pm – 2:15 pm Sew News Stage

Sat 11:30 am – 12:15 pm Sew News Stage

Included with your admission!

