

# Improvisation: Shapes and Lines

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For such a seemingly free-spirited technique, improvisation can be difficult to get started. In this workshop, you make various lines and shapes that can be mixed to build your own improvisational composition. You will make some strip piecing using a brown bag method, play with scraps to make squares, triangles and curve shapes. You will use various techniques to audition and edit your composition to get the right balance of color and placement.

Skill Level - Beginner to Intermediate

Handouts provided in class

## **Supply list:**

Students will be expected to bring their own sewing machines with a 1/4" foot. Also the following supplies:

- A mix of large (Fat quarter to Fat Eighth) and small scraps (Solids or Prints) – if you want to make it a challenge choose a limited color palette (e.g. 3 colors). You will need a bag full of scraps, enough to make 4 - 6 blocks.
- Fabric scissors or rotary cutter
- Small cutting board (if using a rotary cutter)
- Thread (50 wt) for piecing
- Fabric marker
- Pins or glue stick
- 6 1/2 " square ruler
- Ruler (at least 12 inches)
- Standard sewing kit items (seam ripper, fabric scissors, pins, etc.)