



Amanda Murphy

Class: Ruler Work Quilting Straight Lines and Circles

Amanda Murphy is a quilt and fabric designer whose style bridges the modern and the traditional. She is a BERNINA Quilting and Longarm Spokesperson, popular teacher, fabric designer for Contempo/Benartex, and pattern designer. She is known for her free-motion quilting and has authored several books for C&T Publishing, including the best-selling Modern Holiday and Free-Motion Quilting Idea Book. Amanda enjoys every part of the quilting process, from choosing fabrics to integrating piecing and appliqué techniques to the quilting itself. The best part of her job is seeing people use her fabrics, books, and patterns to create their own works of art!



Christy Burcham

Class: Flora Mini Mat

Christy Burcham started her career as a cashier at BERNINA of Oklahoma City, where she fell in love with sewing and has made it her career. She's an all-around sewist, stitching quilts, bags, garments and more – but she has a special heart for embroidery. In her current role, Christy leads a team of world-class educators and event presenters. A born and raised Oklahoman, she now lives in the Chicago area and is the Vice President of Education at BERNINA of America.



Pam Mahshie

Class: Serger Runner

Pam Mahshie joined BERNINA of America as the Overlock Business Manager in 2020. Pam has over 40 years of experience with sergers and loves to showcase the creative aspect of them. Over her many years in the sewing industry she has filmed serger programs with Nancy Zieman, Sewing with Nancy, Martha Pullen, Martha's Sewing Room, Fons and Porter, Love of Quilting and most recently Quilt Street.com of Hoffman Media. Pam now helps BERNINA lead the way with innovative machines and accessories taking makers of all sewing genres into a whole new world of creating.



Sandra Swick

Class: Foot Frenzy

Sandra Larson Swick has the unique distinction of sending one of her prize quilts into outer space! The quilt was signed by more than one hundred former students of astronaut and Teacher in Space, Barbara Morgan, and traveled with her to the International Space Station in 2007. But Sandra is equally thrilled to share her passion for sewing and textiles with earthbound students of all ages and abilities!

With degrees in education from the University of Oregon, Sandra blends classic teaching skills with spunky humor to present project oriented one-day or multi-day events and retreats that send participants home with fresh enthusiasm and inspiration. She's a master instructor in not only quilting, but embroidery, garment construction, overlockers, and specialty projects and crafts.

A certified BERNINA technician and international teacher, Sandra has more than 20 years' experience selling, sewing and teaching professionally with BERNINA machines, overlockers, and embroidery software and design. She eagerly shares her extensive knowledge and experience, providing expert

and individualized sales consultations to help customers select the perfect BERNINA machine that will launch them into their next sewing orbit.

Sandra loves crisscrossing the United States as a nine-year veteran of the BERNINA Event Team, but happily returns to a log home she shares with her husband, two cats and an enormous fabric collection in the woods on the edge of Lake Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.