

St. Croix Int'l Quilters
Quilting with the Walking Foot
Saturday, September 8, 2018
8 am-3 pm American – 9 am-4 pm Canadian
Union St. Atlantic Baptist Church
28 Main St. St. Stephen, New Brunswick

Teacher, Linda Hubbard, has 24 years of experience teaching quilting classes. She will bring samples and provide in depth notes for the class.

Prerequisite: Basic Knowledge or Experience with Machine Quilting

Is free motion quilting just not for you? Do you get frustrated with trying to stipple? Have you used your walking foot only for stitching in the ditch? This class will explore the many applications of the walking foot – you will be amazed at the variety of quilting designs you can do with straight lines and gentle curves! After a quick review of the walking foot and how it works, machine set-up and preparing the quilt, we will then explore straight line designs, grids, single and twin needle designs, matchstick and echo quilting, radiating designs, gentle curves, circles and spirals, and the use of decorative stitches on your machine. You will learn to use your quilting guide, the width of your foot, and tape to evenly space stitching lines – i.e. no marking! And most important, we'll have FUN!!

WHAT TO BRING:

- your machine (with manual) in good working order, recently cleaned, with a new size 75 quilting needle, foot pedal, cords, extension cord, power bar. (Have an extra 75Q needle or two on hand as well, in case you break a needle). Bring extension table if you have one.
- a new twin needle, I suggest size 2.5/80
- you must have a walking foot (or built in “dual feed” as in a Pfaff). Bring your quilting guide(s) if you have one (this looks like an “arm” that fits into the walking foot; you may have two, a left and a right)
- your marking pencil of choice (make sure it shows up on your fabric) and a pen for notes
- a roll of painter's tape or masking tape, 1” width
- thread: 2 new spools good quality cotton thread in a color which contrasts with your fabric. Prewind two bobbins. This is normal 50 weight thread as you would use for piecing.

Quilt Sandwich

I suggest 4 or 5 “quilt sandwiches” with muslin or a solid cotton on the top, a cotton or cotton blend low loft batting in the middle (please NO poly batts) and something plain(solid) or very sm. print on the back. Make them whatever size you are comfortable with – I suggest somewhere between 12”-15”square. If smaller, have an extra one or two. Don't worry about them being perfectly straight and square- these are just working pieces.

Sewing Kit

Please bring your regular “sewing kit”: snips to cut threads, seam ripper, a few safety pins, ruler for drawing a few lines, etc. and whatever else makes you happy and comfortable: quilting gloves, glasses, chair cushion, lunch, water bottle... Please wear a nametag if you have one.

LUNCH – Please bring your lunch. There will not be enough time to go out and buy lunch.