Portrait Quilt Workshop Supply List

Materials:

Two weeks prior to class, please send 2-3 photos of faces you would like to recreate in a quilt. Lea will choose the best one for this class and prepare a paper photocopy just for you. Let's keep it simple for this first project. Choose a close up photo with high resolution where the face is well lit. Send digital photos to lea@leamccomas.com. Please put "photos for portrait workshop- (your city or guild name)" in the subject line.

Things to bring to class:

- A light box (If the classroom has adequate windows, they may be used in lieu of a light box)
- A plain piece of muslin about 18" x 20
- 5 fat quarters of fabrics in the same color, but different values: 1 very light, 1 very dark, 1 in the middle, and 1 between middle and light, 1 between middle and dark. If you want to play safe, go with grays or flesh tones. If you feel like living dangerously, go with bright, or non-face colors. Your person may be green with envy, feeling blue, or tickled pink. Stay away from large or high contrast prints. We will discuss how to select fabrics in day 1 of class so that you can make adjustments as needed before cutting out pieces on day 2 Lea will have a limited number of fabric kits available in pink and peach, along with fat quarters suitable for animal fur.
- 1 fat quarter for backing. This can be anything. Surprise us.
- a mechanical pencil
- Highlighter
- Freezer Paper, 15 in x 3 ft should be enough.
- Red colored pencil with hand sharpener
- 3-4 Large, & 1-2 small Envelopes or ziploc bags to organize and store cut out pieces.
- **Eraser** for pencil marks
- Scissors for various tasks: cutting paper, cutting fabric, cutting small areas and tight curves (embroidery scissors work well here)
- Tweezers
- **Tape**; masking or painters
- **Batting** approx. 18" x 20"
- 2 yards of lightweight fusible web. (I recommend Misty Fuse or Steam-a-Seam Lite 2)
- Teflon pressing sheet
- 1 dozen safety pins

These things will be provided at the class:

- Full size photocopy from which to make your pattern
- Notes for photo editing

These things will be available for purchase at the workshop:

- Fusible web (Misty Fuse 12" wide \$2/yd; Steam-a-Seam 2 Lite 12" wide \$2.25)
- Teflon pressing sheet (\$15)
- Teflon iron shoe (\$15)
- Serrated scissors (\$20)
- Fabric and thread packs (available in beige, brown, peach, pink, gray) (\$15 ea)
- Lea's book, Thread Painted Portraits. (instruction for fused applique included in this book)(\$20)