

Di-Versity Quilting Supplies Spring 2019

Sometimes our plans do not work out to our advantage. This year we decided to go to the southern hemisphere for the month of January to miss the worst of the winter weather. It is a cruel and unappreciated joke that winter waited until we arrived home before it let loose. BUT, pristine white snow does have a certain appeal after the 47 degree C temperatures we experienced in places. You can never predict mother nature.

The 2018 December challenges were great. Winners of the viewer voting were Sandy Wolff and Ellen DeBruyn. Congratulations to all who entered for producing fun, original quilts.

2019 Challenge Theme - "Ocean Connection" 16" by 24"

Quilts may be traditional or art techniques and are due in the store by December 1.

Think traditional blocks like "ocean waves" or water, the colour blue, fish, turtles, boats, pollution, kelp, coral reefs, diving, beach, ship wrecks, ice bergs, etc.

New Fabrics

There are many new fabrics coming in the next few months. Some batiks have already arrived, with several shipments still to come. The first of Jinny Beyer's Aruba line is also in, together with the new Kaffe Fasset designs. New basic lines have been ordered, and Paula Nadelstern's fabric should be here by the start of May. Our selection of wide backs has expanded greatly -- everything from traditional designs to wild and colourful.

Fabric Promotions

Each month we showcase a different fabric collection for 1 week. The promotional fabric will be discounted, free pattern handouts, and help will be available to show how best to use the fabrics.

March 18-23 Kaffe Fasset

April 23-27 Background selections and PatternWorkz Design Studio Patterns

May 21-25 Jinny Beyer

June 17-22 Paula Nadelstern

July 22-27 Batiks

Saskatchewan Stitches Conference

The class lists for the Saskatchewan Stitches Conference, Muenster, May 30 to June 8, are in the store. If you are interested come by and collect the information. Classes and accommodation are at St. Peters Abbey, and this has become my favourite quilt destination.

SPECIAL EVENT

Kellie, from Silly Moon Quilting Company will be in the store on Saturday, June 8th to demo the quilting rulers and templates her company makes for use in machine quilting.

These are British Columbia products.

The products will also be available to purchase. Demonstrations will take place throughout the day. Please phone the store and leave your name if you will be attending: 250-577-3494.

WHEN SHOPPING AT DI-VERSITY, THE MONTE CREEK WINERY IS ONLY 10 MINUTES AWAY AND IS OPEN DAILY. THE PATIO WILL BE OPEN FOR LUNCH STARTING IN MAY - WEATHER PERMITTING.

NEW

Plans are under way for a Kaffe Fassett Club. This is for those who tend to be free spirits and love colour. If perfectly matching is your comfort zone, this is not for you. Meetings will be every 2 months and will include designer exercises, colourwork, techniques, and a few stories. You will not need to bring your machine. The first meeting will be Thursday, March 28th, 10 am to 2 pm. \$20.00 + GST each meeting. Bring a lunch. Phone to register if you plan to come. 250-577-3494.

SPRING CLASSES

Unless otherwise stated, all classes start at 9:30 am and end at 3:30 pm. Bring a bag lunch - coffee will be provided.

Payment is required to reserve your space in class. To register you must phone, or come into the store.



March 13, Wednesday,
RADIATING BORDERS

Quilters are spending more time and effort creating borders to enhance their quilts. This border is great for smaller projects, and is specially suitable around pre-printed panels. \$45.00 + GST.



March 14, Thursday ECHO

This is a simple pieced quilt suitable for a beginner quilter and up. It is best scrappy, but can also be more organized. \$55.00 + GST includes pattern by PatternWorkz Design Studio.



March 22, Friday SHADED BORDER

Back by popular demand. Using a small (up to 24 inch) preprinted panel or orphan block, learn how to draft and sew this very showy shaded border. Once you know how, it can be used on any size quilt. \$45.00 + GST.

March 23, Saturday

SPECIAL HELP DAY FOR QUILTERS WITHOUT BORDERS

If you want help with our homework designs from the February Meeting, this is your chance. Drop-in throughout the day!.



March 27, Wednesday TRANQUILITY

A PatchWorkz Design Studio pattern that requires just 3 fabrics and makes a great beginner project. It would also be suitable for that stunning print you have in your stash and haven't been ready to cut up.

\$55.00 + GST includes the pattern



April 10, Wednesday
FASSENATING PINWHEELS

A test of your accuracy. This PatchWorkz Design Studio pattern requires one background and a selection of fabrics in your favourite colour choices for the design.. You will learn how to use a template to mark your first seam so that your design will stay accurate.

\$55.00 + GST includes the pattern



April 11, Thursday,
CITY SCAPE

This small wall quilt is a play on 60 degree tumbling blocks. It is not difficult and requires both piecing and applique. Find a great background, and search through your stash for small print scraps suitable for high rise buildings.

\$45.00 + GST

May 1 & 15. Wednesdays
MARY ELLEN HOPKINS #2

For those who took the first level last year, this is your chance to add triangles to your designs. Samples and handouts as for #1, but more time to sew.

\$80.00 + GST



May 23 & June 13 Thursdays

CHRISTMAS TREE SKIRT

This can also be adapted to a table cloth. Paula Nadelstern has reprinted (different colourway) the fabric used in this project, so it is back as a class which includes a variety of techniques. Not a fast project!

\$80.00 + GST

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