Free Motion Feathers

Date: Friday, August 15, 2025

Time: 10:30 - 4:30

Cost: \$50

Instructor: Cherie T.

This class offers an introduction to the iconic "feathers" style of quilting seen in many quilts. Your sewing machine must accommodate free motion stitching, with feed dogs that either drop or are covered by a plate.

This is the third in my series of free motion classes, and the most challenging. Students who have previously taken my "Stencil Strategies" or "Free Motion Quilting" classes (or had other free motion experience) will be best positioned for success.

The first part of the class will involve learning to draw feathers using various tools and techniques, and experimenting with the application of feathers to straight, undulating, and circular stems. We will also explore several types and styles of feathers. Bringing examples from web sites, magazines or books will offer inspiration for your creations.

Finally, you will mark your sampler with the designs you choose (or replicate mine) and quilt those designs with a free motion application. Gloves that grip are recommended. You may use a stencil for the center position, but it isn't necessary. You can create your own center medallion. Don't be afraid to fly!

Supply List:

Fabric

- 22-24" Square muslin quilt sandwich (2 squares of muslin with batting between)
- 3 or 4 quilt sandwiches @ 12" X 12" 1 with single or (optional) double batting
- Finish quilt sandwiches with a line of stitching close to the edge
- Serge edges or finish with pinking shears or zig zag stitches

Notions & Tools

- Sewing machine, power cord, foot pedal & manual set up for free motion stitching
- Scissors, extra bobbins and machine needles
- Off-white thread & bobbin or thread & bobbins in strong colors
- 6-8" Medallion stencil featuring feathers (optional)
- 9" X 12" doodle pad dollar store quality plain newsprint is good enough
- Pencils & eraser
- Frixion or other marker types (heat or water removeable)

- Circular objects –bobbin, coin, lid, plate, embroidery hoop a variety up to 8"
- Small rulers -12" to 18" long or square

Optional:

- Book, magazine, or internet download showing quilted feather images
- Mini-iron (craft type)
- Compass (the office type, used for drawing circles)
- · Free-motion quilting gloves
- Chair cushion for your comfort and elevation

Class Cancellation Policy

To reserve a seat, all Pocono Sew & Vac classes must be paid in full upon registration. In the event that a student needs to cancel their reservation for a class, they should notify PS&V at least 7 days in advance (by <u>phone</u>) to be eligible for a full refund. Cancellations made less than 7 days before class will not be issued a refund.

If a class does not have the minimum number of participants 7 days prior to class day, the teacher will cancel class. The customer will be fully refunded within 7 to 10 business days. Any questions call PS&V at 800-442-8227.

Some classes require homework to be done before class, such as cutting/prepping fabrics. If homework is required, it will be posted in the class description. Please read the class description thoroughly before signing up before a class. If homework is not done by the start of class, you will not be able to attend, and a refund will not be issued. If you have any questions regarding class homework, please call the store and we will be happy to help.