



Calico Gals Syracuse Winter 2012 Playlist

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January

BEGIN AT THE BEGINNING

with Nina Dukette

3 Tuesdays:

January 3rd, 10th, & 17th

5:30 – 8:30 pm

New to quilting? Or, just looking for a powerful refresher? Nina teaches the tips and techniques that you'll need to begin your next project. In three sessions, become familiar with the basic steps of quilt construction, accurate rotary cutting, machine piecing, basting, machine quilting and binding while making a decorative tablerunner. By the end of the class, you'll have the confidence to start your own quilt. Class includes discussion of fabric choice and preparation, threads, needles and much more. Fee: \$45

MACHINE APPLIQUE

with Beth Broadway

Saturday, Jan 14th

10:30 am – 3:00 pm

Learn from a pro - Beth is a favorite teacher at Calico Gals and specializes in machine applique. Work from the Flower Power book to create a small flower block wall hanging, suitable for quilting and framing. Learn to prepare the applique pieces, position your design, make the most of applique pressing sheets, and the basic machine skills of buttonhole stitching and satin stitch appliqué. In addition, learn all about different kinds of fusibles and stabilizers. Master the basics of machine applique and enjoy them for a lifetime! Fee: \$30

SEW TRASHY

with Gay Silkey
and Melonie Unger

Wednesday, Jan 12th

1:00 – 4:00 pm

or 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Here's a cozy and clever idea! Recycle mens' shirts into a beautiful quilt. Complete several blocks in class while learning basic cutting and piecing skills and deconstruction techniques for the shirts. This is a wonderful memory project or a tribute to a special guy. Fee: \$25

**Re-use, recycle,
rejoice!**

STRIP CLUB

with Lynn Schantz

**3 Fridays: Mornings or Evenings
Jan. 13th, Feb. 10th & March 9th**

10:30 am – 12:30 pm

or 5:30 – 7:30 pm

The winter will fly by when you join the Gals at the "Strip Club" on Friday nights! No pole necessary - just bring your rotary cutter! Turn 2-1/2" strips into an adventure and create six 10" blocks using a variety of techniques. That's 6 new blocks and personalized instruction on a new ruler that you'll love using! The possibilities are endless in putting these and many more blocks together in a style all your own. Learn lots and have fun in this technique piecing series. Fee: \$30

EMBROIDERY 101

with Gay Silkey

Sunday, January 22nd

12:30 – 3:30 pm

Gay has been stitching since she was a small child. Join her in this class and leave with the confidence to stitch numerous embroidery patterns. Perfect class for anyone who has never embroidered or anyone needing to refresh their skills. Class covers basic knowledge of thread, needles and stitches. Learn three classic stitches that you'll use in all your embroidery projects. Pick up a class kit with everything you need to complete a beautiful cotton tea towel: thread, needles, tea towel, hoop, and pattern. Fee: \$25

Hey! Is it your birthday?

**Calico Gals is giving out
birthday presents!**

Simply sign up for our email newsletters and watch for the coupon in your birthday month. Print it out...bring it in...receive 2 fat quarters of your choice - just for being the birthday gal! That's a half yard of fabric! The coupon is good one time only, any day during your birthday month.

**You gotta have the
coupon, so sign up for
the e-news at
www.calicogals.com**

**Kids like
to sew.
too!
Invite a
child to
learn.**

Sew Fun for Kids!

with Nina Dukette and Nancy Graham

Calling all kids age 10 and up! Join the fun and make all sorts of cool projects. Learn to use a sewing machine and cutting tools. You will get lots of help in class and get the skills to go home and work on your own. Make fun things for yourself and for your friends. like Polar fleece socks, Snap Happy Bags, and Smart Bags. Monthly fee: \$20 plus supplies

Sunday afternoons: 12:30 – 3:30 pm

Jan 15, Feb. 19 and March 18

WINTER NUTZ

with: Kathy Barden

**Choose a Friday: 10 am – 3 pm
Jan 6th & 20th, Feb. 3rd & 17th,
March 2nd & 16th**

Just 10 bucks for the whole day! It's all about the fun of sewing with friends. And finishing your unfinished projects. And eating good food. And laughing a lot. That's it. Be sure to register - this one fills fast!



