

NeedleNews

Monthly newsletter from Needleworks Fabrics and Classes

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At Needleworks, we strive to provide excellent instruction in our sewing and quilting classes for adults and children. We provide quality fabrics and notions.

We add new classes to our schedule as the interest is shown and the details are available. We are already planning our fall class schedule! We appreciate any suggestions you may have for any of our classes. Just call the store or check out our web site for the latest information.

SWAP & SHOP Sat. June 7 10am-5pm

Our 3rd Annual Swap & Shop is scheduled for June 7. Start sorting and packaging and getting ready to "recycle" your sewing and crafting leftovers. See the web site for more details. Don't forget to come and shop for some super bargains. We'll have lots of fabrics, books, patterns, magazines and other items. Sewing Machines too!

Open 10am-6pm Monday-Saturday

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Preferred Customer discount cards go in the mail every three months. All you need to do is make a few purchases or register for a class or two that total \$300 in three months. We'll send you a discount card that can be used anytime in the store during the next 3 months (class registration excluded). Contact the store or check the web site for more details. Make sure we have your snail mail address.

Treat Yourself Tuesdays: Our regular Tuesday afternoons are being extended for the summer starting June 24. Come between 1-9pm and pay only \$2.50 per hour and sew in our cool air-conditioned classroom! Bring along whatever project you are working on and join us for a chat with a little bit of creativity thrown into the mix. These have become a great time of informal instruction in any sewing or quilting related project. Everyone is welcome....we'll learn from each other and be inspired! Call the store for more details.

*Come, let us teach & inspire
your creative side*

Sewing:

Adult Beginner Sewing: This class is for those who haven't sewn before or who haven't sewn for a long time. This is also a great time to learn how to use your new or new to you sewing machine. Students will make two projects: a tote bag and a pullover top. \$120 Monday, May 26, June 2, 9, 16; 6:30-9:30pm.



T-Shirt: With summer approaching, why not make yourself a wardrobe basic? Choose a simple t-shirt pattern and learn how to make minor adjustments and sew with knits on your sewing machine and/or serger. \$60. Wednesday, June 4 & 11; 6:30-9:30pm



Bra-Making 101: Let Jane help you to fit and sew a professionally made bra that fits you perfectly. On day 2, Learn how to add designer details to your second bra. The cost includes kits for both bras. \$210, Sat & Sun, June 14 & 15; 9am-5pm. You will be required to come Friday evening for a pre-class fitting.



We have a certified Palmer Pletsch Instructor who teaches the following classes. Cindy will give you lots of tips and ideas for beautifully constructed garments.

- **Perfect Fit Blouse:** Learn how to alter the bust darts or seams on a blouse so that you *will* want to wear it and make it again.
- **Classic Skirt:** Learn how to fit and sew a lined skirt with a full waistband and zipper.
- **20 Designer Tips:** Learn from a Palmer Pletsch instructor as she presents these tips that will change our sewing dramatically for a more professional look to all your sewing projects.

Fun:

Free Motion Thread Painting: Drop your feed dogs and get in touch with your artistic side in this 2-part Free Motion Thread Painting Class. Learn all about the techniques and tools you'll use and "paint" a small flower on your regular sewing machine. Thread and Fabric Kit included. Monday, June 9 & 16; 1-4pm



Fat Quarters to Fun Bags: Make fun & interesting bags or small totes using just 4-6 Fat Quarters. These can match, coordinate or be random crazy patches, what ever you want. We will explore the fun of FQ. \$85 includes fabric and threads. Thurs. June 5 & 12; 6:30-9:30pm

Join the Sack Club! Needleworks is going green and invites you to join us and make your own fabric shopping sacks. These simple bags can be rolled up and stored in your purse or car and pulled out when you need them. \$40 (kit included) Thurs. June 19; 6:30-9:30pm.....Get \$1 off when you use your sack at Needleworks (minimum \$10 purchase).

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Postcard Fun Spend an evening exploring the fun of sewing postcards. Learn how to turn your favorite scraps and embellishments into little pieces of art, ready to be mailed or framed. Get to know some basic design principles to make your composition a success. In other words, LEARN HOW TO PLAY! \$40 (kit included) Wed. July 9; 6:30-9:30pm

Calgary's only source for the full line of KWIK SEW patterns

Quilting:

We offer 2 beginner quilting classes. These classes are designed to teach you the basics of quilt making. Learn how to use rotary cutters, sew with accurate seam allowances, layer, quilt and stitch binding to the quilts. Each class is 5 lessons long. The first is a bit easier, you make the same block over and over. The 2nd class teaches a few more techniques.

