

Watercolor Quilting with Ashley Nickels

Level: All levels

Description:

This is a workshop that truly inspires us to explore our inner painter and our inner quilter! In this dynamic and highly popular class, I share my Watercolor Quilting technique. We will first use paint on fabric to create watercolor-like designs and patterns, and then we will focus on free-motion quilting to create shadows, outline and texture. This class inspires true creative freedom with its multi-media approach, and it also offers a fresh perspective on free-motion quilting. In the second part of the class, I will go into depth with the basics of free-motion quilting using the darning foot, and students will have the opportunity to explore straight lines, curvy lines, and creating background texture using small scale stipple quilting. Students will walk away with many colorful blocks and will have gained so much confidence in their free-motion quilting ability.

Supply List:

Sewing machine

Twelve- 12 inch squares white cotton (I like Kona Natural)

Six- 12 inch squares batting

Fat quarter size scrap fabric (for ironing purposes)

50 Safety pins- Size 1

Thread (I like black 50 weight Aurifil or black Mettler 50 weight)

2-3 small bottles of Jacquard's Dye-Na-Flow- your favorite colors

*Paintbrushes (1 or 2, any size)

*Jar for water (optional)

*Rubber gloves (for cutting off the fingertips to use for free-motion quilting!) or any grippy gloves you prefer for free-motion quilting)

Darning foot for sewing machine (#24 for BERNINA)

Straight-stitch throat plate (optional- bring if you have)

Basic sewing supplies- Scissors or snips

Note: items marked with "*" will not be carried by The Stitchin' Post or the school store.

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