

NeedleNews

Monthly newsletter from Needleworks Fabrics and Classes

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Winter Sale

January 22—31

*To beat the winter doldrums, all our fabrics are on sale. The more you purchase, the more you save. Purchase 1 meter of fabric and pay regular price. 2 meters of fabric and get **15% off**, 3 meters - **20% off**, 4 meters **25%**, 5 meters **30% off** and anything over 6 meters is **35% off!** The discount applies to the total of meters purchased....so you can get a bit of this and a bit of that.*

Inform: Alberta Handicrafts Guild has a rich heritage in Calgary. There are four working groups (Quilters, Needleworkers, Rug Hookers and Weavers). They meet weekday mornings in the South West of Calgary. There has long been some interest in having an evening group for those who don't have their mornings free. Needleworks is pleased to be able to provide a place for an evening group to meet. They will have their first meeting on Thursday, February 1 at 6pm. Anyone who is interested is welcome to join the group. Call the store for more information and we'll give you a contact name and phone number.

Excite: Monthly Projects: From February 1-7, projects kit will be available for sale. Show us the completed project before the 1st of March and receive a coupon for 30% off the next month's project. The project kits will be as complete as we can make them, so that all you need to do is go home and sew! Our goal is to encourage you to try something new, learn a new technique, and fully complete projects that would be

ideal for gift giving or keeping for yourself. Each month the quilters will work on a table runner and the sewers will work on a bag or container of some sort. The samples are done and on display. Pre-registering will help us make up enough kits.

Educate: Our Classes are listed in the following categories to help you find them easier. Classes are designed for individual instruction so that anyone should be able to take almost any class we offer. A full listing of all classes in our schedule can be found on our web page. www.needleworks.org

- **Sewing:** classes for beginners and more advanced sewers wanting to make clothes for themselves and their family.
- **Fun:** classes for projects other than clothing.
- **Sergering:** classes to teach and encourage you to make the most of your serger.
- **Quilting:** all levels and types of quilting classes
- **Kids:** sewing and quilting classes designed for children 7-14 years old. Older children are encouraged to participate in the adult classes.

Come let us teach and inspire your creative side.

You will notice that some of our classes do not have dates schedule (TBA). If you are interested in one of these classes, give us a call and help us to schedule it at your convenience.

Sewing:

Open Classroom: Come in any time and rent table space to work on your own projects. Only \$5 per hour or get some help or instruction from our staff for only \$10 per hour. Please call ahead for either so that we can make sure there is table space available for you.

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 purchasing their supplies at Needleworks will receive 10% off their purchases.
- * Full details of the registration policy can be found on the website. www.needleworks.org

Adult Learn to Sew: This beginner 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. \$90 TBA

Sensational Shirts: Chose a shirt pattern and fabric and we'll help you to fit the pattern and sew the shirt. This class will focus on collars, cuffs and buttonholes. \$90 Mon. Feb 12, 26, March 5, 12; 6:30-9:30pm

Pants: Draft your own pant pattern. This class will teach you how to measure accurately and draft for a well fitting pair of pants. We have increased the time so that students can sew their pants in class. \$105 Tues. Feb 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20; 6-9pm

Vests: A vest is a wardrobe basic. You can dress up an outfit or make it as casual as you want. This class will focus on vest construction for a lined or reversible vest while we give you lots of ideas for personalizing it. \$45 Tues. Jan 23 & 30; 1-4pm

Sewing for your Children: Work on a project for your child and learn some great tips and tricks. \$65 Thurs March 8, 15, 22; 6-9pm

Simple Gore Skirt: Learn how to turn a simple straight skirt into a beautiful multi-gored skirt. \$45 Tues Feb. 20 & 28, 1-4pm

Fun

Rough Edge Jacket: Shirley will guide and inspire you to stitch appliques freely onto a jacket or vest. This all-day class will challenge and inspire you to create more! \$45. Sat. Feb 24; 11am-5pm

Hand Dyed Fabric I: Explore the fun of dyeing your own fabric. This introductory class is a great time to learn some basics and explore some simple colour theory. Students will dye 13FQ of fabric. \$90 (includes all supplies) Fri. Jan 26; 6-8:30pm

Hand Dyed Fabric II: Continue playing with colour. Learn how to dye colour and value gradations. Student will dye 13 FQ of fabric. \$90 (includes all supplies) Fri. Feb 23; 6-8:30pm

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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. \$65 3 lessons Mon Feb. 5, 12, 26; 1-4pm

Serger Fleece Jacket: Learn how to flatlock stitch and sew a zippered jacket almost completely on your serger. Pattern included. \$65 Mon Mar 19, 26, April 2; 6:30-9:30pm

Sweatshirt or T-Shirt: Learn how easy it is to stitch a sweatshirt or t-shirt with a serger and your sewing machine. Students will also learn about sewing with twin needles on their sewing machine and cover hem stitches on a serger. \$45 Wed Feb. 21 & 28; 6:30-9:30pm.

