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Menagerie Workshop

Instructor: Shannon Brinkley

Class Length

4-6 hours

Class Supply List

Size Options	Wall Hanging 30"x40"	Crib/Child 36"x54"	Lap 50"x60"
Background fabric	1 yd	1 ½ yds	3 yds
Backing fabric (includes 6" overage)	1 ½ yds	1 ¾ yds	3 ¼ yds
Batting (includes 6" overage)	36" x 46"	42" x 60"	56" x 66"
Binding fabric (2 ½" strips)	⅓ yd	½ yd	½ yd

- [Scrappy Bits Applique](#) by Shannon Brinkley (recommended for reference and required if you are making the fox or elephant quilt)
- One Applique Template (available at shannon-brinkley.com/shop or from Shannon on the day of the workshop) *not needed if you are using a template from the book, [Scrappy Bits Applique](#) or making your own
- Various fabric for the applique piece (5-10 fat eighths or an equivalent amount of scrap fabric would be perfect)
- *see *Scrappy Bits Applique*, pg. 16, for suggestions on fabric selection

The following required items are included in [the Scrappy Applique Kit](#), available on Shannon's website or from Shannon on the day of the workshop.

- 3 yards fusible web (I recommend Misty Fuse with a teflon sheet or parchment paper)
- 2 yds lightweight, non-woven, interfacing (I prefer Pellon 906f)
- 1 yd stabilizer (I prefer Sulky Totally Stable Iron-on, Tear-away)
- clear polyester thread
- Dritz Fray Check (optional, but recommended)

Other Supplies:

- bobbin thread, thread to coordinate with fabric chosen for the animal
- plastic baggies for cut collage pieces
- sewing machine
- iron
- large pressing surface** (an old towel is perfect)
- scissors
- rotary cutter
- straight pins
- basting pins or spray
- marking utensil
- Machingers Gloves (optional, but recommended if free motion topstitching and/or quilting)
- free motion quilting sewing machine foot (optional, but recommended if desiring to learn to free motion quilt)

Classroom Preparation

Each student needs their own sewing machine, iron, and pressing surface. Set up common cutting stations. Students will need a little over a yard of table top space to themselves.

Class Agenda (All times listed are rough estimates; depending on class length and student pace, we may not finish, but students will be taught all the skills required and will be able to reference the book or pattern to finish at home.)

- Introductions (15 min)
- Class overview and demonstration (15 min)
- Prepare materials (pg 22) (30 min-1 hour)
- Trace template (20 min)

Break (if needed)

- Create your animal! (pg 29). (45 min)
- Topstitch the animal. Discuss the different options for topstitching (pg 34). Lesson and demonstration on free motion quilting and how to use that to topstitch. (1 hour).

***Materials Preparation**

This is optional but helpful to make the most of the class time.

- **Apply fusible web to the back of your collage fabric.** If you have more than the recommended amount of collage fabric (5-10 fat eights), cut 4" strips of 8-10 (or more, if desired) different fabrics. Then apply the fusible web according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- **Trace your template onto your interfacing.** Be sure to use a marking utensil that will not disappear or smear.
- **Prepare background.** If you want to place your applique piece on a pieced background, prepare the background before class. For ideas and free patterns, see shannon-brinkley.com.