Darrelle Anderson



SVP Worldwide www.husqvarnaviking.com

Being a recovering "Perfectionist," Darrelle likes putting the fun back into sewing. As an Event Specialist for SVP Worldwide, she travels the country to share her love of sewing. Darrelle likes to combine techniques in unexpected ways to create fun and unique projects.

Winn Archambeau-Munoz



Fibers Etc.

Helen Bartley



Seam Divas Sewing Lounge www.seamdivas.com

Helen Bartley is a Palmer/Pletsch Certified Sewing Instructor who teaches the 4-Day Palmer/Pletsch Workshops, as well as local classes at Fabric Depot in Portland, OR. She studied textiles, fashion design, and clothing construction at Eastern Washington University. She also has a sewing lounge in her home in Vancouver, Washington, where she offers small classes for kids and adults.

Kali Basi



Kali Basi Designs www.kalibasi.com

Since childhood, Kali demonstrated talent working with textiles. She received an arts degree and spent a number of years in the fashion industry. In her twenties, Kali apprenticed with master artists in India, developing advanced skills in embroidery. At the age of 22, Kali started her own boutique in New Zealand, creating one-of-a-kind garments for exclusive clientele. In 2000, Kali moved to the US and continues to explore and evolve her art, participating in art shows across the country. Each year since 2011, Kali has received numerous outstanding achievement awards for her work.

Susan Beck



Bernina www.seamdivas.com

Susan has been creating with fabric, needle, and thread since she was a young child and holds a bachelor's degree in textile and clothing along with a master's degree in design. She likes all types of sewing, but her favorite is mixed media: mixing fabric, paper, fibers, ephemeral mementos, photographs, trinkets, charms, etc. Having worked in the sewing industry as an educator, writer, and editor for *BERNINA of America* for over 20 years, Susan is always planning her next sewing project.

Sylvain Bergeron



Bernina of America www.bernina.com

Sylvain Bergeron is a self-taught sewist, machine embroiderer, and software teacher. He came into the quilting world in 2005 by asking a simple question: "What if embroidery were the quilt?" His answer came as quilt tops containing up to 3 million stitches, allowing simple line and color to create complex images. Sylvain was the first recipient of the Master Award for Thread Artistry at Fall Quilt Festival in Houston. He won the Gold Prize at the 9th Quilt Nihon Exhibition in Tokyo, Japan. His intuitive teaching style provides for new learnings and creative motivation, mixed with a dose of laughter.

Pam Bocko



Pieceful Designs www.piecefuldesigns.com

Pam has been designing and creating things as long as she can remember. After working in the healthcare field for many years, she made a career change and obtained her degree in Interior Design. From there, she turned her focus to designing original quilting and sewing patterns and establishing her company, Pieceful Designs. She loves to encourage sewers of all levels and abilities by creating patterns for projects that range from small and simple to more challenging designs for those with a bit more experience. Pam gets her design ideas from everywhere: nature, architecture, even from a funny joke, resulting in designs that are bright, light hearted, and made to put a smile on your face. She has been honored to have received awards on both the local and national levels for her quilting. Pam lives in Eugene, Oregon with her husband Rick and has 3 adult daughters.

Ryliss Bod



Ryliss Sewing & Design School www.sewinganddesignschool.com

Ryliss Bod has instructed all levels of sewing constructions, fitting and pattern alterations, textiles and quilting to adults, teens, and kids for over 32 years at a state technical college. She is currently Director of her own Sewing and Design School.

Dana Bontrager



Dana Marie Design Co. www.danamarie.com

I've made a career of "thinking outside the fashion box", constantly stretching design and sewing conventions to develop new skills and creativity. I create unique, eye-catching garments that are both casually simple and wonderfully imaginative. Always an enthusiast for the unusual, I design pieces that are often whimsical, using a variety of materials to create a certain expression. Working professionally since 1985, I've created custom designs and pattern making for individual clients to small manufacturers. Today, the business includes my own line of fashion patterns, art stamps, and all the fun toys to have your own wearable art experience.

Stacy Brisbee

Pendleton Woolen Mills

Stacy has been a member of the Pendleton team for seven years. When Stacy's not sorting remnants or selling wool, she's teaching at the store or local community school. With Stacy, traditional technique is out the window; she teaches her students to trust their instincts and adds an arsenal of tricks to make even the most difficult details easy. Her boot collection is legendary among Sewing Expo attendees. Stop by the booth and check out her latest set of Cowgirl Kicks!

Dee Brown



The Quilted Trillium www.thequiltedtrillium.com

Like many others, I started out sewing clothing in Junior High. My designs didn't always look like the pictures in my head, but I loved the creative process. From clothing to crafts and home decor, my projects have always given me a sense of that creative spark that is within us all. As I progressed into quilting, I felt stifled by what I considered the rigid confines of quarter inch seams and a precision I didn't possess. Art quilts seemed like a natural progression and have become my passion and obsession.

Bobbi Bullard

Bullard Designs www.bullarddesigns.com

Award-winning Bobbi Bullard has been a leader in the embellishment and machine embroidery world since 1996. Bobbi's work has been seen in Threads, Belle Armoire, Creative Machine Embroidery, Quiltmaker, and Designs in Machine Embroidery and she has been seen on TV on *It's Sew Easy*. Bobbi's book, *Artful Machine Embroidery*, has been touted as both a detailed machine embroidery reference as well as a source of inspiration. Her Craftsy Class, Continuous Line Embroidery, has been viewed by thousands. Beginning in 2015, Bobbi has been working with Kids Sewing Studio to help propagate the love of sewing with the next generation.

Eleanor Burns



Quilt In A Day www.quiltinaday.com

Eleanor Burns is the owner and founder of Quilt in a Day. She has been in business for 38 years and has published over a 120 books and patterns.

Debbie Busby



Wooden Spool Designs www.woodenspooldesigns.com I was born and raised the great northwest. I live in Troutdale, Oregon with my husband, Jeff. I am blessed to live close to our two grown and married children and my 6 grandchildren. I was introduced to sewing as a young girl through my mother and grandmothers. I learned to sew in Home Economics in school. After sewing clothes for many years for my kids, family, and doing a variety of needle work styles, I fell in love with hand dyed wool and wool applique. I began Wooden Spool Designs in 2003, where I design patterns using wool and teach classes.

