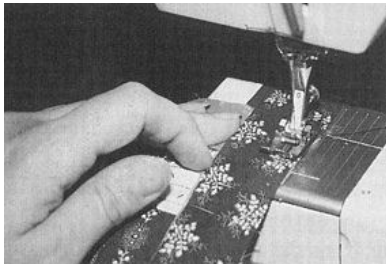
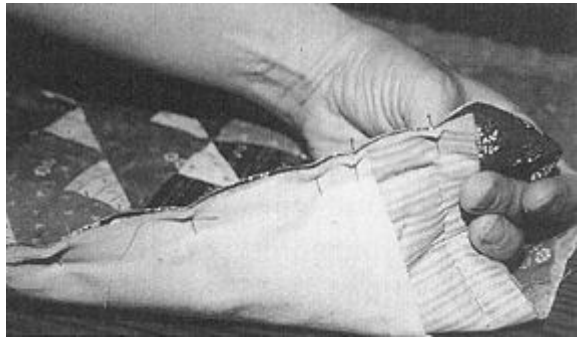


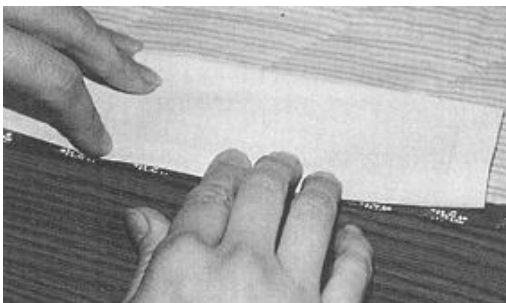
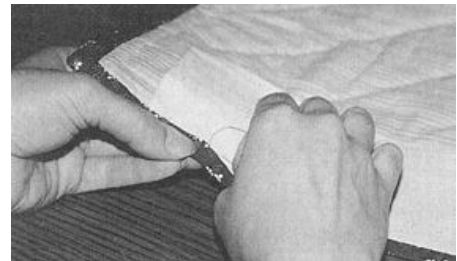
Making a Permanent Quilt Sleeve

Cut a wide strip of muslin or other sleeve fabric slightly shorter than the finished width of the quilt. The width of the muslin strip is determined by the size of the rod or dowel you'll use, but most exhibitions require a sleeve at least 4" wide. This means cutting a strip 9" wide allowing for seams and added fullness. Press the short ends 1/4" to the wrong side and edge stitch to finish them. Fold the fabric in half lengthwise with wrong sides together. Place the strip on the top edge of the quilt back, and raw edges aligned. Pin it in place, as shown.



Now stitch the binding to the quilt in the usual way, stitching through the binding plus four layers along the top edge (quilt top, batting, backing and sleeve). Remove the pins as your sew.

Trim the remaining edges of the quilt, turn the binding to the back and blindstitch it, as shown. The top edge of the sleeve is now stitched securely to the binding.



Lift the hanging sleeve and fold the top layer back down keeping the folded edge even with the quilt top. Finger press along the folded edge, as shown.

Blindstitch the bottom edge of your tube to the backing fabric. Your quilt is ready to hang for display!

