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COMING SOON!

Des Moines, Iowa Gammill Retreat September 26-29, 2021

Featuring computerized and hand-guided longarm classes. Additional classes and educators may be added. Class registration to begin the July 13. A registration link will be emailed and posted at Gammill.com/Retreats.

Computerized Quilting Classes

Oh No! Now What - 90 minutes (All)

Educator: Page Johnson

While quilting for customers brings the realization that "Not all Quilts Are Created Equal". Some common issues and maybe some you never thought of. Learn to handle difficult quilts; either it come with issues or they occurred during the quilting process. Wonky quilts, wavy borders, getting back on track after removing a large area of stitching in the middle of an Edge to Edge (Statler), holes and open seams, volcano intersection and many more everyday problems. Join Page as she shares some recent "OH NO" moments in her quilting life along with the solutions. A PowerPoint® presentation of pictures and videos showing the before, "the FIX" and the after.

Echoes - 90 minutes (Confident Beginner)

Educator: Page Johnson

CreativeStudio® is more powerful than imagined. Learn the techniques of inside and outside echo, but more importantly where and why to use it. Create a new version of an old design. See how a simple echo can turn a basic border design into a Celtic style design. A PowerPoint® with examples of Echoes on quilts will open the possibilities. Learn some hints and tricks to make sure the echo works for the design being used

Draw, Design, and Alter Patterns - 90 minutes(Confident Beginner)

Educator: Page Johnson

In this class you will create new designs by altering patterns you already own or by drawing a

new one. When you are comfortable with the features of Creative Studio you will never fret about finding a pattern that “fits” again. Class will cover Import Image, Nodes and all the Draw features. Students will be given a Project with exercises to alter an E2E pattern, alter a P2P to fit a space and to create a custom design from a clip art image. Never settle for “What you have” find out how to “Get what you want”.

Marvelous Medallions - 90 Minutes (Advanced)

Educator: Page Johnson

In this advanced class you will learn to use many of the features available in CreativeStudio to create a custom centerpiece medallion for that special quilt. We will use Apply, Circular Array, Echo, and Fill along with the patterns that you already have to create something entirely new that can be used at the focal point of your quilt.

Impressive Borders from Triangle Patterns - 90 minutes (Confident Beginner)

Educator: Page Johnson

In CreativeStudio “Triangle” patterns make impressive borders. Secondary design elements are created between the Triangles turning the corner with “Grace and Style”. The trick is fitting the patterns into a unique size border. Different border lengths and widths are no problem once you know the technique for setting the patterns into a boundary. Students will design several sizes of borders during the class and go home with the ability to make the next border exactly what they want.

Sashes (Hands on CS7 SAM) - 90 minutes (Confident Beginner)

Educator: Page Johnson

Sashing provides a “picture” frame for the blocks. Sashing creates both a separation and a unity between blocks and helps to develop an overall composition for the quilt. They help move the eye across and around the quilt by extending the designs within the blocks out to the borders. Sashings can often be combined with the cornerstone pattern to stitch out as a single design. Make them simple, make them elaborate but plan to make them easy. Students will need a laptop and will receive detailed notes, exercises, and a project with imported images, patterns and boundaries.

Creative Background Fill - 90 minutes (Intermediate to Advanced)

Educator: Georgia Stull

Statler

Sometimes you just have to get creative when it's time to do background fill. This class explores several different techniques that can make background fill easier and more effective.

CreativeStudio Toolbox - 90 minutes (All)

Educator: Georgia Stull

Elevate or Statler

You've got patterns! Let's discover what you can do with those patterns using the powerful tools within CreativeStudio. Fantastic features such as Echo, Circular Array, Apply, Order Join and Nodes will soon make you a master of custom quilting! Join me as I open the Toolbox and de-mystify the tools within.

A Continuous Line: Edge to Edge - 90 minutes (Beginner and Intermediate)

Educator: Georgia Stull

Statler

Edge to edge quilting is always said to be our bread and butter so now is the time to learn everything you need to know to make it an easy job. There are lots of tips and tricks to help you make

your E2E quilting special and get it off the frame quickly! And, just in case, I will discuss recovery methods when things don't go quite as planned. This class will help you take your E2E skills to the top!

Classes for All Quilters (Computerized and Hand Guided)

You've Got This! - 90 minutes (All)

Educator: Georgia Stull

Do you want to start a quilting business? How do you establish a quilting business/ What does it take to grow your quilting business/ This class gives specific information about what it will take to start establish and grow your quilting business. Join me so you can run your business purposefully and profitably!