Steve Butler



Clover USA www.clover-usa.com

Steve is the National Sales Manager for Clover Needlecraft. Previously, he has owned a quilt shop, co-founded Superior Threads, was National Account Manager at A&E, and has worked extensively in thread and sewing notions development. He has taught classes at Quilt Market, VDTA, MQS, HMQS, Sewing and Stitchery Expo, American Sewing Expo, and all major sewing machine conventions. He has also been a four-time repeat guest on Martha Pullen's popular PBS series "Martha's Sewing Room." His areas of concentration are threads, needles, notions, and machines.

Karen Campbell



Wild Ginger Software, Inc. www.wildginger.com

Karen Campbell learned to hand sew when she was 5 and started making her own clothes at age 12. Commercial patterns were just a starting place for creating her own designs. While living in Japan, she studied flat pattern design and tailoring. She has taught sewing and flat pattern design to children and adults and has written articles on design and construction techniques. Since 2001, she has done Technical Support and teaching for Wild Ginger Software. She currently lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Karen Charles



SVP Worldwide www.svpworldwide.com

Karen is a bona-fide talent with 25+ years of experience in the sewing industry. Renowned for her artistry in quilting and machine embroidery, Karen also excels at garment sewing, heirloom, and crafting. Her creativity is evident in every sample that she makes and her enthusiasm is contagious. Karen's teaching methods make even the most complicated task achievable for all students. Whether novice or experienced, her students consistently learn new and unique methods to achieve beautiful results.

Kandi Christian



Sew Timeless www.sewtimeless.com

Author and instructor Kandi Christian has taught classes all over the country. This will be her eighth year teaching at the Sewing & Stitchery Expo. She has authored 13 sewing books and you may recognize her name from the many articles she has written for all the major sewing magazines. Her passion and knowledge of sewing is contagious in the classroom. Students not only enjoy her classes, they come away with a wealth of knowledge.

Barbara Crawford



Crawford Designs "Sewing Made Simple" Patterns

www.crawforddesignspatterns.com

Barbara Crawford has been a designer and instructor for over 20 years and has a popular line of patterns for appliqué and wearables. She is known for pushing the envelope in new techniques manipulating fabrics and fibers. Along with having her own line of patterns, she is a designer for McCalls Pattern company. Barbara is a contributor to many sewing magazines, and can be seen on *The Creative Living Show* and *It's Sew Easy* TV.

Connie Crawford



Fashion Patterns by Coni www.fashionpatterns.com

Connie Crawford is a licensed designer for Butterick Patterns, member of the Sewing Hall of Fame, nominated for a 2013 Golden Pen Award, and is owner of Fashion Patterns by Coni, which specializes in patterns for mature figures in sizes 8-20 and 1X to 6X. Connie has been a production patternmaking/designer in the Los Angeles fashion industry for 35 years. Connie taught patternmaking and fashion design classes for 23 years at the Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising. She is a nationally recognized lecturer, fashion specialist, educator, and author of several DVDs and sewing and pattern textbooks, including A Guide to Fashion Sewing, The Art of Fashion Draping, Patternmaking Made Easy, and Grading Workbook. These books are sold world-wide and are published by Fairchild and Bloomsbury Publications.

Michele Crawford



Flower Box Quilts www.flowerboxquilts.com

Michele has been a published quilt and needlework designer since 1989 and has had over 4500 designs published in 40 publications. She loves to do all forms of needlework and combine cross stitch and/or embroidery with quilting. As a teacher, she loves to share her sewing tips and techniques with her students while encouraging them to have fun, try something new and work at their own pace. She has worked with over 35 thread, batting, and fabric companies. She is also an author, marketing consultant, and owner of Flower Box Quilts, a quilt pattern company and internet store since 2004.

Louise Cutting



Cutting Corners, Inc. www.cuttinglinedesigns.com

Louise Cutting has received the 'ASG's...Sewing Hall of Fame 2014' and 'The Outstanding Teacher Award' for 2008 among others. She's a contributing editor for *Threads* Magazine, designer of Cutting Line Designs patterns, including One Seam Pants pattern with over 70,000 copies sold.

Her sewing instructions are the "best in the independent pattern industry". There are 8 DVD volumes of *Industry Insider Techniques, Quick to Sew Pants, The Versatile Jacket,* and a double volume *Adjusting Patterns for the Changing Figure*. Louise was the Fashion Design Department Head at Prospect Hall College, The Art Institute, and taught Interior Design at Marymount. Louise has appeared on *Sew Much More* on HGTV, *America Sews,* and *Sewing with Martha Pullen* on PBS, showcasing fashion sewing. Her numerous articles and pattern designs have been featured in *Threads, Sew News, Sewing Today, Sew Stylish, Handwoven, & Sew Beautiful* magazines.

Pamela Damour



The Decorating Diva www.pamdamour.com

Pam learned early in life, while spending time on her grandparents' farm, that making something from "scratch" was not only a way of life but it was the better way of doing things. Holding on to those values, she went from farm to fabric and has had a very successful 30+ year career as a quilter, interior designer, and sewing professional. She's the author of *Pillow Talk*, *Cheaper by the Dozen, Got Quilts?*, and *The Tangled Home*. A designer by profession and quilter by passion, Pam lives on the shore of Lake Champlain in a log home in the Adirondacks. Her down-to-earth nature, never forgetting her roots, combined with her professionalism creates a warm and creative experience.

John Deer



John Deer's Adorable Ideas <u>www.ultimatestash.com</u> www.digitizingmadeeasy.com

John Deer is one of North America's leading experts on digitizing and embroidery, with over 30 years of experience in the industry. John is a third generation embroiderer born into the Schiffli industry, giving him the unique opportunity to apprentice as a manual pantograph puncher at the age of 17, digitizing for Schiffli looms. Over the years, he's continually adapted this old-school theory with today's modern software programs, creating designs that are both beautiful and machine friendly. John authored the book *Digitizing Made Easy* published by Krause Publications and has produced numerous educational materials for embroidery and digitizing enthusiasts.

