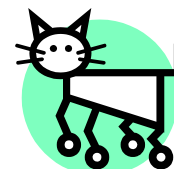


Attic Quilts News

Inspiration and Supplies for Quilters and Knitters



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What's New at Attic Quilts

Another year is over! We are now into quilting weather—cold and snow. It seems like months ago that I attended Quilt Market in Houston. Actually it was only 2 months ago. Some of my purchases have already arrived with the fabrics to follow this winter into spring. The trend from almost every fabric company was a more middle of the road approach to patterns and colors. Pretty florals were quite prevalent as well as the retro look, brights and traditional country colors. Fabrics had a 'fresh' look to them. The one major influence was Asian: patterns, fabrics, and books.

We are fortunate to have Roberta Williams, a well known quilter and teacher in the Milwaukee area coming in May to teach a class. Check the class schedule for details.

Join us for the first annual Hen Party, Quilt Eggstravaganza on January 19, 8-4 at the Prairie View Assisted Living building in Winnebago, IL. It will be a day of classes, demos, lectures and shopping a venter's mall. Check the shop for a flyer and registration form.

New Books and Patterns:

A reoccurring theme at market was Jelly Rolls, Charm Squares and various other cuts of fabric. It seems that every designer has their own size cut of fabric! For now we are sticking with Jelly Rolls, Charm Squares and Fat Quarters. There are many new patterns using all three.

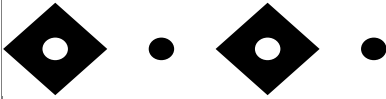
New books of note are: Nine by Nine by Cindi Hershey. She takes one simple block and gives it a modern makeover in 14 quilts. Cutting Garden Quilts by Melinda Bula uses a simple

paint-by-number process to create gorgeous appliqué quilts. Simple Seasons by Kim Diehl contains projects with a seasonal flair including various size quilts, a table runner, and over a dozen recipes. This is really one of the best books out this year! Ricky Tims has a new book: Rhapsody Quilts. These are medallion-style quilts with graceful curves. Ricky helps you design and easily piece curves. Start with one of his designs and then enhance it with your own appliqué or quilting. Altered Photo Artistry by Beth Wheeler and Lori Marquette is a guide to using your computer, printer and sewing machine to make amazing art from ordinary images. This is a fun book to explore!

New Fabrics:

The 2008 Hoffman Challenge Fabric will arrive soon along with other new batiks. We will be

SUPER BOWL SALE FEB. 3, 12-3



adding Shadow Play from Maywood Studios to our lines of basics. This is the fabric that we are using in the 2008 Saturday Sampler blocks. New lines from Kansas Troubles, Nancy Halverson and Jinny Beyer and others will be arriving all Spring.

Don't forget to check our selection of extra wide backs, pre-quilted fabrics, vinyls and plastic screening for bags, etc.

Clubs, Blocks of the Month, etc.

Kansas Troubles Club:

This group will meet the second Thursday of the month starting in February and then meeting in March, May, July, September and November at 6:30 p.m. There will be patterns, fabrics, discounts, recipes, snacks and show and tell. Every month you will pay \$12 for a pattern and 4 fat quarters. The first month you will get a pattern you can use for all the fat quarters for the year. This quilt can be any size you want it

to be. Dues are \$20 for the year.

Mystery Quilt: If you missed the last Debby Caffrey mystery, this is your chance to get the pattern again. You must sign up and select your fabrics. Each month you come in and pick up a new clue. Every time you pick up a clue or purchase fabric for your quilt you are entered in a drawing for a \$75 gift certificate. There are six clues one for each month January-June 2008!

Fat Quarter Club: "Milky Way Quilt". Beginning in February for 8 months, come in and pick up 2 fat quarters to use in this star quilt. You must sign up, choose your color way (there will be several to choose from), purchase your background fabric and the starting kit which includes Thangles and a pattern.

Classes

Cable Scarf Tuesdays January 22 & February 5, 10-1. Learn to knit this traditional Irish pattern from our Irish knitter, Susan Bischel. This is an intermediate class—you must be comfortable knitting and purling. \$25..

Hand Quilting: Saturday January 12, 2008, 10-12. This class is for those of you who have wanted to try quilting by hand or anyone who needs a little refresher. We will cover all the basics beginning with basting, marking, stitching (including "utility" or "big stitch"),

using stencils, quilting with no-knots, "Thimblelady" method and more. This class will be conducted around a traditional floor frame and is limited to 5 students. See you at the Bee! Teacher: Patsy Preiss. \$30 includes a kit.

