



“GEMS & JOY”



TRUNK SHOW (Approximately 60-75 minutes)

My "Gems & Joy" slide lecture and trunk show chronicle my 25-year adventure in learning how to create the biggest diamonds in the world using fabric.

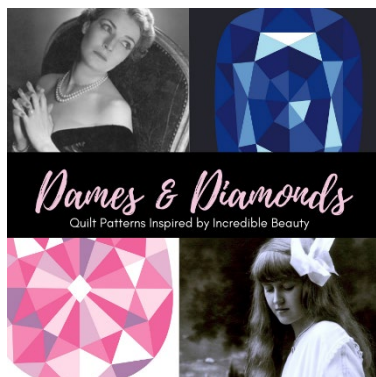
During my presentation, I'll talk about the techniques to create and assemble the hundreds of pieces in each diamond, materials I use to create the wash of color and light across a gem's surface, and the quilting techniques that enhance a gem's facets. And as so often happens with any artist's decades-long journey, I'll share what I've learned about the importance of choosing joy and saying "no" to fear as I made the leap from the Corporate Life to the Creative Life.

Length of Presentation: 60 minutes

Skill Level: N/A

Guild Price: \$450 (\$400 when a class is also scheduled)

“DAMES & DIAMONDS”



GUILD CLASS (Full-Day Class)

I'm delighted to introduce guild members to the technique I use to create all my gem patterns: traditional piecing using freezer paper as a template. I've designed three patterns inspired by some of the world's most beautiful gems, all of which are made available to class participants. Patterns are available as PDF downloads.

Participants will choose one of the fully-charted gem patterns to make during class to download and work on in class. During class, we'll not only create a quilt block of the patterns, but I'll share all kinds of gossip about the gems and their outrageous, eccentric, and intriguing owners.

Length of Workshop: 5-6 hours

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

Guild Price: \$750

Maximum Students: 25



Over the course of a single day-long session, students will learn how to:

- Learn about the codes and visual clues I use to help me piece a gem together.
- Learn about the dazzling variety of colored gemstones so that they can select the colors for their gem that bring them joy. (Hint: there are no wrong answers!)
- Understand how different types of fabrics impact the flow of light and color across a quilt design.
- Assemble the fabric facets to create their own 18"-square block.

Supply List:

- PDF patterns (supplied by instructor) printed onto 8.5" x 11" sheets of freezer paper (either self-made or commercially available from C&T Publishing. If self-made, either white or brown freezer paper are suitable.)
- Business-size envelopes or plastic baggies to hold sorted pieces (quantity will be either the same number of pattern sections or the number of colors used, whichever is greater)
 - The Clark Pink (7)
 - The Bismarck Sapphire (10)
 - The Duke Diamond (7)
- 2 Highlighters in different colors
- 18" ruler & Small ruler with a ¼" measurement
- Fabric marking pens/pencils for use on dark and light fabric
- Domestic sewing machine and thread assortment (neutrals or colors that match your fabrics)
- Scissors and rotary cutting tools (cutter and mat) Bring 2 rotary cutters if you want to cut paper with one and your fabric with another.
- Iron and ironing pad (or board)
- Fabric in a colorway of the student's choice. The instructor will provide a list of colorways in 3 different lines of solid fabrics (KONA, Moda Bella & Paintbrush Studio Fabrics) for convenience.

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