Hearts and Hands Project Bags Class July 2023

I was overwhelmed by the comments on this handy organizer for sewing project pieces. It is a fun bag to make and will prove very helpful in storing cut pieces until time to sew! I hope you enjoy making this bag with me at our July 15^{th} meeting! (We will begin at 9:30.)

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Supplies needed:

1. Project Bags 2.0 pattern from ByAnnie.com runs about \$10, but has complete instructions for 4 size bags. We will be making the LARGE one in our class. The By Annie company encourages guilds and quilt groups to teach classes, but does require each student to purchase their own patterns and not photocopy or share them. Thank you for understanding!

The pattern can be purchased at www.ByAnnie.com, Find X Designs in Sanford, Cary Quilting Company (www.caryquilting.com) for \$10.95

- 2. Materials found on the back of the pattern envelope as follows:
 - a. Main fabric (for base of bag) fat quarter
 - b. Lining fabric (for lining, or part that shows thru the vinyl pocket) fat quarter
 - c. Coordinating fabric (for the borders, bindings, handle and zipper pull) 1/3 yard
 - d. OPTION 1: assorted fabrics for the pieced bottom border) 8 fabric scraps to cut 8 3-3/4" x 2-1/8" rectangles

OR

OPTION 2: contrasting fabric – fat eighth to cut a 4-1/2" 13-1/2" piece

- e. ByAnnie's Soft and Stable or BOSAL fusible foam or similar foam thickness batting –
 15" x15" piece
- f. Fusible interfacting 1/3 yard
- g. $Vinyl 7-1/2" \times 13-1/2"$ piece
 - ***The guild will provide the vinyl for the class. **
- h. One 15-1/2" or larger nylon zipper for the front window. ByAnnie handbag zippers are preferred for this project. Check out www.byAnnie.com, Find X Designs in Sanford, or Cary Quilting Company
- i. Thread to match fabrics

j. Your sewing machine and kit of essential tools. See Recommended supplies on page 1 of the pattern.

Notes:

For this class, I will be asking students to purchase the above items and complete the first few steps at home before the class.

I find it is helpful to print out the sheet of labels included for the LARGE size project bag and attach them to each piece as it is cut. This just will make it quicker and easier to identify pieces as we assemble the bag.

So I will need everyone to cut out their pieces (and clip labels to them)- Step I, A.,

Step B- Quilt the 15x15 inch Body Main, Body Lining and Body Stabilizer pieces before class.

Step C – Cut quilted fabric and seal cut edges with a 1/8 inch seam around this piece.

We will begin the class with II. Prepare Components, A. Prepare Zipper.

(You can also complete Section II, B. Fuse Interfacings, C. Prepare Handle, and D. Prepare Zipper Pull.)

You have the option on the bottom border to include one of two options,

OPTION 1 – pieced border of assorted fabrics or

OPTION 2 – contrasting border consisting of one long piece of fabric.

If you choose OPTION 1, please complete Step II, E Prepare Border (p. 4) and bring with you to class.