

Birds of a Feather working in a series with Lisa Thorpe



Create a series of three small fabric collages using vintage bird illustrations printed on silk organza, fabric scraps and hand stitch. You will explore design principles like contrast, balance, emphasis, repetition, rhythm, and pattern in the creation of your three 6"x6" fabric collages. Using raw edge fabric collage and simple embroidery stitches by the end of the day you will have a small series of three bird collages. Lisa will teach simple running stitch, seed stitch and blanket stitch to novice hand sewists, those with more embroidery experience can use all the flourishes and flare they choose. *All levels of experience welcome.*

\$20 Kit fee: Your kit includes three 6"x6" squares of felt to use as backing, three vintage bird illustrations printed on silk organza, pearl cotton thread in a variety of colors and embroidery needles to share.

Supplies students need to bring:

- Mistyfuse White 2½ yd Package (*I use Misty fuse because it is most lightweight fuse and the easiest to hand-stitch through. If you have a fuse you prefer feel free to bring that instead*)
- Fabric scraps to create a small series. I suggest 3-4 prints or solids in a harmonious colorway plus a color pop. (*In my examples I have on series in black & white prints plus red, in the other series a variety of blue solids and prints with a burnt yellow pop*)
- Perle cotton or embroidery thread - I love Wonderfil Perle Cotton #8 in a variety of colors
- Embroidery needle and thimble if you like to use one (I will have some to share)
- Scissors (Optional rotary cutter and mat)