Beryl Emberson-Nash

Bo-Nash (North America) Inc. www.bonashstore.com

Beryl Emberson-Nash is the owner of Bo-Nash (North America) Inc. based in Puyallup. Originally from England, Beryl is trained as a teacher and uses those skills to teach how Bo-Nash products work at sewing and quilting shows all over America. She has also made appearances on QVC and Craft Shows. Beryl also brought several unique products to the US market such as Bo-Nash Bonding Powder and is introducing new products all the time.

Nancy Fiedler



Janome America www.janome.com

Nancy Fiedler has been teaching sewing techniques nationally for over 30 years in retail sewing stores as well as national events. Nancy has been a regular contributor to www.Janome.com since 1996. She has also been a contributor to *Creative Machine Embroidery, Designs in Machine Embroidery, Clotilde's Sewing Savvy*, six sewing books published by House of White Birches, and is Editor of *Creative Sewing Techniques by Machine* and *More Creative Sewing Techniques by Machine*. She writes and designs in her studio in Dwight, Illinois.

Mary Fons



www.MaryFons.com www.HeyQuilty.com www.fonsandporter.com Mary Fons is a writer who grew up under a quilt. In 2010, Mary created *Quilty*, a weekly online program for the beginner quilter. In 2011, *Quilty* became a bi-monthly magazine, available nationwide at bookstores, quilt shops, and via auto-ship and digital subscription. Mary co-hosts *Love of Quilting* on public television with her mom, quilter and educator Marianne Fons, and other special guests. She lectures and leads workshops on quilting (and poetry, too), and her first book, *Make + Love Quilts: Scrap Quilts for the 21st Century*, was published by C&T/StashBooks in June of 2014 to commercial and critical acclaim. PaperGirl, Mary's blog is updated at least 5 times a week. Mary is currently pursuing her graduate degree (MLA '15) at the University of Chicago. Mary currently lives smack dab in New York City.

Diane Gloystein



Sulky of America www.designonawhim.com www.sulky.com

Diane Gloystein teaches at sewing expos and stores throughout the country where her high energy presentations, incredible array of whimsically creative samples, and infectious enthusiasm are met with rave reviews. Her position as a National Educator representing Sulky of America is the fulfillment of a dream which offers her the extraordinary opportunity to inspire students with a myriad of sewing techniques, surface design, and embellishment possibilities. Diane was a designer in the 2008 BERNINA Fashion show. Most recently, she co-authored the book *Embellish Your Life with Sulky*, along with Joyce Drexler.

Nancy Goldsworthy



Wonderfil www.ninepatchquilting.com

Born and raised in the Pacific Northwest, Nancy has been sewing since she was a child. Her love of sewing took her to a career in apparel manufacturing. From leather gloves to leisure suits, Nancy has made them all. During her years in the industry, she went from the lowest operator on the line up to production engineer. In 2001, after 30+ years in the industrial sewing industry, Nancy left her corporate job to follow her love of quilting.

Geri Grasvik



The Pine Needle www.pineneedlequiltshop.com

Geri Grasvik has owned and operated The Pine Needle for 23 years. A favorite Portland store, The Pine Needle offers 5000 square feet of merchandise, its own pattern company, a mail order department and unending inspiration, plus over 60 classes a semester.

Chris Groce



Pacific Fabrics www.pacificfabrics.com

Mary V. Grover

Quilting On The Grid, LLC www.quiltingonthegrid.com

Mary has been a sewer and crafter all her life. She wanted to be a quilter when she retired, but found she could not make traditional methods work for her; so she found a means to make truly reversible quilts that work for her and can work easily for others. She calls it Quilting On The Grid.

Darlene Guillory



Pfaff www.pfaff.com

Known for her versatile talent and sincere passion for many areas of sewing and embroidery, Darlene takes pleasure in sharing her vast knowledge and skills. Consumers who attend her events come away with a clear vision of their own unlimited possibilities and opportunities to express themselves through sewing. A plethora of credentials and 50 years of sewing enhance Darlene's expertise as a professional and personable teacher. Darlene's personal favorites include heirloom, quilting, appliqué, embroidery, and serger sewing.

Rita Guzzard



Rita's Best Designs www.ritasbestdesigns.com

Twelve years ago, my husband bought me my first embroidery machine and the software required to create my own designs for our anniversary. My life changed so much at that moment. I made designs, those became popular, and suddenly, a hobby became a business. My goal has been to make my embroidery machine work at its fullest, beyond simple embroidery. My machine now stitches out applique and/or piecing in the hoop. It also stitches out custom quilting in the hoop.

Lois Hallock



Clearview Designs www.clearview-designs.com

Lois Hallock is a quilter, Professional Engineer, and a Professional Organizer. She is author of the book *Creating Your Perfect Quilting Space* published by That Patchwork Place. She has a Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering and has worked over 25 years for the Boeing Company. She has been a quilter for 20 years and now lectures, teaches, and consults individually with quilters on quilt studio design and organizing. She currently resides in Snohomish, Washington with her husband and two young adult kids.

Lisa Halter



Pacific Fabrics www.pacificfabrics.com

I love to sew and quilt and I love to play with dyes and paints. I have a BA in Mathematics and earned a teaching certificate from the University of Washington. I currently work for Pacific Fabrics in the Everett Location. I teach our Learn to Sew classes for adults and kids, as well as our Block of the Month Quilt Club in Everett. I teach a wide variety of classes including Fabric Dyeing and Fabric Marbling. My goal is to make learning to sew a fun, rewarding experience.

Sue Hausmann



Sulky & Baby Lock www.sewandquiltwithsue.com

At age 10, two neighbor ladies taught me to sew in 4-H. Once I experienced the joy of the process of sewing and creating for myself and others, I was hooked. In 1985, I joined the VSM Sewing as a Marketing Specialist and traveled all over the country teaching how to set up class programs in stores, how to build traffic with demonstrations, and why do people want a new sewing machine. Two years later, the opportunity of Education Manager was offered and I became a "commuter" from my home in a Chicago suburb to Cleveland. At the beginning of 2009, I "semiretired" in that I no longer work full time for VSM Sewing, but continue to present programs and events and share my enthusiasm for sewing on Husqvarna Viking as a freelance educator.