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A SIMPLE POINT TABLERUNNER

with Melonie Unger

Monday, January 23rd
10:30 am - 12:30 pm
or 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Learn a new technique while creating a beautiful tablerunner or dresser scarf. All points will line up perfectly when you start with a preprinted foundation. This is a class anyone would love - even beginners! Complete the top in class and go on to larger projects. It's fast and easy (the pattern, not the teacher.) Fee: \$20

QUILTED DOG COAT

with Nancy Graham

Saturday, January 28th
12:30 - 4:30 pm

Keep your pooch warm and fashionable in this adorable dog coat. Learn to adapt the pattern to fit your dog, quilt coat top and batting together, and attach collar, belly strap and velcro closures. Special bonus: add your dog's name to the back of the coat or choose a decorative stitch to jazz it up! Fee: \$25

TWICE AS NICE

with Marcia Evans

Sat. January 21st
11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Set your fabric in motion by combining pinwheels and whirligigs! Learn the skills to build a stunning quilt with a trellis design featuring double pinwheels. Take your skills to the next level and learn some new ways to make perfect points. Great class for the confident beginner or intermediate quilter. Fee: \$20

FOUR PATCH POSIES

with Sue Ellen Romanowski

Sundays, January 29th
& February 12th
2:00 - 4:00 pm

Love the idea of the stack-and-whack method, but feel like it's a little complicated? Start with 4-Patch Posies. Only four pieces to each block make it easy to cut and piece, and yet the variations are endless. Start with a fabric that has a large scale print and lots of colors. Learn the tips and techniques for squaring up your fabric and cutting your pieces to make the kaleidoscope-looking blocks. Hard to believe that all of your "posies" came from the same fabric! Fee: \$38

CALENDAR CLUB 2012

2nd Thursday
of every month
10:00 am - noon

Make a quilt one block at a time. Based on the book "Every Barn Tells a Story," join the group that meets monthly, discusses the current block, enjoys show-and-tell and enjoys the social aspect of quilting. Leave machines at home - this is mostly fun and sharing. Fee: \$36 includes 12 meetings and the book. Good deal!

New! Ginger Rose Block of the Month

Presenting a beautiful new Block of the Month! Each month members receive a piece of the pattern and part of the fabric to create a 73 x 90" quilt. The patterns for monthly bonus projects are included too!

Plus, members of the Ginger Rose Club are invited to the exclusive monthly meetings in Syracuse, featuring block demos and more ideas.

Just \$25 per month includes the pattern and fabric for the top of the Ginger Rose quilt, bonus patterns and monthly meetings at 9 am on the 3rd Saturday of each month. \$50 registration gets you in the club and pays for your first and last blocks.

OPEN SEASON

with Marcia Evans

Thurs. January 26th
2:30 - 4:30 pm
or 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Tackle a fun project that's not too big. This 28 x 34 inch makes a delightful table topper. Start with five inch squares and Marcia will show you how they will be Flying Geese blocks! Learn the technique and you'll be cutting 10 inch squares to super-size the quilt. Fee: \$20

QUILT CAMP 2012

Grease is the word!

February 18 - 20, 2012

Christ the King Retreat Center, Syracuse, NY

\$359 per person

includes all meals, private room, all classes,
free sew, lots of stuff to make you laugh
and memories to last a lifetime!

Join the gals at the 11th annual retreat!

Call for more info: 315-445-0617

\$100 holds your spot!

JO MORTON CLUB 11

with Melonie Unger
and Beth Broadway

Winter Monday meetings:
Jan. 16th, Feb. 13th, March 19th
5:30 - 7:30 pm

Popular quilt designer, Jo Morton, shares her distinctive style in a whole year of patterns featuring miniatures, historic reproductions and original patterns. Beth and Melonie bring fun and friendship to the monthly meetings and sharing the love of all things Jo Morton. One time fee of \$120 includes a year of club meetings, Jo Club patterns, and 24 Jo Morton fat quarters.

Harborview Club in Oswego with Laura Abbot begins in March.



