

Coffee Break: musings in fabric and stitch With Lisa Thorpe

This class explores layered fabric and paper collage enlivened with simple embroidery. I'll teach you how to trace images like coffee cups (or teacups if you prefer) and backyard birds onto sturdy yet sheer, unryu rice paper. That image will be the focal point, fused then stitched over a background of fabric scraps in your favorite color family. All will all be fused down to a 10x10" square of muslin and hand stitched using a variety of simple embroidery stitches that I'll teach you or remind you how to do if it's been a while. I'll share my techniques for adding words in stitch and ink. I'll also share my stash of paper ephemera and poems to add a special touch to your fabric musings. Class will conclude with a myriad of ideas on how to display or frame your finished art.

\$30 Kit - What's included:

10x10" square muslin with misty fuse applied, unryu rice paper, paper and fabric ephemera, embroidery needle, images to trace, embroidery thread to share, markers and pens to share, extra Misty fuse to use as needed, rubber stamp letters and fabric ink pads to share, fabric scraps in many colors to share,

What student brings

Scissors, rotary cutter (I'll have some to share), a gallon zip bag of fabric scraps in a color family you love (I'll have fabric to share), old lace, hankies or table linens are a nice touch if you have some, embroidery thread (if you have it – I have some to share) if you use a thimble when you stitch bring that too. Note: If you have a digital tablet to search for images you might like to use bring that, but it is not required – I will have images available to trace.