ART & DESIGN FOR QUILTERS

SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE TO ADVANCED

CLASS SIZE: 16 STUDENTS

DURATION: 5 DAYS / 30 HOURS

This workshop is for anyone who has ever wanted to step out of the box, leave the familiar and traditional behind and create a one of a kind art quilt or embroidery while learning the keystones of design.

Participants will explore colour, work with grids and grid distortion, while recognizing line and shape. The workshop is divided between working into a sketchbook with art and design techniques, hands on sampling for special effects on fabrics and the planning and successful execution of an original art quilt.

DAY 1   - Exploring Distorted Grids
         - Recognizing Line and Shape
         - Creating Circle and Hexagonal Designs
         - Evaluating Colour

DAY 2   - Designing for and sampling towards a specific project
         - Pulling together sketches, designs and fabrics for your
           project observing the basic elements of design

DAY 3   - Embellishments by Hand: Exploring hand stitching and
           beading to enhance your quilt
         - Finishing ideas, includes options for hanging

DAY 4   - The Art Quilt
         - Pulling it all together to design and create
         - Evaluating ideas/sketches/samples and individual reflections

DAY 5 - Finishing your Art Quilt
          - Individual feedback and direction provided throughout

Supply List for "Art and Design for Quilters":
- Sketchbook (9" x 12"/ 23 cm x 30 cm approx.)
- Pen and pencils
- Compass and ruler
- Colored pencils or crayons
- Graph paper and tracing paper (a full pad, please)
- Images from old calendars or magazines
-Selection of cotton and sheer fabrics (include hand-dyed fabrics   and batiks, if you have them - gauge the amounts to be no more than 1/2 meter/yd each)
-Hand sewing needles with embroidery threads and sewing threads

- Scissors, small and large
-Sewing machine in good working order with accessories and extra needles
-Acrylic fabric paints (bring 2 – 3 colors and expect to share)

Organizer needs to provide:
- 2 - 3 Irons and ironing boards
 - Tables and chairs
 -White board & markers