Lorraine Henry



Two Easy Tape Co. / Lorraine Henry Enterprises
www.sewinghen.com

Lorraine is a specialist in sewing, fitting, and pattern alteration for Conselle Institute of Image Management. She has a degree in Clothing and Textiles and has been a university instructor and taught classes internationally at sewing-related shows. Teaching pattern alteration and fit is her favorite thing to do. She is the creator of the Two Easy Measuring tape set with an instruction booklet which has been an aid for achieving a good fit for fashion sewers throughout the world. She has also written articles on pattern alteration for *Sew News Magazine*. With 30+ years of experience as a custom dressmaker/tailor and teacher, she has a wealth of knowledge to share with you about sewing and fit.

Mary Jo Hiney



Mary Jo Hiney Designs www.maryjohineydesigns.com

Mary Jo Hiney is the owner and producer of Mary Jo Hiney Designs, a small-scale retail and wholesale manufacturing concern, producing artisan products. Mary Jo Hiney Designs produces a thorough line of hand-dyed silk ribbon and fabrics and an assortment of kits and patterns in embroidery, mixed media, and cartonnage categories. Mary Jo is a designer for Vogue Patterns and a Craftsy instructor, sharing her expertise in the class titled "Embroidering with Ribbon." She was the owner of Something Special, Made by Hand, manufacturing handmade gifts and decorative accessories for the gift market. Mary Jo began her career as a costumer for live television in Burbank, California and is a graduate of the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising.

Candice Jewett



Serger Café www.qualitysewing.com

Candice was taught to sew by her great-grandmother at a young age and began making her own clothes by age 11. In high school, she was sewing so well that she was hired to work after school to help students who were having difficulty with their projects. Candice continued sewing professionally until 1990, when she was given the opportunity to work nationally in the sewing industry and her passion for sergers began. Since then, she has taught all over the United States and helped her students look at the serger as a wonderful tool and friend.

Lana Jones



Quality Sewing www.qualitysewing.com

Lana has been sewing since she was 10 years old. Being a self-taught sewing artist, all the tips and techniques she teaches are "what works for her." What she presents to students is a combination of her experience and influences that have been processed with her creative filter. The result is a creative style that is both unique and inspirational.

Sheila Joynes

Debbie Macomber's A Good Yarn Shop www.agoodyardshop.com

Debra Justice



Labours of Love www.laboursoflove.com

Marla Kazell



www.marlakazell.com

Marla Kazell has been sewing professionally for over 30 years and creates beautiful couture garments in her custom clothing business, focusing on fit and fine construction. She teaches hands-on classes and workshops in Portland, Oregon and across the country. Her sewing career began as a sample seamstress in the pattern research and development department at Stretch and Sew. Marla served as technical adviser for the book, Couture The Art of Fine Sewing by Roberta Carr and has shared her expertise in Threads, Notions, and Sew News magazines.

Susan Kennedy



The Smuggler's Daughter www.smugglersdaughter.com

Susan Liane Kennedy is The Smuggler's Daughter, owner and manager of www.smugglersdaughter.com, an online fabric store offering high-quality fabrics for garment sewing. An expert in marketing and public relations, she has also been a marketing consultant for 25 years, advising entrepreneurs, professionals, and creative endeavors on how to successfully promote their businesses. Susan will outline practical methods for marketing sewing-based businesses to thrive and grow in the modern economy.

Judy Kessinger



FitNice, LLC www.fitnicesystem.com

In the 35 years that Judy Kessinger has been teaching the many avenues of sewing, she found that ladies find FITTING to be the most frustrating part! This is the reason so many women quit sewing. It's time to come back, get inspired, and have fun! Judy designed the FitNice Patterns to make garment sewing simple with easy-to-follow instructions and videos to guide sewers to success. Judy is known by many as the Fit Doctor, curing the ills of the sewing blues. Sewing is the easy part, but it's the FITTING that makes garments come alive and compliment the body instead of just covering it!

Marsha Kirsch



SVP Worldwide www.svpworldwide.com

Greatly loved for her enthusiastic and lively presentations, Marsha incites fantastic results, whether from the technical skills she teaches or the inspiration that sewers take away from her classes. She imparts an empowering "can-do" attitude when instructing, paving the way for creativity and fun. Marsha enjoys designing and creating garments, purses, and home décor projects. She strives to find unique ways to push the boundaries of creativity and loves to share her passion with others.

Stephanie Kleinman



Fabric Studio www.thefabricstudio.com

The Fabric Studio™ was designed and created by Stephanie Kleinman, owner of Easymade Publications and creator of *Simply Quilts*, the long-running TV series on HGTV. My motto has always been: follow your passion and you will succeed! I have combined my love of textile designs with my fast and easy methods of block construction; simple techniques for making personalized fabric; and I came up with a simple concept of photo fabric! Then on top of all that I added in the latest internet technologies and came up with a new online version of my Fabric Studio Software.

Deborah Kreiling



Simplicity Pattern Company www.simplicity.com

Simplicity Pattern Company has been my home for over thirty-six years. My passion for sewing equals my passion for being involved every day in the creation of our product. In my current position as Design Development Director, I am involved in every design, from selection through the finished product. Daily, I work with every Patternmaker, Seamstress, Writer, Illustrator, Quality Control Editor, and the Consumer Service Team. Every day I go to work with the goal of making sure that what we have created a sewing pattern can be successfully and happily sewn at home. I travel each year to Consumer Home Sewing shows where I interact with sewists of all backgrounds and skill levels and always love to hear their feedback and requests.

Cheryl Kuczek



Paradiso Designs/Quiltworks Northwest www.paradisodesigns.com

In 2006, Cheryl launched her own independent pattern line and started to teach children and adults to sew. Her sewing patterns incorporate eclectic-vintage twists to create designs with color and texture. She also uses sewing techniques that she developed to sew pleather for handbag straps. Her many patterns include edgy clothing that works for ALL sizes and designer-like handbags, and she has her own line of pleather kits and hardware for her handbag patterns. Cheryl has been published many times in national sewing publications. Beyond expanding her funky-boho pattern line, Cheryl's goal is to design a line of fabric.

