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Code 409

Unique Art Textile Gift Creations

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The aim of this class is to create small unique art pieces that can serve various purposes – miniature textile art piece, one of a kind gift card or a personal bookmark. While exploring the diverse possibilities of a collage, a considerable emphasis will be put on learning the composition and stitch design. By experimenting with different fabrics and combinations of techniques you will create several original art pieces. You will also learn how to apply the machine-embroidered lace as a part of the design to incorporate lightness and transparency into artwork. No specific amounts of fabric are required - this is a great way to use all the fabric scraps! The more the surface is re-worked and transformed, the more playful and interesting the work becomes. This course will lead to a range of opportunities to improvise and will show you how quickly and easily you can develop your own style.

**Half day workshop**

**Please bring with you:**

**Fabrics and length (in cm):**

* All kind of different fabric pieces (cotton, silk, synthetics) – several bright and lively colours as well as contrasting (can be plain, tabby and/or batik);
* Several small fabric pieces with interesting motifs (nature, ornaments, prints etc.)
* Small pieces of all kinds – organza, tulle, lace, net etc.
* Sewing needles and pins
* Sewing threads to match fabrics
* Fabric scissors
* Crayon (or small piece of soap) for drawing on fabric
* Glue stick
* Quilter’s ruler, rotary cutter and mat
* Small rubbish bag
* Fusible interfacing (preferably white) - 2 sheets (A4);
* Batting/wadding (thin) - 2 sheets (A4);
* Interfacing S80 (from Freudenberg) - 2 sheets (A4);
* Machine embroidery threads – variegated, bright coloured and also matching rayon threads;
* Ribbons, yarns, Angelina fibres and other embellishment materials;
* 2 sheets (A4) water soluble plastic (for example, Avalon);
* 4 sheets (A4) of double -sided adhesive web (for example, Bondaweb).
* 2 sheets (A4) of baking paper

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