

April 9, 2022 – Dionne Swift

Mini Workshop: Stitched Illustrations: An Introduction to Free Machine Embroidery

Machine embroidery is an extension of your observation and drawing. During this short class you'll learn how to set up your machine as a drawing and mark making tool. You'll discover more about threads and build confidence in your stitch abilities. This is a light-hearted and enjoyable session designed to invigorate your creativity.

Date/Time: April 9, 2022 (1:00 – 4:00 PM)

Location: Class will be held live on Zoom

Mini Workshop Fee: Members: \$30.00 Non-Members: \$45.00

Student Supply List:

Sewing machine with free motion machine embroidery (darning) foot

Paper/sketch book and drawing pencil/s

A suitable embroidery hoop for your machine (I like a wood square hoop bound with cloth strips to help grip my work.)

Muslin, linen or cotton on which to sew – 3 pieces should be good

Bobbin thread - 60wt - 100wt (a finer thread than usual)

Top thread – black or gray, cotton or polyester, 50-wt and 12-wt (i.e. ordinary sewing thread and top stitching thread weights)

Sewing machine needles – top stitching size 90/14

General sewing paraphernalia

Extended Workshop: Fabric Illustrations - Applique and Free Machine Embroidery

Paint with fabric and draw with your sewing machine to create wonderful fabric pictures.

Date/Time: April 10, 2022 (9 AM – 12 PM, 1 pm – 4 pm) and April 11, 2022 (9 AM – 12 PM)

Location: Class will be held live on Zoom

Workshop Fee: Members: \$115.00 Non-Members: \$160.00

Student Supply List:

Sewing machine with free motion machine embroidery (darning) foot and straight stitch foot

Paper/sketch book and drawing pencil/s and an image to work from

A suitable embroidery hoop for your machine (I like a wood square hoop bound with cloth strips to help grip my work.)

Muslin, linen or cotton on which to sew – 3 pieces should be good (2 to use for sampling, the other as a backing for the final piece)

A collection of fine cotton cloth in a range of colors

Fusible web (Wonder Under or similar), .5 to 1 yard

Stitch and tear if you have it on hand or other scrap material to use as stabilizer

Iron and ironing surface

Baking parchment to protect iron and surface

Bobbin thread – 60wt - 100wt (a finer thread than usual)

Top thread in a range of colors, cotton or polyester, 50-wt (i.e. ordinary sewing thread weight)

Sewing machine needles – top stitching size 90/14

General sewing paraphernalia–scissors, etc.