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Exploring Applique Workshop

Instructor: Shannon Brinkley

Class Description:

Appliqué need not be tedious, confusing, or monotonous. Explore several creative appliqué finishing options, including my Faux-Needle turn technique, no-fray raw-edge appliqué, finishing appliqué edges with hand or machine embroidery, and my fun "Peek-a-boo" Reverse appliqué method.



The class is broken into 2 parts: Learn & Explore. In part one, we will *learn* about and practice lots of different finishing options, and in part 2, students will choose their favorite options and *explore* mixing/matching techniques to make a pattern of their choice.

Class Supply List

-**One Applique Pattern** (any of Shannon's patterns or her book will work: available at shannon-brinkley.com/shop or from Shannon on the day of the workshop). Feel free to draw or bring your own if you'd prefer.

-**2 fat quarters** that contrast one another (these will be used in the *Learn* section of the class)

-**2 more fat quarters** that contrast one another that you'd like to use with the applique template you chose (these will be used in the *Explore* section of the class)

-**Thread** that coordinates with each fat quarter

-A large **teflon sheet or parchment paper**

-8" x 8" piece of lightweight fusible interfacing OR muslin/lightweight scrap fabric

-**2 yards fusible web** (I recommend Mistyfuse with a teflon sheet or parchment paper)

-**1 yd tear away stabilizer** (I recommend Sulky Totally Stable)

-a small **spool of yarn** that coordinates with your fabric (worsted, aran, sport, or DK weight ideal-- these are about 2-4mm in diameter). Shannon will have some extra yarn in class if you'd prefer to just use some of hers.

-**4-8 scraps** all in the same/similar color (choose fabrics that coordinate with the fat quarters you'll use in the *learn* section; scraps should be at least 2" x 2")

Other Supplies:

-iron

-pressing surface (an old towel works)

-fabric scissors

-rotary cutter + ruler + mat (not needed if you do the materials prep)

-straight pins

-a pencil or sharpie

-chalk or other disappearing marking tool

-sewing machine + bring all the feet that go with your sewing machine

Classroom Preparation

Each student needs their own sewing machine. Set up common cutting and pressing stations. Students will need a little over a yard of table top space to themselves.

Materials Preparation (optional)

Cut the 2 fat quarters you'll be using in the *learn* section of class into as many 6" squares as you can.