

# Designing with Strips and Curves

## Let's Improvise! Supply List



Minimum 15 - 20 1yd cuts of fabrics that you think play well together. There should be some light, some medium and some dark otherwise your quilt will look 'muddy'.

**IT IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO HEAVILY STARCH AND PRESS YOUR FABRIC BEFORE CLASS. PRESS – DON'T IRON! YOU ARE STABILIZING THE FABRIC BEFORE CUTTING.**

When I use spray starch I will spray and PRESS (not iron) 3-4 times. If using yardage I mix StayFlo liquid starch with an equal amount of water. Dip the fabric in until it is wet. Squeeze out the excess starch and toss it in the dryer. Then press. This step will minimize the stretching that occurs on curved/bias edges. This is an important part of the process to achieve successful curved seams.

- The Basic, Basic II and Mini Beg and Borrow template sets will be available for purchase in class. If you already own any of these sets, bring it!
- Sewing machine in good working order – don't forget your manual, electric cord, and pedal!
- If you have a knee lift bring it - it's very helpful
- 1/4" foot is a must (or your favorite way to assure 1/4" seams)
- Basic sewing supplies (scissors, seam ripper, pins, extra machine needles, etc.)
- Fine pins
- Glue pen with a few refills
- Neutral thread and several that coordinate with your fabric choices
- Extra bobbin(s)
- 28mm rotary cutter with new blade – the smaller size cuts curves soooo much better than a 45mm
- Medium size cutting mat. If you have a rotating mat, bring that one. It makes cutting curves much easier.
- 6"x12" and 6"x18" ruler
- Heat resistant template plastic (sheets of Dritz heat resistant template plastic will be available in class for \$4+tax)
- Iron and ironing surface if there is sufficient space and workshop sponsor permits individual irons
- Foam core or flannel covered board to use as a design wall

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