Sharing a passion for Free-Motion Machine Quilting Education and Designs

Recommendations Page

Joanie Poole is not only a talented artist and wonderful person but she is an excellent teacher as well. She is professional in every way, providing her teaching material, samples and supply lists on time and working closely with me to make sure that her students have the best possible experience. She is thorough in her explanations and works with each student individually to make sure that each person is "getting it" before she moves on. There are many talented instructors in the quilting world and Joanie Zeier Poole is definitely one of the best!

Bonita Deering, Owner, Prairie Shop Quilts - Batavia, IL

I recently took a series of classes from Joanie Zeier Poole and was amazed at what I, a hand quilter, have accomplished with my home machine. The first day I learned invisible machine appliqué using Joanie's original pattern, easy preparation techniques, along with her tips and guidance. Then, when I saw what was ahead of me for the second and third days I have to admit I was intimidated! There was no way I could live up to the expectations of this wonderful teacher; I was in way over my head and I knew I would not be able to keep up or manage to come close to what was being taught. Then, again with Joanie's guidance, I started Heirloom Machine Quilting all by myself! Joanie did not have to touch my work or show me anything; I learned by her lecture, examples of her work and tried what she suggested using her techniques and designs. In our Design class Joanie encouraged me to make up my own quilting designs; giving me examples of where to find and adapt more designs. In half a day, I completed my first piece and found the confidence I needed and discovered how easy it was to make a masterpiece!

Since Joanie's classes I have used her methods over and over to complete my work. Using all three of her books plus her patterns (the Fancy Alphabet Blocks are some of the easiest patterns to follow) I have achieved results that are just amazing. Whenever Joanie is close by, I will take all of her seminars just to learn more of what she has to offer. Thank you so much!

Sharon Makos, Student, Boston, MA

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Joanie Zeier Poole's elegant style of Heirloom Machine Quilting inspired me to learn refined free-motion machine quilting after having hand quilted for several decades. Joanie is an excellent teacher. I arrived at her class knowing nothing about free-motion machine quilting and came out able to do elegant refined free-motion quilting on my home sewing machine with ease and understanding. Joanie's books are a wealth of information, inspiration, beautifully photographed and concisely written. Her teaching style is such that anyone can understand her technique and become successful.

Donna Nelson, Student

Thank you so much for the delightful class. Even though I am an advanced quilter, there was still plenty to learn from you. Plus, your teaching <u>and</u> your work has given me added confidence in my own work. I learned a couple new stitches and learned a better way to stitch one I already knew. I would definitely recommend your class to a beginner and an advanced quilter. Thank you for sharing you knowledge with us.

Carol Spence, Student (National Award Winner)

Joanie's class for the Hayward Piecemakers Quilt Guild was comprehensive - she taught us all, whether rank beginner or experienced thread painter, everything from choosing and preparing fabrics and threads through marking, setting up the machine and achieving proper tension, to outlining the design and filling the spaces with interesting stitching. There was instruction, coaching, and satisfaction for each student. We are very pleased that we engaged Joanie to teach.

The lecture, both instructive and inspirational, was a great introduction to heirloom machine quilting. On the evening prior to the class, Joanie completely engaged the audience for more than an hour and gave meaningful answers to questions from those in attendance. Joanie is an excellent presenter and teacher - she creates award winning quilts, too!!

Anne, Coordinator of Events, Hayward Quit Guild



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