

Making Openings in Your Quilts (6 hrs.)

Learn Vikki's unique and innovative approach for creating quilts with smoothly finished open holes. Class instruction includes her basic curves method, incorporating the opening, layering the quilt sandwich, creating latticework to insert in the opening and finishing techniques.

Supply list:

Students are provided with a complimentary teaching pattern.

Sewing machine is required (one capable of machine blindstitch ---^---^---^)
Sewing machine feet—please bring an **open-toe applique foot** and darning foot.

Fabrics--100% cotton fabrics. Batiks and multi-colored hand-dyed fabrics. Bring a variety of favorite fabrics and include colors in at least three values (light, medium and dark with a noticeable color contrast from a distance of approx.10 ft.) Choose colors that are vivid and bright, as well as some that are pastel (pale), shades (dark) tones (grayed) and the deepest dark colors. With this technique, you do not need fabric in large amounts—½ or ¼ yards, scraps or fat quarters will do.

Stabilizer—two yards of Pellon regular lightweight or mid-weight stabilizer (*not iron-on or tear-away*)

Freezer paper 1 yard

Stitch Witchery (By Dritz) on a roll (5/8")

Needles (for sewing machine) use regular 80/12 for piecing, 90/12 topstitch for latticework.

Regular sewing needle

Batting—A piece approx 2 ft. x 2 ft.

Scissors- paper and fabric

Flex curve (if you have one)

Extension cord (and an adapter, if necessary)

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 (sheet approx. 1/2 yrd)

Scotch tape, eraser, pencils, ruler, notebook

For latticework: Aqua Mesh water-soluble stabilizer... if you have it (I will have some available for sale). Decorative threads and yarns in lengths of 18" or so. Bring some wool roving if you have some.