Debbi Lashbrook



Bernina of America www.bernina.com

Debbi has been a BERNINA Educator for the past eleven years and enjoys sharing her love and enthusiasm for BERNINA software and machines. She received a Master's degree in Textiles from the University of Illinois and taught a variety of classes prior to moving to Texas. She began teaching classes at the BERNINA dealership in Plano, TX after relocating. Prior to joining the staff of BERNINA of America, she managed the store for five years and taught at the store for 21 years. Her specialties include garment construction, pattern drafting and fitting, and BERNINA Embroidery software and BERNINA DesignWorks software.

Linda Lee



The Sewing Workshop www.sewingworkshop.com

Pamela Leggett



Pamela's Patterns www.pamelaspatterns.com

Specializing in pattern fitting and garment skills, Pamela Leggett has developed a fun and informative teaching style that's available in her patterns and instructional DVDs. Her desire to help women make flattering garments led her to the Palmer/Pletsch pattern fitting method, which she has used to help women achieve good fit and a renewed love of garment sewing. It's with this knowledge that she created Pamela's Patterns, which have many fitting solutions and adjustments built-in to the patterns. Pamela is the instructor for the Palmer/Pletsch East School of Sewing, and recently completed two serger Techniques DVDs with *Threads* Magazine.

Amy Loh Kupser



www.i-bead.com

If it can be used for art, I'll try it. I love experimenting in any medium I can get my hands on. After being tied down to a computer for 17 years as a graphic designer and then web designer, I discovered beading. For the past 18 years, I've been able to share my passion by creating bead patterns and the joy of teaching others how to bead at shows and stores all around the country. Life seems to be coming full circle as I'm now turning my bead work designs into appliqué art quilt projects, and discovering new ways to combine bead work with other mediums. Come bead with me!

Robin Long



Pacific Fabrics www.pacificfabrics.com

Beginning with a quest to make a Mariner's Compass quilt for her submarine officer husband, quilter Robin Long took an idea she had in 1992 and launched Robin Ruth Design in January 2015. She has developed a new line of revolutionary rulers, books, patterns and technique for making strip pieced Mariner's Compass blocks in 16 sizes with no paper piecing. When she isn't on the road teaching and giving workshops, she is working on many new projects that are in the design queue. Her products are sold in quilt shops across the country and in Europe and Australia.

Cindy Losekamp



Sew Artfully Yours www.sewingart.com

Cindy is a fun and enlightening teacher known for her incredible amount of samples and ingenious way of creating. She has been a guest on many television shows and has traveled extensively, nationally as well as internationally, inspiring people to draw on their own creativity. She has been teaching for over 30 years and her students love her patient and understandable style. Cindy began her business Sew Artfully Yours, Inc. in 1998. In the eighteen years since, she has authored hundreds of patterns, design disks, and books, always designing new and interesting ways to push the limits of creating with fabric and thread. You will enjoy learning from this exciting and empowering sewing personality.

Julie Luoma



Off the Wall Quilt www.offthewallquilt.com

Julie has been quilting for just 6 years, but has jumped in with her whole heart and loves to try new methods. She and her husband, Rick, own Off the Wall Quilt, home of AnglePlay® templates. After a 20-year career preparing taxes, Julie finds speaking and teaching a delightful change, and brings humor and a down-to-earth approach to her presentations.

Lisa Maki



Crooked Nickel Quilt Designs www.crookednickel.com

Marsha McClintock



SAF-T-POCKETS Patterns www.saf-t-pockets.com

Marsha McClintock is designer/owner of SAF-T-POCKETS Patterns where she designs garments suited for travel or every day. She enjoys teaching and creating classes that inspire and motivate students to try new things using interesting samples to show techniques. You can count on her to have innovative ideas that will get students excited about sewing. Her knowledge and sense of humor make for informative, fun classes. She has taught internationally and leads women on New York sewing tours. She is a past president of Association of Sewing & Design Professionals, has written for *Sew News*, and taught on Craftsy.

Terry McFeely



Terial Arts www.terialarts.com

Join Terial Arts CEO, Terry McFeely, as she shares her love for all things DIY and her passion for quilting and sewing. In her first visit to Sewing and Stitchery Expo, Terry will give a creative lecture on how to use this fabric stabilizer to create everything from fabric art to home décor. Terial Magic™ fabric stabilizer can create beautiful fabric flowers without the fray! Terial Magic is also quickly becoming the stabilizer of choice for all embroidery, electronic cutting, tee shirt quilting, and inkjet printing. Terry thrives on using things she already has to create beautiful art and wants to help others find their inner creative with fabric and notions through this amazing product.

Linda McGehee

Ghee's www.ghees.com

Designer Linda McGehee is known worldwide for her award winning books, patterns, and spectacular fabric manipulating techniques. Her style is easy and fun with a flair for detail. She likes to work with a basic design, generally a garment or handbag, and make several that look entirely different using a variety of thread embellishments, piecing, or embroidery ideas. Having acquired an interest in sewing at a very early age, Linda has been teaching a variety of sewing techniques through her business, Ghee's, for 35 years. Very much a machinist, Linda likes to show her students how easy it is to acquire professional results when you know the proper techniques. She has designed numerous handbag and garment patterns. Her award winning books make stitching easy and fun. She travels the globe teaching at stores, guilds, and conventions, as well as makes TV appearances.

Sheila McKay



McKay Manor Musers www.mckaymanormusers.com

Over 32 years ago, Sheila met and married a Mountain Man who also happens to be her best friend and knight in shining armor. She has two amazing daughters who are now married to wonderful young men, and she has a new granddaughter that can light up a room with her smile. With an appetite for learning and trying new things she is constantly busy and loves to be out in nature where she can explore new places in God's beautiful world. If it really is true that you're as young as you feel — she will never grow old. She hearts: sewing, crafting, reading, traveling, hiking and photography.