- **1-2-3 Quilting:** Chose from 3 different quilt designs in 3 different sizes.



- **Quilter's Primer:** This class is a 6-block sampler where, you will learn how to make triangles, measure and add sashing and borders.



Free Motion Quilting—Beginner: This class will have you creating beautiful quilting stitches in no time. Use a practice quilt to learn and master some beautiful fill stitches for your next quilt. Students will also learn how to use templates and explore stitching on the line. \$60 Wed, June 18 & 25; 6:30-9:30pm



Free Motion Quilting—Feathers: Learn how to create beautiful feathers that fly. Students will learn 3 methods of stitching feathers in this great no-mark technique. Tues, May 27; 6:30-9:30pm



Serqing:

Beginner Serger: This class is for those who know very little about their sergers. Paced so that you can learn to use your serger properly and with confidence, the instructor will teach you many time saving tips and tricks to enable you to get the most out of your serger. You will make three practical projects to show off your new skills as well making samples for a sample book. \$90. Tuesday, June 3, 10, 17; 6:30-9:30pm

Needleworks Class Registration Policies

Full Payment is required at the time of registration. - GST is added to the cost of all classes. A supply list will be given at time of registration. - Please confirm class is running before purchasing class supplies. - Students are encouraged to purchase their class supplies at Needleworks. This helps us to offer classes at reasonable rates. - Students purchasing their supplies at Needleworks will receive 10% off their purchases. - Full details of registration policy can be found on the website. www.needleworks.org

Our goal at Needleworks is to teach your child to sew with confidence and inspire their creativity.

KidSew[®] Program

We are excited about our sewing program at Needleworks. We offer a variety of classes for children who want to learn to sew and quilt.

We are pleased to offer a sewing certificate for our school age sewers. Children can work towards sewing certificates in a variety of different projects. Contact the store for more details.

For children who don't want to participate in the certificate program, they are also welcome to come and chose their own projects (with instructor approval)

Class Registration is \$50 for 6 hours of instruction. Weekdays, the registration is on-going and students are asked to register for a minimum of 4 (1 1/2 hour) lessons at a time. Saturdays, we have picked 3 dates per month, each 2 hour lessons. .

Classes are offered

- Monday 4:30-6pm
- Tuesday 4:30-6pm
- Wednesday: 4:30-6pm (Junior High)
- Thursday: 9-11am, 4-5:30 or 5:30-7pm
- Friday : 9-10:30am, 10:30am-noon, or 1-2:30pm
- Saturday: Chose any 3 hour slot on May 31. 9am-noon, 1-4pm \$25 each

KidSew Summer Camps

Spend a week at Needleworks and create something special.

- **Pre-KidSew Camps** are for new and younger sewers who want to try sewing without a long or big time commitment. We have 2 camps planned with choice of a number of simple sewing projects. We expect that these classes will be a hit with the younger sewers. \$60 includes project supplies. Wed-Fri, July 2-4; 10am-noon or Mon-Wed, July 21-23; 10am-noon.
- **Sew Camp:** Skirt/T-shirt/Vest: Sew yourself something special to wear. Make one of more of the items in the pattern envelope. No previous sewing experience is required. \$130 plus supplies. Mon-Fri, July 7-11; 9-noon
- **Open Sew Camp** Children will be allowed to work on any sewing project of their choice. The children need to be prepared for their project with all supplies. \$130 plus supplies. Mon-Fri, July 14-18; 9-noon
- **1-2-3 Quilt Camp** Chose from 3 quilts and learn how to use rotary cutters, sew accurate seam allowances, and finish the quilt with machine tacking. \$130 plus supplies. Mon-Fri, Aug 11-15; 9-noon
- **Open Quilt Camp.** Experienced sewers/quilters can work on a project of their choice. \$130 plus supplies. Mon-Fri, August 18-22; 9-noon
- **Hand Dyed Flower Garden:** The children will design their own floral wall hanging, mix the dyes and dye their fabric, machine appliqué, quilt and bind their quilts. This class is designed for those who have sewing experience at Needleworks. \$160 includes supplies. Tues-Fri, August 5-8; 9-noon

We are excited about our plans for the summer. We are trying to keep instruction costs as low as possible and would therefore appreciate all supplies being purchased at Needleworks.