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## **SPEED BUMPS AHEAD Beginning Machine Quilting**

**DESCRIPTION:** This class includes what you should know and practice before attempting heirloom machine quilting with trapunto and feathers. **You should be familiar with your machine and its settings** for needle down, free-motion quilting, dropped feed dogs and tension adjustment. You will learn ergonomic techniques for working with your machine for long periods of time, marking, basting, navigating the quilt top, grid quilting, echo quilting, continuous lines, stippling to enhance the top design and numerous background quilting design choices. (Pattern/material fee \$10)

### **SUPPLIES: SPEED BUMPS AHEAD**

<b>Sewing machine</b>	<i>In good working order</i> , bring with it <i>your instruction manual, foot pedal, electric cord to the machine, a single-hole throat plate, extra bobbins and extended table</i> for your machine, if you have one.
<b>Presser feet:</b>	walking foot, darning or free-motion foot, and regular straight stitching foot
<b>Bobbins:</b>	one loaded with thread to match color and weight of quilting thread, may be several shades darker than top.
<b>Machine needles:</b>	appropriate to your machine and suitable for machine quilting in size 11.
<b>Quilting thread:</b>	50 wt/2 ply, recommend Aurifil or Alex Anderson's Masterpiece Thread
<b>Basting supplies:</b>	Hand sewing needle and thread <b>OR</b> Pins for basting quilt.
<b>Fabric:</b>	Four fat quarters, two in a light color for tops and two in a patterned print for background <b>OR</b> one fat quarter in a light color and a printed backing fabric for practice <b>AND</b> \$20 to purchase a class fabric kit with a marked top, coordinating backing and thread to match.
<b>Batting:</b>	2 - squares of batting, 18" X 18" natural fiber is good.
<b>Notions:</b>	Thread clippers <b>OR</b> use fabric scissors Ruler for marking straight lines Blue washout marker 10 or 12 inch quilting hoop, if you own one, available for purchase from instructor. (\$15) Light table/box if you already have one.

### **OPTIONAL:**

Extra quilt sandwich, fat quarter size (top, batting, backing), Extra light source  
Extension Cord, Cushion for your chair.

***PRIOR TO CLASS:***

***WASH AND DRY YOUR FABRICS; SPRAY STARCH YOUR FAT QUARTERS, ALL  
FOUR OF THEM; PRESS AND FOLD IN QUARTERS.***