Laura Mendoza

Marti Michell



Michell Marketing www.frommarti.com

An internationally popular quilting teacher (49 states and 25 countries) Marti Michell is often, and appropriately, introduced as a pioneer in the current quilt revival. In fact, in 1972 when Marti and her husband Richard started Yours Truly, Inc., a patchwork kit company, there was no quilt industry. Since then, she has contributed in almost every capacity.

Whether participating as a teacher, quilter, author, publisher, manufacturer, designer, consultant, judge or quilt collector, her enthusiasm for and love of quilting is always evident. Since 1995, the Michell's have manufactured the From Marti Michell line of acrylic templates and specialty rulers for rotary cutting.

Annette Millard



Pacific Fabrics www.pacificfabrics.com

Sandra Miller



Cutting Corners www.cuttinglinedesigns.com

Sandra Miller is an enthusiastic sewer who has also taught writing classes for many years. She combines her interests by constructing prototype garments and writing pattern instructions for the Cutting Line Designs pattern line. She writes and films DVDs for *Threads* magazine. She lectures and teaches hands-on sewing classes in various venues: sewing expos, sewing stores, and guild meetings.

Eileen Moebius



ASG Group www.spsasg.org

Julie Jean Muschamp

Quality Sewing and Vacuum www.qualitysewing.com

I have been fascinated with fiber arts and embellishment for years. I strive to think outside the box and push my limits when it comes to my creative process. I have been teaching for 29 years and I am always exploring new ideas. The serger is not only a machine that makes the sewing process very efficient, it really lends itself to creative embellishment. I have worked, taught, and managed at Quality Sewing and Vacuum for 17 years. Technological advances keep me learning at a very rapid pace and I am always excited about what's around the next corner. I have created many original projects for classes to teach these new features.

Michele Muska



Simplicity Creative Group www.simplicity.com

Michele Muska has worked for Simplicity Creative Group for over 13 years promoting sewing, quilting, and a variety of other fiber crafts like knitting and crochet. She is a fiber artist and her work has been in many national magazine publications and books. Michele has appeared on several PBS shows like *Quilting Arts* and *Creative Memories* and teaches classes with Simplicity's many products and brands at consumer shows and online with Creative Bug.

Laura Nash



Sew Chic Pattern Co. www.gownsbylaura.com

With a love for all things vintage, designer and patternmaker Laura Nash creates sewing patterns with a mix of modern-vintage styling at Sew Chic Pattern Company. With a Bachelor's of Science in apparel design and a background in custom sewing and fit, specializing in eveningwear design, Laura's award-winning styles have been in competitions and on runways throughout the United States. She is a Craftsy instructor, a *Threads* magazine contributor, and a Special Collections designer for Simplicity Pattern Company.

Nancy Nix-Rice



Nancy Nix-Rice Style Consulting www.nancynixrice.com

Nancy Nix-Rice is a wardrobe consultant with life-long sewing roots — award-winning fabric retailer, Baby Lock training manager, writer for *Sew News* and *McCall Pattern Magazine*. Her consumer-favorite book *LOOKING GOOD... Every Day* is the textbook for training new image consultants at FIT in New York. Nancy regularly presents for ASG and ASDP national conferences and local chapters, teaching women to create their optimal look and build 12-piece wardrobe capsules that create 70, 80, even 90+ outfits. Her new "Components" fabric line enables sewers to instantly find coordinated fabrics in their most flattering colors.

Monica O'Rourke Bravo



BravoBella www.bravobellabras.com

Monica O'Rourke Bravo learned to sew on her grandmother's knee at age five. By the time she was fourteen, she was an accomplished seamstress, having designed, sewn, and published patterns for a variety of garments, swimsuits, and bras. In the last 20+ years, she has increased her knowledge of bra fit, engineering, and construction, and acquired nearly 15 years as a credentialed professional educator. She has taught at numerous conferences and workshops, having fit over 1,000 women. Her passion is to see women's health and self-esteem improve through beautiful, well-fitting, supportive bras.

Michelle Paganini



Paganoonoo www.paganoonoo.com

Michelle Paganini is an advocate for green fashion with a talent and passion for transforming (upcycling) existing fashion. She believes all sewists should add upcycling to their sewing toolbox. Michelle is a dynamic speaker, engaging her audience with a blend of enthusiasm, interaction, and sharing of her upcycled creations. Attendees walk away with a new appreciation for the possibility of upcycling as one way to "sew green." Michelle has been a featured artist in Discarded to Divine, twice having her upcycled garments displayed at the DeYoung Museum. Her company, Paganoonoo, offers sewing patterns for upcycling.

Pati Palmer



The McCall Pattern Co.
Owner, Palmer/Pletsch Publishing
www.palmerpletsch.com

Pati Palmer is author, editor, and publisher of dozens of sewing books and how-to DVDs and creator of eight Palmer/Pletsch sewing notion products, including PerfectFuse™ Interfacings. Palmer has been designing for The McCall Pattern Co. since 1980, and Vogue prior to that. She has written the guidesheets for 250 patterns and includes fit and sewing tips. She is dubbed The McCall Pattern Company's "Fit Expert." She has been an educator for an interfacing company, a department store buyer, and has conducted seminars throughout North America and Australia. She currently teaches workshops in Portland, Oregon where she trains consumers and teachers.

Sandy Payne

Debbie Macomber's A Good Yarn Shop www.agoodyarnshop.com Sandy has been a teacher of the arts for many years. Staring as a ballet student she soon became a natural teacher and choreographer. Sandy's knitting skills started at age 13, knitting leg warmers. She is now a designer. She has been published in Debbie Macomber's novels, *Leisure Arts* Publication, and *60 Quick Knits* from America's Yarn Shops. Sandy loves teaching. Sandy teaches at Debbie Macomber's A Good Yarn Shop and local knitting guilds.

Sandi Pickering



Calico Threads www.calicothreads.com

I studied Home Economics Education in college, and have worked in the sewing industry for over 23 years. I am currently co-owner of Calico Threads, a quilt shop in Tacoma, Washington. I have taught many sewing and quilting classes, and love to inspire both new and experienced quilters. Sewing is my passion!

