

Improvisation Plus @ AQC 2022 with Brenda Gael Smith Updated Requirements List

Discover the fun of improvisational piecing geometric and linear units. Put them altogether in a striking mega-9 patch with personality plus! Learn freeform cutting and how to join irregular blocks. Explore the design principles of repetition and variation. Suitable for all skill levels.



Images are indicative only and show what can be achieved using the techniques learned.

General:

- Rotary cutter with a SHARP blade and cutting mat
- Quilters ruler 12in square
- Smaller square ruler (optional only if you already have it)
- Chalk pencil (I like Clover Chaco liners)
- Neutral-coloured thread for piecing
- Spray starch (optional)
- Notebook, digital camera or camera phone
- Batting, flannel sheet or similar to use as a design wall

Fabric Selection:

This workshop is most suitable for fabrics that read as a single colour such as solids, hand-dyes, batiks, tone on tone prints and small-scale prints. **Please ensure you have a variety of dark and light coloured fabrics.**

Warm Up Exercises & Samples (optional but recommended):

- Two, 6½ x 4in rectangles. 1 dark and 1 light.
- Six 6 ½ in squares. 3 dark and 3 light.
- Four 4 ½ in squares. 2 dark and 2 light.
- One 10x3in rectangle with a 25-40in long 1½ in wide strip in contrasting colour
- One 10x1½ in strip with a 25-40in long 1-2in wide strip in a contrasting colour
- Four 10x4in rectangles: 2 dark and 2 light

For your own compositions

- Assorted fabric scraps in both light and dark colours or at least 12 fat quarters in solid colours (6 darks and 6 lights)
- 1 metre contrasting (dark or light) fabric for background (may not be used for some designs)

Sewing machines will be supplied and will need a 1/4in foot.

Compositions/quilt tops only are created in class. Batting and backing will be required to complete project at home.

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