

Mini Bargello Sunflower Class

Explore the world of colour. Learn how the use of light, medium and dark valued fabrics will create contrast in a quilt. The key to creating movement within the flower is related to the placement of the light, medium and dark valued fabrics within the Bargello.

Working with colour runs and strip sets you will create a Bargello run for the appliqué pieces rather than using just one piece of fabric for the appliqué. The Bargello with its movement and colour placement will give depth and dimension to the sunflower. Learn how to finish off the flower and add detail to each petal by using the technique of free motion zigzag.

The goal of this workshop is to create a stress free and relaxed environment to have fun, learn new techniques and create a gorgeous sunflower. The project may look difficult but it is in fact uncomplicated and easy to create. No need to worry about perfect precision for sewing the Bargello as it's just going to be cut up.

This workshop is suitable for all levels of quilters.

Workshop Features:

- how to determine the value of a colour
- how to create a fabric run
- how to make a simple Bargello
- how to make the applique sunflower as one unit using fusible web
- choosing a background that highlights the flower
- how to do free motion zigzag stitch
- pattern and templates included with class

Bonus Material:

- a second border option
- how to create a woven centre
- option to make a throw pillow rather than a wall hanging

Zoom Class

All classes will be held via Zoom with Quilts by Jen hosting the sessions. An invitation will be sent out to all participants either the day before or day of the event. There will be time between sessions to do homework.

Session 1 - 1 hour

- this session will focus on colour & value, fabric selection and how to create a fabric run for the flower as well as going over the supply list
- a slide presentation with lots of opportunity for discussion and to ask questions
- pre class homework instructions given at this time to be completed for Session 2

Session 2 - 3 hours

- this session will focus on creating the Bargello
- slideshow of step by step instructions with lots of time between steps to work on the Bargello
- instruction on how to create the centre of the flower - 3 options
- discussion of background selection and border options
- discuss quilting options for the background along with thread options

Session 3 - 3 hours

- this session will focus on creating the sunflower
- discuss thread options for stitching down the flower
- slideshow of step by step instructions with lots of time to work on the project
- demo of free motion zigzag for stitching the petals to the quilt