

**Level:** Beginner

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# **Pressing Matters and the Cutting Edge**

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## **WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:**

Struggling with using your rotary cutter to get accurate cuts, whether it is a garment pattern or quilt pieces? Rulers sliding as you cut? Not pressing correctly, or at all, so your finished garment or quilt top is a bit wonky? Having trouble reading the measurements on your rulers? In this class you will learn proper pressing (not ironing) techniques, for both quilting and garment construction, as well as the correct way to use your rotary cutter to accurately cut your fabric and not your person, or gouge your rulers. You will also learn how to read and identify the various markings on your rulers. Since rotary cutters can be dangerous, I will be extremely strict in this class; all my rules will be enforced, and all participants will be required to follow all of them, no exceptions.

## **YOUR SUPPLY LIST (WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING):**

- Rotary cutter, yes, you need to bring your personal rotary cutter
- Your personal rulers, the ones you use the most, and the ones you are struggling to read
- Seam gauge
- Scrap fabric to practice cutting
- Paper and pencil/pen to take notes

## **Optional Supplies (these are not required)**

- Iron and ironing mat
- New rotary cutter blades
- Glow line tape
- Clapper
- Pressing ham
- Pressing roll
- Sleeve board
- Cutting safety glove

**\*Can be purchased at Berger's.**