

Workshop: Improvisational Machine Quilting: (3 hours)

**Skill Level**: Intermediate to Advanced

## **Description:**

Mix and match multiple motifs to create a modern free-motion mash-up! This improvisational technique can be applied to any quilt, whether you want your quilting to be the star of the show, or you simply want to add a bit of background texture to your quilt.

This jam-packed class will teach how to combine and design two or more filler motifs into something entirely new. And the best part is, no two designs are ever the same! Students will practice drawing the designs on paper, then apply what they've learned to sample swatches or orphan blocks.

Note: Students should be comfortable with basic free-motion quilting.

## **Supply List**

- Required: Christa's book 99 Machine Quilting Designs
  - Available as PDF Digital Download: https://www.etsy.com/shop/ChristaQuilts
- Recommended: How do I Quilt It? book by Christa Watson
  - Available at shop.ChristaQuilts.com
- 6 practice quilt sandwiches consisting of two large squares of solid or tonal colored fabric with batting in between; I recommend at least 10" for the top square, 11" for the batting, and 11" or more for the bottom square of each sandwich. Basting is not necessary for small samples.
- Thread to match your fabrics. I recommend 100% cotton, 50 weight.
- Thread snips
- Machine quilting gloves: see shop.ChristaQuilts.com for Christa's favorite brand
- Sketchbook and pen or pencil for note taking and design sketching
- Bring your "can-do" attitude as this will be "sew" much fun!

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