

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

Short Bio for Workshop Brochures and Lectures Introductions

Joanie Zeier Poole has had a lifelong passion for quilts and for pursuing an education in art, including a degree in graphic design. Since 2000, she has been using a regular sewing machine to create quilts with her original designs for refined free-motion quilting. She has earned many Best Machine Quilting Awards at major quilting competitions.

Joanie has chosen to blend her love of quilting with twenty-first century technology to design patterns in a sophisticated and elegant style. She markets her original designs for quilting, appliqué and embroidery through her company, Heirloom Quilting Designs. She is producing a line of How-to DVDs for Free-motion Machine Quilting and is the author of four books that offer her unique insight for any machine quilter, Elegant Machine Quilting, Joanie's Design Elements, Eight Easy lessons to Adapt and Use Quilting Designs, Joanie's Quilting Elements, Seven Simple Steps to Navigate and Stitch, and the Complete Guide to Machine Quilting: How to Use Your Home Sewing Machine to Achieve Hand-Quilting Effects.

Joanie loves to share her expertise and innovative ideas teaching design, machine appliqué and refined free-motion machine quilting. Her teaching style is friendly and knowledgeable; welcoming questions on a broad range of techniques that benefit quilters of all experience levels. With Joanie's guidance, students soon realize that even though these quilts look intimidating, free-motion quilting is just a new skill they can learn. After all, Joanie believes the strongest factor in learning anything new is *DESIRE*, so she hopes you will bring a positive attitude and maybe even surprise yourself!



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