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2026 Intro to Free Motion Quilting Intro to Free Motion Quilting

- Proposed Date(s) & Time(s):
 - 1/12 5:30-8:30
 - 1/17 1:30-4:30
 - 4/6 5:30-8:30
 - 4/11 1:30-4:30
 - 5/3 1:30-4:30
 - 5/4 1:30-4:30
- Sessions for the class: 1
- Skill Level: Beginner
- Class Description: This class is designed to give you a taste of how to Free Motion Quilt with your sewing machine. We will all learn how to set up our machines so that we can freely move a quilt sandwich under the needle. Then I will teach you a few simple free motion patterns that will allow you to start quilting small projects so you can get those flimsies quilted!
- Special skills needed prior to signing up for class:
 - Correctly thread machine, top & bottom
 - Change needle & foot
 - Adjust thread tension
 - Set up machine for FMQ (drop feed dogs, release pressure foot pressure. If you don't know this, LOOK IT UP BEFOREHAND in your MANUAL and/or YouTube University)
- Minimum and maximum of students for your class: 6 & 10
- Instructor name(s) and contact information: Candy Glendening,
Candy@CandiedFabrics.com

Class Specific Supplies:

Please provide class-specific supplies that are needed for your class, to include:

- Pattern:
- Fabric: (6) Quilting sandwiches that are at least 14-18" on a side, made from a layer of cotton batting sandwiched between 2 pieces of muslin or quilting weight fabric. This fabric should be a plain color or have a faint pattern. It's ok to use scraps if you have them, but the easiest way to make these is to cut (2) ½ yards of your muslin, lay an 18" x 44" piece of batting in between them and cut this big sandwich into thirds, resulting in (3) 14" x 18" sandwiches.
- Interfacing:
- Notions:
 - Pins and pin cushion
 - Scissors or thread snips
 - Quilting gloves (optional but helpful)
 - Supreme slider (optional but helpful)
- Hardware: Sewing Machine (in good working condition) **whose feed dogs can be dropped or covered**
 - Free motion foot or darning foot. *The smaller the circle or U-shape the better – those big plastic circles are made for simple quilting on really fluffy batting, which is not what we'll be doing.*
 - Foot control and power cord
 - **Extension table for your machine.** *If you can't lay your hands flat on either side of the needle and have them supported on all sides, you will have a hard time free motion quilting.*
 - Bobbins
 - Needles: Size 80/12 and 90/14 quilting (or embroidery, or topstitching) *bring a few of each in case you have to change your needle*
 - Many 30, 40 or 50 wt **threads** whose colors contrast with each other, and both contrast with your practice fabric. (So if your practice fabric is white, black and red threads would be a good choice.) *Bring more than one brand/type, not all threads work well for machine quilting.*

Pattern Info

[All supplies purchased for class at Cotton Gin receive a 15% discount](#)

Supplies from Home:

- Sewing Machine (in good working condition)
 - Presser Feet including and Open Toe Foot
 - Bobbins
- Standard sewing supplies
 - Rotary Cutter and personal cutting mat.
 - Pins and pin cushion
 - Scissors and Seam Ripper
 - Mini Iron and Iron Mat

- Erasable Marking tool

Supplies purchased from Cotton Gin (we strongly encourage you to purchase your supplies one week prior to arrival for class):

- Needles- Universal or 80/12 (please bring a new needle for every session)
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- Manual

Fabric/Embellishments Supplies purchased from Cotton Gin (we strongly encourage you to purchase your supplies one week prior to arriving for class)

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Class Guidelines:

You will be sharing our classroom space with others. When you join our Cotton Gin community, please plan accordingly and respect the following guidelines:

CLASS FEES:

- ❖ Class fees must be paid at the time of registration. Your spot in a class will only be secured once you have paid.
- ❖ Classes typically hold up to 8 students, with a minimum of 2-4 to be held.
- ❖ There are NO REFUNDS. Store credit will be given if the course is canceled or for an unforeseen family emergency.

CLASS SUPPLIES:

- ❖ A cutting station and ironing boards are provided to be shared by all participants. When a large amount of cutting or ironing is needed, please plan to do it at your table or home.
- ❖ If noted in the class supply list, a limited number of kits will be available. We encourage you to purchase your kits early and fabric before class day.
- ❖ Basic sewing supplies are required for all classes. A supply list of material and tools required for each class is available.
- ❖ If you don't have one in working order, you may rent our Husqvarna Viking Emerald for \$25 per class + required bobbin pack purchase.

CLASS ETIQUETTE:

- ❖ Classes will start on time; please arrive 10-15 minutes early to set up for class.
- ❖ All your supplies should fit on and under your single table (24" x 40").
- ❖ All bags & rollers should fit under your table or be returned to your car.
- ❖ **No eating or drinking in class please.** Water in a spill-proof container is OK.
- ❖ Avoid perfume or strong scents (for our friends with allergies).
- ❖ For safety reasons, participants should be 16 or older unless otherwise noted.

We look forward to being part of your creative journey!