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February and March

ENGLISH LANE

with Beth Broadway

**Tuesdays, Feb. 28th
& March 27th
5:30 - 8:30 pm**

Kaye England has done it again with a beautiful, romantic quilt. Learn more about expert cutting and piecing in the first class. Come back for class two and learn to work with setting triangles and stripes as sashing and borders. The kit comes in 2 colorways. Choose your favorite: the yellow/blue or rose/black. Class participants save %15 of the price of the kit. Class Fee: \$30

BALI SEA STAR

with Margaret Lambert

**Wednesday, Feb. 15th
5:30 - 7:30 pm**

One of our favorites at Calico Gals is Kim Brackett's book "Scrap Basket Surprises." The technique learned in this class can be used in many of the quilts in the book. Choose some goodies from your scrap basket or make it fast and easy to start with precut 2-1/2 strips. Learn some great tips for piecing triangles and making a piano key border. Leave class with at least one complete 12.5 X 12.5 inch block and a plan to finish your quilt. Confident beginners will love this class! Fee: \$20

EARLY BLOOMS RUG HOOKING

with Melonie Unger

**Monday, March 5th
10:30 am - 12:30 pm
or 5:30 - 7:30 pm**

Rug hooking is an old-fashioned craft that is gaining popularity again. Join Melonie and learn to rug hook with wool strips or needle punch with heavy yarn on a cloth base. Create a 17x17 floral mini rug or wallhanging beginning with instruction on transferring your pattern onto the base cloth. Then get busy hooking or punching your design! Experienced hookers and beginners will enjoy working on this project throughout the winter. Fee: \$20

BLESSINGS, TOO

with Gay Silkey

**First Thursday of every
month beginning Feb. 2nd
10:00 am - noon**

One of Calico Gals longest running and most popular clubs is expanding! Gay has decided to add Blessings 2 to her schedule because Blessings Club has been full for years! If you love hand embroidery - no matter what your skill level - come in in, sit a bit, chat a bit and stitch a bit! Fee: \$36 for a whole year of club meetings.

CANDICE - THE PERFECT PURSE

with Kathy Barden

**Saturday, March 3rd
10:30 am - 4:00 pm**

gloves and grocery lists. Practical and pretty, too! Learn about working with fusible batting and interfacings, the use of "D" rings in handles and "lazy girl" zipper insertions. Leave with an almost completed, professional looking purse and the knowledge to finish it at home. Fee: \$35

FELTED KNIT BOWLS

with Melonie Unger

**Monday, February 6th
10:30 am - 1:30 pm
or 5:30 - 8:30 pm**

WARNING! This project is very addicting! Start off with some simple knitting in wool yarn and end up with a beautiful and soft bowl. You will make lots and lots! Melonie will take you through the steps from yarn to bowl. Basic knitting skills recommended. Fee: \$25

BLOOMING NINE PATCH

with Sue Ellen Romanowski

**Wed. February 8th & 22nd
10:00 am - noon**

If you can make a 9 patch, then you can make it bloom! Sue Ellen has taught this quilt in a color theory/design class in the past. Now she is incorporating those lessons and adding a hands-on segment so you can design and sew your own Blooming Nine Patch. Learn to create the illusion of colors melting into one another. Start small and watch your quilt grow. Fee: \$38

BEATRICE THE BEAR

with Melonie Unger

**Sat. February 11th
10:30 am - 4:30 pm**

Everyone loves a teddy bear! Make a special memory gift when starting with articles of clothing or a special blanket. Learn tips on cutting out a pattern, sewing the pattern pieces together, stuffing the bear and closing the seam after stuffing. Choose a large or small size bear for your project. Fee: \$35

Candice is the perfect purse to carry all your things. Learn to make the innovative "Fat Pocket" with a faux gusset - it's great for bulky items: a tablet, eReader, journal or simply to keep your papers/receipts/coupons in order. The top is secured with a zipper while an outside slant pocket makes for easy access to

MY BEST FRIEND

with Debbie Butler Miller

**Sat. Feb. 4th & 25th
11:00 am - 4:00 pm**

The beautiful work of textile artist Debbie Butler Miller amazes all who see it. Join Debbie and learn to capture your best friend's joy of life forever in fabric. Class includes personalized pattern created especially for you from your photograph. In this two session class Debbie will share her technique of fusible applique and thread painting. Begin in Session 1 with a concentration on appliqué and color placement. Add dimension and shading with thread painting and bring your quilt to life in Session 2! Fee: \$65



