

## **Starting with Silk - A workshop with Julia McLeod**

In this 6 hour workshop you will learn how to use silk fabrics in your quilt-making. We will -

- Identify silk fabrics and distinguish them from those made with other fibers
- Discuss fusible stabilizers and how to use them
- Learn an improvisational crazy-piecing method
- Learn fabric foundation piecing. We will draft our own simple muslin foundations

### **Supply List**

- This class can be completed using about 8 neckties. Other silks from scarves, furnishings and clothing are also suitable. Avoid super sheer silk chiffon.
- For the background of the Flying Geese; about 1/4 yd of plain or contrasting fabric.
- Scraps or yardage of lightweight iron-on fusible interfacing. Good lightweight choices are Pellon's P44F, 906F and SF101 or Quilters Select Fabric Prep
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- At least ¼ yd plain lightweight cotton muslin, pre-washed if possible.
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- For Fiber Identification: Small, unscented candle, pie tin or 12x12" piece of aluminum foil, matches/lighter
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- Sewing machine, cord and pedal, bobbins
- Thread in a neutral color
- Scissors, thread snips and seam ripper
- Rotary cutter with a good blade
- Cutting mat and ruler
- Iron and ironing surface
- Pins
- Regular presser foot or walking foot.
- Notebook/Sketchbook and pen/pencil

Kits containing all the silks and fusible interfacing needed to complete the class sample are available for \$20 plus shipping. Please contact your workshop coordinator.

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