Machine Quilting : Saturdays February 16, 9-12 and February 23, 10-12. This is two classes in one. You will learn the basics: pinning, marking, straight line quilting, stencils, free motion including ideas, tips and short cuts Teacher: Nancy Johnson. \$30.

Hooked Rug Wednesday, February 13, 6-9 or Wednesday April 23, 6-9.. Use up your stash and make a great rug or two placemats. Teacher: Pat Jacobson. \$25.

Charming Table runner Saturday, January 19, 10-3 Make this table runner using pre-cut charm squares or choose your own fabrics. A great accessory for your home or a gift! Teacher: Shannon McGaw. \$30.

Beginning Knitting: Wednesdays January 16, 23 & 30, 6-8 or March 4, 11 & 18, 6-8. Does cast on, bind off, P1*, M1, K3* repeat from * to end sound a little like Greek? Come to class and learn the basics. Teacher, Pat Jacobson. \$40.

Quilt-making 101: Saturdays, February 2, 9, 16 and March 1 & 8. 1-3. This class will teach you how to plan, cut and piece a lap size sampler quilt. You will add sashing, borders, backing and get it ready to quilt. After you take this class you should be ready for most of the classes we offer here, including Saturday Sampler and Blocks of the Month. If you have wanted to learn to make a quilt, this is your opportunity!. Teacher: Sally \$50

Hand Appliqué. Saturdays, January 12 & 26, 1-3. Learn all the basics of hand appliqué making a small wall quilt or pillow top. Teacher: Patsy Priess. \$30.

Fusible Web Applique: Saturday, February 9, 10-1 Get tips and techniques for using fusible web for appliqué. You will complete a 6" block in class. Price includes a kit. Teacher: Carolyn Simonton. \$30

Lincoln Logs: Saturday March 15, 9-4. This is Nan's new pattern. All you need is one Jelly Roll and one additional fabric to make a 75 x 75" quilt. You will finish the top on one day! Teacher: Nan Johnson. \$35.

Borders, Binding, Backing & Batting. Saturday, April 12, 10-12. This is a lec-

ture/demo with handouts that will teach you techniques and tips that will help you produce really professional quilts.

Teacher: Sally \$15.

Flowers to Fabric: Roberta Williams Class:

Saturdays May 3 & 17, 2-4. Start with a picture of your favorite garden flower, turn it into a pattern and create your own garden quilt from fabric. Roberta will guide you through this easy and fun way to make a wall hanging designed and made by you. In the first class you will turn your picture into a pattern, trace your pattern pieces on fusible webbing and select your fabrics for the flower. At home you will get all your fusing and cutting done. In the second class we will assemble the fabric flower. Teacher: Roberta Williams. \$40.

More!



Wednesday Creative Women;

Every Wednesday morning at 10:00 a group of women meet in our classroom to work on their projects: some knit, some quilt, some make cards, some scrapbook, etc. Come join them with a project you don't seem to get to and find out how quickly you complete it while having a good time! No charge.

Open Knitting:

Thursdays at 1:00 knitters gather in the classroom to knit and chat. This is a great time to get some knitting done and pick up tips from other knitters. No charge.

Dates to Remember:

January 19, 8-4 Quilt EGGstravaganza
Winnebago, IL

February 3—12-3 Super Bowl Sale

April 11, 12, & 13—International Quilt
Festival, Rosemont, IL

April 23-26— Paducah KY Show

July 23-27 South Central WI Quilt Shops
Road Trip



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Monday thru Friday 10:00-5:30

Saturday 10:00-4:00

**OPEN KNITTING
THURSDAYS 1-3**

**SUPER BOWL
SALE
FEBRUARY 3
12-3!!**

**MYSTERY QUILT STARTS
IN JANUARY SIGN UP
FOR A DEBBIE CAFFREY
MYSTERY!**

**DON'T FORGET TO
CHECK OUR SALE ROOM
FOR LOTS OF BARGAINS!**

★ **NEW SATURDAY SAMPLER , MINI** ★
★ **BLOCK SAMPLER** ★
★ **AND** ★
★ **FAT QUARTER CLUB** ★
★ **STARTING IN JANUARY** ★