TEXTURAL LANDSCAPE

with Sharon Bottle Souva

Tuesday, March 6th & 13th
5:30 - 8:30 pm

Learn to create original simple landscapes using techniques in appliqué, reverse appliqué, texture and random piecing while making a small original wall quilt. Experiment with these techniques and use them to enhance your pictorial quilted art. Sharon will demonstrate the use of freezer paper pattern making, teach composition and perspective, show quilting stitches using variegated threads and talk about creative binding options. This class is a great opportunity to work with a popular local fiber artist. Fee: \$50

More SEW TRASHY DENIM DUFFLE BAG

with Gay Silkey and Melonie Unger

Wednesday, March 7th
2:00 - 4:00 pm
or 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Denim is the perfect choice for recycle projects - it looks good, wears well and we have lots of it! Learn to deconstruct those jeans, cut your pattern pieces and create a duffle bag. Wonderful project and makes a great gift, too! Fee: \$20

Just a few of the fun clubs in 2012

PRINTS CHARMING RETURNS!

is still \$10 (regular \$15) and they get a month's preview before the packs go out in the store. Still only \$20 for the year. Begins in January.

New in 2012 - each month's pack will be our choice of a fun shape and variety of pre-cut fabrics. There will always be a sample to inspire. Members price per pack

BLOCK BUILDERS

Beginning in March - a classic block of the month. Choose one of 3 colorways or choose all three. Just \$8 a month gets fabric and pattern for your block. Optional club meeting on the second Tuesday and Saturday features block instruction and show-and-tell. Background/border finishing kits available.

Debra Gabel's

BUTTERFLIES

We loved the birds and the flowers - beginning in February are the butterflies! 12 months of kits include the fabric and pattern for an amazing quilt. Just \$12 a month.

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BINDING BASICS

with Sue Ellen Romanowski

Saturday, March 24th
10:30 am - 12:30 pm

New and experienced quilters! Learn the tips to finishing your quilt edges with traditional French double-fold binding. Lots of important information will be shared in this class including strip cutting, beginning, mitering corners, and making those smooth connections at the end. Sue Ellen will bring a small quilt for you to bind in class and keep for future reference. Learn a lot and head off to finish your own quilts! Fee: \$28 includes kit and handouts

SPICY SPIRAL TABLERUNNER

with Sue Ellen Romanowski

Wednesdays
March 14th & 28th
10:00 am - noon

Check out this fun, colorful, curvaceous tablerunner! It's a bargello that twists and shouts! Sue Ellen has taught the bargello square and round - now she's adding a spiral to her repertoire. The pattern has a few challenges, so it's best to get some help from someone with experience. Join this class and learn tips for choosing dynamic color combos, building strata, plus cutting and assembling the fabric wedges. Great class, great project! Fee: \$38

more in March

FEATHERED JEWELS HUMMINGBIRD WOOL TABLE MAT

with Melonie Unger

Wednesday, March 21st
10:30 am - 12:30 pm
or 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Winter is the perfect time to work on wool projects. This fun class features Melonie's practical tips for working with wool appliques. Learn the ins and outs of transferring designs, cutting, fusing and embroidery with wool. Your base will be ready and your stitching will be started in class. Create a beautiful hummingbird table mat or wallhanging that makes a wonderful gift! Fee: \$20

OH, HENRY! QUILT

with Margaret Lambert

Thursday, March 22nd
5:30 - 7:30 pm

Start with a fun fabric panel or large scale print, add 6 fat quarters, and just 22 simple seams later you'll have a quilt. Oh, my... Oh, Henry! This clever quilt goes together quick as a wink and a nod! Perfect for a kid's quilt and or choose the larger size and big folks will love it, too. Great project for confident beginners and intermediate quilters. Quilting experts will just have a blast with it! Leave the class with 1, 2, 3 or even all 4 rows of your top completed. Fee: \$20

FEATHER ADVENTURES MACHINE QUILTING

with Beth Broadway

Sat. March 31st
10:30 am - 2:30 pm

Beth loves quilting feathers! When she read Patsy Thompson's new book on machine quilting feathers, her mind was poppin' with ideas and a desire to share her passion of machine quilting with others. Learn to quilt feathers that softly curve around the outside border or create an amazing design that fills your background. Great hands-on class. Never be afraid of feathers again! Fee: \$38



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Clubs and activities all winter long!

