

Spirit Totems – Finishing with Creative Borders

Supply list

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This class is for those who want to explore a variety of creative border treatments for a Spirit Totem quilt. You can just add standard borders to your quilt but for a really unique presentation, creative borders can put the ‘WOW’ factor into your project. In class, I will help you decide what direction you might want to go to add the finishing framework to your quilt and what techniques you will use. Tips on quilting and embellishment will also be offered..

Please be courteous to others by arriving for class with the correct supplies. Contact me at 503-631-8806 or helene.m.knott@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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Thank you, Helene

TOOLS/MATERIALS:

- **Fabric:** As your borders will be unique, it is impossible to predict how many fabrics you will need or how much of each but as a general guide, plan on bringing anywhere from six to a dozen fabrics – Fat Quarters or half yard pieces of each – Choose a variety of colors and textures that coordinate well with your center panel, If you are a scrap collector, this is a great way to use up scraps so bring whatever you have.
- **Thread:** 100% cotton in a variety of colors to match your fabrics.
- **Sewing Machine:** With a quarter inch piecing foot (and a free-motion foot if you intend to add some machine appliqué). Don’t forget your power cord and foot pedal!
- **A pad of ¼” ruled graph paper:** to draft ideas on.
- **Regular Pencil and a good eraser:**
- **Rotary cutter, mat and ruler**
- **Seam ripper**
- **Golden Threads™ Quilter’s Tracing Paper:** some of the options may involve foundation piecing, tracing paper will be necessary for these.
- **Sewing Pins**
- **The Original Class handout from the first class**
- **Batting and backing:** Until you finish your quilt top , you won’t know how much of these you need but unless you plan to make your quilt large, a craft sized batting (36” x 45”) and about 1 ½ yards of backing fabric will probably be sufficient.
- **Blue painter’s tape:** for layering your quilt
- **Safety pins:** several dozen should do