



Backyard Birds Fabric collage with Lisa Thorpe

Description:

Fabric collage fun! In this feathered friend focused class, I will provide a variety of backyard bird images printed on cotton for you to choose. I will also share my process of creating these images and how to print them on a home printer for you to try later. After a demonstration of design and composition each participant will begin creating their own Backyard Bird art quilt. I provide lots of technique and design expertise during the workshop. By the end of the day everyone will have a sweet 11x14" art quilt featuring the back yard bird of your choice ready to pop into a shadow box frame or finish any way you choose.

Materials fee \$30

You kit includes one bird image printed on cotton, one bird-size felt piece, 11x14 inch pre-fused felt backing, one real feather, snippets of hand dyed and printed fabric, paper and fabric ephemera for embellishment. Some embroidery thread and needles to share. Lots of unique hand dyed and hand printed fabric to share and best of all you get to choose your bird image!

Supplies students need to bring:

- A gallon bag of small pieces of fabric to use in collage: Batiks and hand dyed and printed fabrics are particularly nice, old lace, buttons, are nice too. You might want one piece that is about 11x7 inches to use as background - blues, tans and greens are a good choice.
- Rotary cutter, small cutting mat, and small ruler to use with rotary cutter are helpful to have
- 1/4 yard Misty fuse or Wonder Under or pack Ease-A-Steam 2
- A pair of fabric scissors • A variety of machine thread colors
- *Optional:* Embroidery floss or pearl cotton of your choice, and needles if you like the idea of incorporating hand stitch embellishment. I'll have some to share

NOTE: *This class is designed to use sewing machine, but art can be done with fuse and hand stitch if you prefer not to use a machine.*