We offer a variety of other serger classes. They are all listed on the web page and when we have interest in one of them, we'll plug it into the schedule. Let us know what you are interested in.

Quilting:

1-2-3 Quilts: A beginner quilting class that will take you from the very beginning to the very end of a quilt. Chose from 3 different quilts, chose from 3 different sizes, learn 3 very important techniques. \$90

- Mon. Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb 5; 1-4pm or
- Tuesday, January 23, 30, Feb 6, 13; 6-9pm

Free Motion Quilting: 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 master marking the quilt. \$45

- Sat. Feb 3 & 10; 1:30-4:30pm or
- Tues, February 6 & 13; 1:30-4:30pm

Hours of Operation
Mon —Sat: 10am-6pm

Sewing Plus

Let Hermina help you, inspire you and motivate you to sew something that will fit you and look good on you! The following is a list of some of the classes that Hermina teaches specifically for plus size sewers. The dates are fairly flexible and she'll help you with any project at any time.

- **Plus Jacket:** Everyone needs a basic, simple jacket. Learn about proper length and proportion as you sew this wardrobe basic. \$65 Wed. Feb 7, 14, 21, 6:30-9:30pm
- **Plus Jean Jacket:** You thought Jean Jackets were only for stampede? Come join us and make a jean jacket out of fancy fabrics and embellishments. \$65 Wed. Feb 7, 14, 21; 6:30-9:30
- **Plus Top:** A classic shell or top that fits you makes the difference between a so-so outfit and one that is WOW! \$45 Wed Feb 28 & March 7, ; 6:30-9:30pm
- **Plus Skirt:** Learn how to prevent that "too much in the front and not enough in the back" syndrome. A well fitting and well constructed skirt will look great! \$45 TBA
- **Plus Pants:** We'll show you how to make a basic pant to fit your body shape. No more sags or pulls. \$65. Wed. March 14, 21, 28; 6:30-9:30pm
- **Plus Dress:** Dresses are hard to fit & find, so come adjust a basic dress pattern that will give you that good fit for a great summer essential. \$90 Wed. April 4, 11, 18, 25; 6:30-9:30pm
- **Plus Fleece:** Fleece is the best fabric. Learn how to fit and sew something cozy and fashionable. Fast and easy and made to fit you right. TBA
- **Wardrobe Planning:** A combination of discussion and lecture on planning a wardrobe to suit your body and lifestyle. The class will discuss choosing patterns, fabrics, colours, styles and fit for all body types. \$25

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Free Motion Quilting—Feathers: Learn how to create beautiful feathers that fly. Students will learn 3 methods of stitching feathers. \$25 TBA

Lone Star: Learn how easy it is to draft and stitch this favorite quilt. No two quilts will be the same! In the first class, students will design their quilt and calculate their fabric supplies. In the 2nd and 3rd class, the students will sew their stars and background pieces. \$65 Thurs. Feb 1, 8, 15; 6-9pm

9-Patch Jacket: Play with simple 9-patch blocks and create a stunning jacket to highlight a favourite fabric. \$75 Thurs Feb 22, March 29, April 19; 6-9pm

Kids Sewing Classes

We are pleased to introduce a sewing certificate for our younger sewers. Children can work towards sewing certificates in a variety of different projects. Students work at their own pace on a selection of projects. See the website for more information. www.needleworks.org

Kids Sew After School: Register for 4 - 1½ hour lessons. \$45. Registration is on-going for 4 consecutive weeks. Mondays or Wednesdays. 4:30-6:00pm

Kids Saturday Sew: Register for 3 - 2 hour lessons. \$45.

- February 3, 10, 24; 9-11am or 11am-1pm
- March 10, 17, 24; 9-11am or 11am-1pm
- April 14, 21, 28; 9-11am or 11am-1pm

Home School Classes: Needleworks is proud to offer sewing classes for home schooled children on Friday mornings. Register for 4 - 1½ hour lessons. \$45 Check out the web page for full details. www.needleworks.org

- 11 years and older: 9-10:30am
- 7-10 years old: 10:45am—12:15pm