GARDEN CLUB ALL THROUGH THE YEAR

with *Nina Dukette*

Does your machine do more than straight stitch, but that seems to be all you are doing? Discover more about the great features of your machine as you create a beautiful quilt, one block at a time. Learn something new each month! Techniques include quilting and creative machine applique. The ongoing series will be offered in 3 month sessions over the course of a year. Fee: \$35 per quarter.

This popular class is ongoing.

There are new openings in the class as students finish their quilt. Call to check on openings or to be added to the interest list.

Monday Club
10:00 am – 1:00 pm
or 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Jan. 16

Feb. 13

March 12

Thursday Club
5:30 – 8:30 pm

Jan. 19

Feb. 16

March 15

Fundamentals

Here's another fun idea... a Block of the Week!

Just \$12 to sign up for all year! Members receive a welcome pack with 3 complete layout patterns and a "Quilt Card" to help keep track of your blocks. Then pick up the weekly pattern and fabric for an 8-inch block for just \$3 - saving another dollar every week. Can't make it in? No worries - catch up anytime for just \$4 per block. This is a great deal for a beautiful quilt program.

Begins January 1st - jump in anytime.

Available in Syracuse, Oswego
and by mail order.

New! Earth to Quilter MACHINE EMBROIDERY EMBROIDA-BLOCK

with *Nina Dukette*

Tuesday winter meetings:
Feb. 21st, & March 20th
6:00 – 7:00 pm

Piece, embroider and quilt in the 4, 5, or 8 inch hoop of your embroidery machine and create many small projects or a whole quilt that combines each design. Join anytime and receive the software designs for all previous blocks. Fee: \$110 includes 8 months of meetings, all designs and a flash drive. See photos and videos at: www.hoopsisters.com.

Learn to Sew Classes
with *Margaret Lambert*

Make a pillow from a favorite T-shirt. Perfect class for the very beginner. Learn to use a sewing machine as you design your own pillow. Instruction includes cutting, pressing, fusing and layout. All supplies and use of sewing machine are included with class. Just bring a T-shirt - go home with a pillow! Invite a few friends and have fun with it! Fee: \$30.

Call the Syracuse store and ask for Margaret to schedule a class.

Or email:

margaret@calicogals.com

Join the gals on Facebook and
stay connected all winter long!
www.facebook.com/CalicoGals



NEW CLUB!

with *Melonie Unger and Marcia Evans*



**Last Sunday of the month all
year beginning: Jan. 29th,
Feb. 26th and March 25th**

3 one hour meetings begin at 12:30, 1:30 and 2:30. Stop in at your convenience for quilt instruction, fun, sharing and inspiration!

Lynette Jensen's new book, "Pattern Party" is so beautiful that Calico Gals decided to build a club around it! Make four exciting quilt projects throughout the year using the coordinating Thimbleberries fabrics or any fabrics you choose. Club includes four BONUS projects, a stitchery wall quilt and fun party recipes. Instructions for all projects are contained in one pattern book. One time fee: \$36 includes the book! Receive a free charm pack of coordinating fabrics when you sign up!

CALICO GALS' BOOK GROUP

with *Kathy Barden*
and *Nancy Graham*

**Tuesday, Jan 17th,
Feb. 21st or March 20th**
10:00 am – Noon

Do you love to read? Join Kathy and Nancy for the Calico gals Book Group. Read and discuss books with a "quilty" theme. No class fee. RSVP to reserve your spot.

LUCKY PENNY CLUB

with *Melonie Unger*

Upcoming Monday meetings:
Jan. 30th, Feb. 27th, March 26th
10:00 am – noon
or 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Stitch a small cotton and wool quilt one little bit at a time. Join the club and join the fun! Club includes pattern and fabric for one 4-1/2" block each month. One time fee: \$36