Making Openings in Your Quilts – Supply List (12 hrs.)

Students are provided with a complimentary teaching pattern (Star Pattern with opening in center).

<u>Sewing machine is required</u> (one capable of machine blindstitch ---^--) Sewing machine foot—please bring an **open-toe appliqué foot** if you have one!

Fabrics—100% cotton fabrics. Batiks and multicolored hand-dyed fabrics. Bring a variety of favorite fabrics and include all colors in at least three values (light, medium and deep dark (not black) with a noticeable color contrast from a distance of approx.10 ft.) Be aware that all prints "read" as a medium value... and too many prints positioned together are busy, so also bring fabrics that "read" plain but aren't a completely solid color. With this technique, you do not need fabric in large amounts—½ or ¼ yards, large scraps or fat quarters will do for piecing the quilt top. Bring larger amounts of fabric that will be suitable for the backing and also for the whole-cloth facing. The amounts needed depend on the finished size of the projects you make...about a yard or so of each (backing, facing) should be fine.

<u>Stabilizer</u>—3 to 4 yards of Pellon **sew-in** regular lightweight or mid-weight stabilizer ...(Vilene stabilizer... outside of the USA) – **Do not bring interfacing (too flimsy) or choose a product that is fusible or tear-away.** If the stabilizer does <u>not shrivel</u> when pressed with an iron on cotton setting, it is OK to bring.

Freezer paper 2 or 3 yards

Stitch Witchery (By Dritz) on a roll (5/8") This product is known as "hemming tape" outside of the USA

Needles (for sewing machine) use regular 80/12 or 70/10 for piecing

Wonder Under (or Stitch Witchery sold buy the yard) ½ yard (For improvisational openings)

Batting— one yard

Scissors- paper and fabric

Flex curve (if you have one)

Steam iron and ironing mat or board

Spray bottle for water

Straight pins (sharp!)

Fabric marking pencil

Threads -bring a variety...for matching or blending the fabrics.

Bobbin wound with gray thread

Wax paper or tissue paper (small amount...tear off a sheet 5" or 6" or so) Don't worry if you don't have this.

Small terry cloth hand towel

Eraser, pencils, ruler, notebook

Agua Mesh soluble stabilizer..... if you have it (For making latticework for holes)

Decorative threads and yarns....(For latticework)