Vaune Pierce



Vaune www.vaune.com

Vaune Pierce lives with her husband, John, in Moorpark, California. Although trained as an engineer, she started smocking over 25 years ago for her four children, and has been hooked ever since. She has attended classes at the Imperial Bordados Embroidery Factory in Madeira, Portugal. A nationally known teacher/designer for not only smocking, but Heirloom sewing, embroidery, and construction, she teaches for groups, guilds, and seminars around the country, and is a contributing editor for *Sew Beautiful*. She is the owner/designer of the Classic Couture Pattern line, as well as Vaune, which carries fine fabrics, laces and Swiss embroideries.

Carol Porter



Clover Needlecraft, Inc.

Toni Preston



Pacific Fabrics www.pacificfabrics.com

Sue Purdy



Sue's Studs & Stencils www.suesstuds.com

Since I was 10 years old, I have sewn, but embellishment has always been my favorite application. But, there is only so much you can do with snaps and buttonhole twist thread. I started with Swarovski crystal in 1992 and started Sue's Sparklers in 1994. I'm happy to say that I truly think I brought it to the masses by doing sewing shows around the country. After 13 years, I sold Sue's Sparklers in 2007. Through a twist of fate, I now have the business back again. But, I've added stencils and laser-cut applique kits to keep my brain in gear.

LoriAnne Reeves



LoriAnne Pattern Collection www.loriannepatterncollection.com

LoriAnne Reeves, owner of LoriAnne Pattern Collection, is a creative entrepreneur helping women get their best looks through a pattern collection that is customized for your comfort, shape, and fit. The patterns have unique seams, darts and lines for flattering styles. LoriAnne creates Fashion Maker Kits that are put together to help recreate our collection with minimum effort. LoriAnne also helps creative women entrepreneurs who struggle with creating a space for their creativity and being in business. LoriAnne travels worldwide speaking, consulting, and taking groups to Paris.

Marilyn Romatka



Taproot Folk Arts www.taprootfolkarts.com

Marilyn Romatka has a passion for Folk Art. She has been teaching students—both children and adults—to spin, weave, and make many other ethnic crafts for many years throughout the nation. She has a strong drive to see that traditional skills are passed on to the next generation! Her educational background in science gives her a clear, sequential teaching style; her passion for fiber-arts gives the class zing! Students in her classes laugh and learn in a relaxed atmosphere. She has published an instructional book for those who want to teach Folk Arts to kids of all ages: Creative Crafts of the World.

Cindy Rowell



Wonderfil Specialty Threads www.wonderfil.net

Growing up, Cindy was inspired by a talented mother who fostered her interest in sewing and crafts. Cindy has taught a variety of classes for over 30 years, combining her extensive background in sewing and crafts into her presentations and seminars. Cindy is a surface design enthusiast who loves to play with thread, beads, and almost any other embellishment. Her dynamic personality, and professional teaching style provide creative inspiration for her students. Her informative seminars are always filled with invaluable information, unique creative ideas, practical tips, and exciting new techniques.

Kathy Ruddy



www.kathyruddy.com

Kathy Ruddy is an international sewing celebrity, educator, pattern designer, serger, and fitting expert. Kathy is the star of ten serger and sewing videos and the author of twelve serger and sewing booklets. She also wrote eleven 3 Ways to Learn CDs. On these CDs, Kathy imparts her wisdom and experiences as she develops her projects adding color commentary to the educational process. Her specialty is to show how to sew and serge fast and easy without sacrificing quality, fit, or fashion details. Her fresh, fun classes are brimming with surprises and ideas.

Latifah Saafir



Janome

Latifah Saafir is known for her bold and innovative modern quilts.

Combining her training as an engineer with her lifelong passion for sewing, Latifah creates designs that are graphic and contemporary, featuring challenging techniques with meticulous attention to detail. A co-founder of the Modern Quilt Guild, Latifah currently teaches workshops to guilds around the country, and is working patterns and products. She is excited to be designing her first line of fabrics with Me + You, the new fabric brand with Hoffman Fabrics. She's been featured in over a dozen books and loves being an ambassador of Janome sewing machines.

Peggy Sagers



Silhouette Patterns, Inc. www.silhouettepatterns.com

Nancy Sapin



Sulky of America www.sulky.com

Nancy has been a National Freelance Educator and designer for Sulky of America since 2007. She has presented numerous Sew Exciting Seminars, Quilt Guild presentations, & sit 'n sew workshops, co-taught Sulky Teacher Certification Training classes, taught and lectured at various AQS, ASE & OSQE events besides countless Freelance teaching events. Her designed projects have been published in Sulky's book, Sew, Craft, Quilt & Embroider Confidently with Sulky Stabilizers (#900-B19), Fun with Sulky Blendables and Solid Color Cotton Threads (#900-B21), and Sulky's newest book, Embellish your Life with Sulky (#900-B22). Nancy's positive "can-do" attitude allows her to accomplish the goals she sets before herself and brings fun and enthusiasm into the classroom.

Lisa Shaw Bubbles Menagerie	
Barbara Smith Bobbie G. Designs	
April Sproule Sproule Studios	

Connie Spurlock



Sew Wonderful Dreams www.sewwonderfuldreams.com

Connie Spurlock is owner of and a designer for Sew Wonderful Dreams in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Sew Wonderful Dreams presents patterns for paper piecing, fusible applique, home décor, and jackets. Connie travels to and teaches at over 20 sewing and quilting expos across the country each year.

Carol Steinbrecher



Style Solutions, LLC www.stylesolutionsllc.com

Carol is Founder and CEO of Style Solutions, LLC, an image and fashion management services firm. Carol specializes in alterations of ready-to-wear garments, fitting & fashion pattern alterations, wardrobe solutions, color analysis, and image branding services with over 25 years of experience. Clients include an Academy Award winner, corporate and small business groups, and "everyday stars." Style Solutions also participates in speaking engagements across the country. Carol's educational training includes the Conselle Institute of Image Management and AICI (Association of Image Consultants International). She is a graduate of UW-Oshkosh-BSN. She is also a Conselle Institute Affiliate. Carol believes chocolate is one of the basic food groups and that at least 25% of every day should be fun.