Dimensions of Design - 90 minutes (Beginner and Intermediate)

Educator: Georgia Stull

Every quilt deserves more than "anything will work!" This class discusses important elements to consider when choosing an appropriate design for a quilt. TO provide practical application, a variety of quilt tops will be used to "walk-through" the process. No need to dread creating a quilting design plan ever again!

Set Yourself Up for Success - 90 minutes (Beginner and Intermediate)

Educator: Georgia Stull

I have been quilting for more than a decade (thousands of quilts) and so do I wish someone had told me ways to help get the job done well and do it easier and faster. Learn from my real-life experiences! Join me as I share quilting tips, tools and tricks that will help you improve your quilting experience from start to finish.

Hand-Guided Focused Classes

Doodling is Key - 90 minutes (All)

Educator: Sherilyn Mortensen

Doodling is key when wanting to free-motion quilt beautiful and intricate designs. Daily doodling helps establish important muscle memory and aid in your free-motion quilting skills that will turn your quilt from pretty to jaw-dropping gorgeous!

Collage Quilting- 90 minutes (All)

Educator: Sherilyn Mortensen

Fill your wide open spaces with one amazing quilting collage. Learn to combine as many design elements as desired, by stitching from one design to another and creating a beautiful motif made up of your favorite quilting designs.

Piece-n-Quilt Part 1 and 2 - 180 minutes (Intermediate/Advanced)

Educator: Sherilyn Mortensen

Create and complete your own masterpiece! After piecing this easy, four block wall-hanging, step by step instructions on how to quilt it and bind it, using the long-arm, will be given. Quilt it with confidence and satisfaction with designs that are achievable. In the end, you'll leave with a wonderful feeling of accomplishment that only a finished quilt can provide!

Ruler's Rule - 90 minutes (All)

Educator: Sherilyn Mortensen

Bring your quilting to life with rulers! Learn to stitch in the ditch, echo, cross-hatch and checker board, along with many other quilting ruler designs! And, if you think a straight line is boring, this class will demonstrate just how beautiful and powerful they really are!

Dancing Daisies - 90 minutes (Intermediate/Advanced)

Educator: Sherilyn Mortensen

Learn to doodle and quilt one of my most popular free-motion fills with step by step instructions. Your quilt will sing, come to life and stop the show with a beautiful bouquet of Dancing Daisies. Learn to add other design elements to enhance this, already, beautiful design.

Quilt as you go on the Longarm Part 1 and 2 - 180 minutes (All)

Educator: Tia Curtis

Take improvisational piecing to a new level in this In-Person class and learn to use your long arm for more than just quilting quilts tops. Make gloriously scrappy quilts right on your long arm table – no domestic sewing machine required! Join Tia Curtis as she frees you from creative ruts and assists you in devouring your scrap stash. You will make a quilted scrap sample to take home and use as a diving board into the endless possibilities of scrappy quilt making. You will need to bring a gallon sized bag of scrap fabric and scissors.

Welsh Style Borders Part 1 and 2 - 180 Minutes (Intermediate)

Educator: Tia Curtis

Join Tia Curtis as she makes intricate, glorious Welsh Style quilting as easy as pie on the long arm. Tia Curtis will give you a little history on the most beautiful and passionate of all the quilting styles and break down the designs into simple steps for you to elevate any border into an instant show stopper. You will learn to mark your quilt with minimal lines and incorporate some of the best quilting rulers to quilt the bones of several border styles then fill them in with the best Welsh designs. While the quilting looks complicated it is just a matter of taking the proper steps and knowing a couple tricks.

Other Classes

Fabric Painting - 90 minutes (All)

Educator: Tia Curtis

Are you feeling crafty? Do you want to add elements to your quilts that you just can't find or add your own touches that are strictly your own? Or maybe you just need a new skill to add to your quilty tool box? Join Tia as she shows you how to paint fabric with her favorite fabric paints. You can create abstract work or pretty mainstream leaves and flowers. Tia likes to paint fabric then quilt in the details with black thread. She will show you all she knows and you will leave inspired to try more at home. In this class we will be painting with Dye-Na-Flow liquid color, paint brushes and fabric. It will be fun.

Easy Trapunto and Texture - 90 Minutes (All)

Educator: Tia Curtis

Join Tia Curtis for this in person class where she will teach you some very fun and simple techniques that can make your next quilt stand out from the crowd. Tia will teach you traditional trapunto, her own simple trapunto short cut, faux trapunto, stuff work and shadow trapunto. She will also show you how using dense quilting can create definition and interest as well. This is a hands on class. You will work with a kit to get your started on your Trapunto journey. (Required Class Kit)