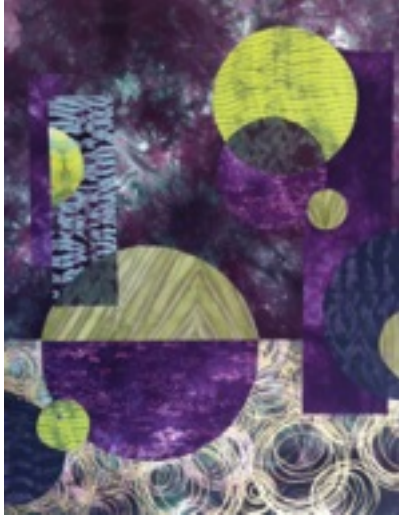


## **ABSTRACT-a-licious** *a day of creative fun and freedom!*



**Abstraction:** Freedom from representational qualities in art. Taking away or removing characteristics from something in order to reduce it to a set of essential characteristics.

If you've looked with hidden longing over an imaginary wall to the world of art quilts but don't know where to start, this is the class for you.

Lyric will gently guide you through design exercises designed to help you create ideas for original abstract quilts. Doodles will be scribbled, eyes and minds will be opened, fun will be had.

You will learn the basics of fused collage and the class will think about how to quilt pieces. Students will end the day with at least one small art quilt top of their own original design.

### **Supply List:**

- Pencil, eraser, sharpie
- Plain paper (8x10 or larger sketchbook preferred)
- Tracing paper (at least 15 sheets)
- Paper scissors, fabric scissors
- 2 Glue sticks (any kind. make sure it is not dried up)
- Wipes (to clean off sticky fingers)
- 1 yard regular weight Wonder-Under or Misty-Fuse
- Quart sized zip-loc bag full of fabric scraps to share with the class
- Three fat quarters to share with the class (think "backgrounds")
- Baking parchment - about 2 yards (coordinate ahead of time and share with your friends)

### **Optional:**

- Mini iron & pressing board

### **Class Outline:**

*Morning* - introductions, mini-lectures about design elements, sharing fabric

A number of easy and concrete exercises will be introduced. Each is designed to help you create numerous "thumbnails" or design ideas. Before lunch break you will choose one to develop into a "study."

*Afternoon* - fusing basics, design choices, basic elements of art and design

Creating art quilts tops, lots of analysis and design decision making skills will be taught.