

Undercurrent
#109/209
July 8th and 9th, 2024
Karla Alexander
karlaalexander@mac.com

Approximate Finished Size: "63 x 82"

Level of Experience: Intermediate to Advanced

Join Karla in this fun class and discover the joy of working with big and small blocks. Beginning with one block, learn to discover and depend on new exciting and challenging skills making your quilt an original. You'll have the option to use a variety of piecing techniques, including perfect and/or wonky curves, circles, working in traditional as well as nontraditional blocks, different sashing and border options and more. Learn how to make each block different from one to the next or, build them all the same, it's up to you. You'll also learn Karla's no-fail inset circle method as well as the secrets behind the curve! You'll leave with several completed blocks as well as a plan for completion. It's your choice to build a quilt or use the class as a take-away of skills to incorporate into your next project.

Supplies:

3 yards of Freezer paper for blocks

Mechanical Pencil

Paper cutting scissors/rotary cutter

Basic rotary cutting and sewing supplies, (cutting mat, ruler, scissors, pins, etc.)

Sewing Machine in good working order

Small ruler, 6" x 12" or smaller and a 9 1/2" x 9 1/2" square ruler or larger

Add a Quarter Ruler (Long or short)

Optional 2 yards flannel for a design wall

Optional: paper for taking notes

Fabrics to bring:

Bring a mix of contrasting fabrics in increments of 1/2 yard each, fat quarters will work as well, (the more choices the better). If you are traveling from afar with limited luggage, Karla suggests a minimum of 6 different fabrics for the background and 8 different contrasting prints for the arcs, points, etc. If you like sharp contrast, choose a mix of high contrast fabrics, etc. Be comfortable knowing you will be adding to your mix as you work on your quilt in the future, therefore you will not need to be concerned about yards and yards of one particular fabric. No Pre-cutting is necessary for class.

You are welcome to email Karla with any questions at karlaalexander@mac.com. PLEASE write: Undercurrent in subject line.

Her books, patterns & specialty rulers are available at Stitchin' Post or www.saginawstreetquilts.com.