Shape Shifter –Free-Style Piecing   © Ionne McCauley

Cutting and Sewing Curves

Introducing free-form rotary cutting and curved piecing, plus a study of how the lines and shapes that you make work together.

This is a technique/process workshop in which you will produce a wall-hanging sized piece. The samples are just that- **_examples_** of what can be made using this technique/process. Your piece will look unique, because you will choose your own fabrics, cut your own pieces, and shift your own shapes!

NOTE: You need to bring the amount of fabric listed below so that you have choices- if you wish to bring only one group- that is ok, too. But remember- in a class you have often left the ideal fabric at home!

Supply List

Please read this supply list carefully.

- Fabrics: Bring 2 groupings of 7-8 fabrics in each group (½ m cuts or fat quarters). Each group should be related colours within the group and a range of lights, mediums and darks. (**For instance-** (for <u>one</u> of the groups)- greens ranging from blue/green through yellow/greens and maybe a blue and a yellow/gold added. OR reds through purples into the periwinkle type blue/violets.) *Just make sure you have a variety of values (lights, mediums and darks) in your colour groups.*

A note about fabric choices: batiks, hand-dyed or hand painted or swirly/painterly type prints or fabrics with good movement of print and colour work well. More difficult to use are "spotty" florals, or prints that read as a solid from a distance. I don't ban you from trying these- just suggest others that may be easier to use at first.

- Sewing machine and needles. <u>NB: it is **necessary** that your sewing machine has a flat extension or bed (not just an open-arm)</u>

- ¼" presser foot

- Pins, seam ripper, scissors

- Rotary cutting equipment- the largest mat you have, small or medium rotary cutter, large square ruler (15") and long ruler (6" x 24"). ***Please make sure you have a sharp blade in your cutter!***

- Cotton thread for piecing

- Iron and small board or pad

- Digital camera

- An open mind- this is a fun experimental class!