Jeanie Sumrall-Ajero



Kaleidoscope Collections, LLC www.kalcollections.com

Jeanie Sumrall-Ajero is co-owner of Kaleidoscope Collections, LLC, and is the designer of Kaleidoscope Kreator™ - a fun and easy-to-use software program that creates stunning kaleidoscope designs from virtually any photo or image. An avid photographer and digital artist, Jeanie enjoys combining her background in software engineering with her passion for quilting and embroidery. She's happiest when she's sharing her knowledge and creative experiences with others. Jeanie has been a guest on *America Sews*, *It's Sew Easy*, and *The Quilt Show*, and her work has been featured in *The Quilter Magazine* and *Machine Quilting Unlimited*.

Cindy Surina Shannon Fabrics Joyce Teng began her career as a pharmacology lecturer. She has always had a keen eye for color and design. The beauty of nature and people have given inspiration and expression to her authentic sense of artistry. Joyce Joyce Teng has an engaging style of teaching that brings enthusiasm and joy into the market place and can be experienced first-hand in her lectures and hands-TSC Designs on classes presented at quilt and sewing expos. Along with her husband www.teacherstamp.com Tom, their business has for over 25 years carried a diverse line of custom stencils, Tsukinkeo inks, and innovative products that have helped thousands of creative minds "color" their world. Marcy & Katherine Tilton

Michelle Umlauf



Sulky of America www.sulky.com

Michelle Umlauf is a National Educator representing Sulky of America and is the host of the Sulky webinar, *Sewing Online with Sulky (S.O.S)*. Michelle served as the President of the Maryland Chapter of the American Sewing Guild from 2014-2015. Michelle enjoys machine embroidering and her favorite type of sewing is free motion sewing. She enjoys using Sulky products for her embellishments. When Michelle is not sewing, she helps rescued animals by managing a thrift shop for HART for Animals. Michelle lives in western Maryland with her husband, 2 German Shepherds, and 2 rescue cats.

Annie Unrein



ByAnnie.com LLC www.ByAnnie.com

A creative lifetime quilter, Annie Unrein of Patterns by Annie and ByAnnie.com has been designing patterns and teaching since 2000. With a focus on practical and useful projects, Annie's patterns appeal to sewists of all ages and levels. Annie is the creator of ByAnnie's Soft and Stable, an innovative product she designed to add body, stability, and a professional finish to purses, bags, home décor items, and more. ByAnnie.com is also your source for handbag zippers in over 48 colors, purse hardware, and more.

Fran Valera



Joseph Vecchiarelli



Fashion Supplies, Inc. www.fashionsuppliesinc.com

Joe Vecchiarelli, founder and president of Fashion Supplies, Inc., has worked in the fashion industry for over 40 years. During his college years, Joe worked in the family business, sharpening scissors for the industry's top designers. He later graduated from USC's business program and began to realize that opportunities in the apparel business were unlimited. Mr. Vecchiarelli's career took another fascinating turn when he made a foray into the entertainment business working in production with shows like

Dancing with the Stars and The X Factor. A few years ago he was approached by NBC to help produce the competitive design talent show, Fashion Star. He accepted, with the challenge to create a successful show more professional than project Runway. Presently, Mr. Vecchiarelli is ever

so busy maintaining his business and helping fashion students and enthusiasts grasp their dreams and become successful within the industry.

Katrina Walker



Katrina Walker/Quality Sewing

Katrina Walker is a designer, educator and author known for her work in construction techniques, textiles, and Modern American Pojagi. Her work is featured in many magazines including *Threads, SewStylish, Stitch, SewNews* and *Creative Machine Embroidery*. She is also a popular online instructor, where her classes for Craftsy, Taunton Workshops, BurdaStyle and Craft Daily have enrolled thousands of students worldwide. When she is not creating in her studio, Katrina is traveling nationwide spreading the love of sewing with Pfaff and Husqvarna Viking sewing machines.

Gayle Wallace



Custom Machine Quilting

Gayle is an award winning quilter with wins in Houston (IQA), Paducah (AQS), Dallas (DQA), National Quilters Assoc. (NQA), Road to California, Heritage Quilters, Lancaster, Quilting on the Waterfront, Manchester NH (MQX), Kansas City (MQS), Salt Lake City (HMQS) and a number of other shows. Her work has been published in numerous magazines and books.

Nadeen Ward



Dolls R SEW Fun www.dollsrsewfun.com

I have been teaching since my early twenties, specializing in Stretch & Sew easy techniques. Much later, I became a grandma and renewed my love of dolls. I now specialize in 18" doll clothes. I have a doll clothes book titled *Sleepover Party* and a line of patterns as well. I believe in quick and easy. I am a member and past president of the American Sewing Guild. In my free time, I work as Office Manager and Tax Professional for H&R Block.

Mech Watne



PerfectBorders.com www.perfectborders.com

Mech started garment sewing as a child and added quilt piecing in her 20s. Once she started quilting her own quilts, adding quilting to garments came soon after. Frustrated with trying to get the border pattern to fit a quilt before her child woke up, Mech exclaimed, "There has to be a better way!" Putting her engineering skills to use, she created PerfectBorders.com, an online service that custom scales and spaces quilting designs to fit whatever you're working on.

Melissa Watson

Palmer/Pletsch www.palmerpletsch.com/pattersnmccalls-melissa.htm

Amanda Whitlatch



Janome America www.exnovodesign.com

Amanda has a passion for sewing and technology. She has a B.S. in Environment, Textiles, and Design from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. She enjoys exploring innovative sewing and embroidery techniques and has a great enthusiasm for teaching embroidery software. She has worked in the sewing industry for the last 16 years. Amanda has won numerous national awards and competitions for her wearable art creations. Her garments have been featured in the BERNINA Fashion Show at the Houston Quilt Festival. Her website provides users with current news, projects, and information on embroidery, sewing, and software. Amanda has hosted several podcasts as well as many software training programs.

Susan Zellers



Baby Lock

Debi Kuennen-Baker



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