

Around the Garden

One of my favorite pastimes is walking through flowering gardens. They are a delight to sight, smell and sound. The bursts of color, the aroma of rich soil, flowering plants, and the soft flutter of pollinating insects are the inspiration for this project. As you appliqué each piece, think of spring and the beauty of nature. We will cover several different methods of appliqué in this workshop including needleturn and the "Templar and Sizing" technique. You will learn how to achieve perfect circles, smooth curves and sharp points. In addition to all of the beautiful flowers we will make dimensional insects, a yellow jacket and a dragonfly. We will also be doing some painting. This 23 1/2" x 58" project is a fantastic addition to any room or an exceptional gift for that special someone. In addition, during this workshop we will take a break from sewing to do some designing.

Pattern plus fee: \$18.00

Fabric

1 1/2 yards background fabric for sky (area behind flowers) and inner border
2 yards for overlay, (area around circles) border and binding
Scraps of greens for leaves and stems
Scraps of browns for stems and vines
Scraps of purple for clematis and baby blue eyes flowers
Scraps of pinks for Persian shield leaves, tulips and dogwoods
Scraps of yellow for button mums and butterfly
Scraps of blue for morning glory flowers
Scraps of orange for circles on chokeberry plant
Scraps of white or off-white for flowers on bunchberry and petals on cineraria
4-6" squares of sheer, organza-like fabric or ribbon for wings
2-6" squares of medium to light weight fusible web

Supplies

Perfect Circles™ (available for purchase in class at discounted price)
Thread for appliqué
Scissors for fabric and paper
4" embroidery hoop
Washout fabric markers
Pins or water soluble glue to hold appliqué in place
Thread for dragonfly wings-some options are rayon, metallic, fine cotton, or Polyester
6" of 7/8" wide ribbon for morning glory buds (blue)
2" of 7/8" wide ribbon for pod of morning glory bud (green)

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Metallic silver thread for spider web
Small amount of quilting thread or other heavy thread for gathering
Embroidery floss in greens and browns for stems and vines
Embroidery floss for center of Clematis (yellow)
Pigma markers in brown, red and black
Beads for centers of flowers
Black seed beads for the eyes of the yellow jacket
Freezer paper-tear a 25" section from the roll
Sandpaper or sandpaper board (optional)
Light for hand sewing
Other items will be available for purchase in the classroom during lunch or at the end of the day to include Karen's books and patterns.

Prior to class please cut three 18" x 18" squares from your background fabric, and cut three squares 22" x 22" from your overlay fabric (area outside the circles).