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- All materials and machines are provided for making each item.
- All classes to be held in the Fabric & Threads department located on the 2nd Floor of the Varied Industries Building.
- Classes are limited to 12 participants in the Main Classroom, 10 participants in the Auxiliary classroom.
- Class registration does NOT include admission into the Fair

	Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday
	18-Aug		19-Aug		20-Aug		21-Aug		22-Aug		23-Aug
Time	Main	Auxiliary	Main	Auxiliary	Main	Auxiliary	Main	Auxiliary	Main	Auxiliary	Auxiliary
9:00 AM								Beginning Knitting			Needlepoint Ornament Tree Blue Ribbon ANG
9:30 AM											
10:00 AM	Embroidery with Jean: Bookmark	Rope Bowl Keri/Ellen	Fair Spirit Tote	ASG Zipper Bags	Bowl Cozy	Wool Applique Holiday Ornament	SoHo Tote		Decoupage Fabric Plates	Fun Fabric Baskets	
10:30 AM											
11:00 AM											
11:30 AM								Beginning Crochet			
12:00 PM	Fair Spirit Snap Pouch		Embroidery with Jean: Pin Cushion	ASG Zipper Bags	Fair Spirit Tote		Fair Spirit Snap Pouch		Fair Spirit Tote		Needlepoint Ornament Star Blue Ribbon ANG
12:30 PM											
1:00 PM											
1:30 PM								Beginning Knitting			
2:00 PM	Decoupage Fabric Plates	Leaf Bowl Keri/Ellen		Fun Fabric Baskets	Embroidery with Jean: Mini Hoop	Sashiko Stitching for Beginners	Embroidery with Jean: Bookmark			Fair Spirit Snap Pouch	
2:30 PM											
3:00 PM											
3:30 PM			Stash Bash					Beginning Crochet	Stash Bash		
4:00 PM											
4:30 PM	Racer Quilt		Racer Quilt	Reading Pillow Sparkle and Stitch	Racer Quilt		Racer Quilt			Racer Quilt	Reusable Bowl Cover Sparkle and Stitch
5:00 PM											
5:30 PM											

IOWA STATE FAIR FABRIC & THREADS CLASSES

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ART YOU CAN USE: THE FABRIC DECOUPAGE WORKSHOP

Elevate your home décor. Join us for a class to transform cotton fabrics and clear glass into stunning, functional art.



Why Sign Up?

Pro Results: Master the “reverse decoupage” method for a high-gloss, gallery finish.

Fully Functional: Learn to use dishwasher-safe seals so your creations are ready for dinner guests.

100's of designs: Choose from a large selection of premium cotton fabrics.

By the end of the class you'll have transformed a plain piece of glass into a functional masterpiece—like a decorative plate—that looks boutique-bought but was handmade by you.

This technique is easy to master and results in a beautifully finished, completely unique plate. They make fantastic serving pieces or are perfect for giving as a thoughtful, handmade gift!

Just bring your creativity and leave with a finished treasure you'll be proud to use or gift!

Class fee includes instruction and all materials needed to complete the two plates.

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Skill Level: Beginner-friendly.

Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Time: 2-hour class

Class Offerings

- Saturday, August 15 – 10 am
- Tuesday, August 18 – 2 pm
- Saturday, August 22 – 10 am

ASG ZIPPER BAGS

Join members of the American Sewing Guild to make a zipper bag. This teaches skills that are transferable to garment sewing such as linings and zippers. You will leave class with a fun completed project.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

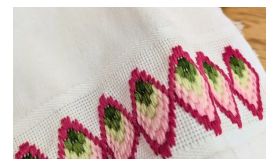
Cost: 20.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Thursday, August 13 – 12 pm
- Thursday, August 13 – 2 pm
- Wednesday, August 19 – 10 am
- Wednesday, August 19 – 12 pm

BEGINNING BARGELLO

Unlock the vibrant world of Bargello needlepoint in this hands-on class designed for beginners and makers ready to try something new! Bargello is a stunning geometric stitching technique known for bold color transitions and rhythmic wave-like patterns.



Join Amanda with Prairie Rose Needleworks and stitch a chic border that transforms an everyday towel into a handmade treasure. All materials included.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 40.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Monday, August 17 – 1 pm

BEGINNING CROCHET

In this class students will learn how to make a chain and single crochet. With these basic stitches many wonderful pieces can be made and the knowledge gained can be used to master other crochet techniques and stitches. If time allows other stitches will be taught.

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 20.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Friday, August 21 – 11 am
- Friday, August 21 – 3 pm

BEGINNING KNITTING

Join members of the Des Moines Knitting Guild for a learn to knit make and take class. Learn how to knit the basic knit stitch and read a pattern to create a mug mat or cell phone case.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 15.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Friday, August 21 – 9 am
- Friday, August 21 – 1 pm

BEGINNING TATting

Join two ISF ribbon winners for an introductory tatting class. We will be teaching the tatting stitch which is one stitch with two movements. By the end of class you will be able to complete a chain and ring. Includes tatting shuttle and lengths of two different colors of thread.



Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 20.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Saturday, August 15 – 10 am
- Saturday, August 15 – 1:30 pm

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BOWL COZY WORKSHOP

Tired of burning your fingers on hot soup bowls? Join us for a fun, quick sewing session where you'll make your own reversible microwave-safe bowl cozy! Whether you're a sewing pro or just starting out, this project is the perfect way to use up your favorite cotton scraps or fat quarters.



This workshop is designed to teach you how to create a practical, reversible, and microwave-safe bowl cozy in under two hours. By using 100% cotton materials, these cozies act as built-in potholders, allowing you to handle hot bowls safely right out of the microwave.

Skill Level: Beginner-friendly.

All supplies are provided with the class.

Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Time: 2-hour class

Class Offerings

- Monday, August 17 – 2 pm
- Thursday August 20 – 10 am

EMBROIDERY (MACHINE) WITH JEAN

The former Editor-in-Chief of Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting—will lead hands-on Machine Embroidery “make and take” classes featuring pincushions, mini hoop art, and corner bookmarks. These sessions are designed for everyone from beginners to advanced sewers, with all supplies provided.

Pincushions: Learn to create a fully finished pincushion entirely within the embroidery hoop.

Mini Hoop Art: Master the technique of scaling and centering intricate designs to fit small, decorative display hoops.

Corner Bookmarks: A popular beginner project where the machine stitches a functional pocket that slips over the corner of book pages.

Skill Level: Absolute Beginner (No experience required!)

Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Time: 2-hour class

Class Offerings

Pin Cushions

- Thursday, August 13 – 2 pm
- Wednesday, August 19 – 12 pm

Mini Hoop Art

- Friday, August 14 – 2 pm
- Thursday, August 20 – 2 pm

Corner Bookmark

- Tuesday, August 18 – 10 am
- Friday, August 21 – 2 pm

FAIR SPIRIT TOTE

Show off your Fair Spirit! Create a fun and useful tote bag out of exclusive Fair Spirit fabrics.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Class Offerings

- Thursday, August 13 – 12 pm
- Saturday, August 15 – 12 pm
- Monday, August 17 – 12 pm
- Wednesday, August 19 – 10 am
- Thursday, August 20 – 12 pm
- Saturday, August 22 – 12 pm



FAIR SPIRIT SNAP POUCH

Show off your Fair Spirit! Create a fun and useful snap pouch out of exclusive Fair Spirit fabrics.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Class Offerings

- Friday, August 14 – 10 am
- Sunday, August 16 – 10 am
- Tuesday, August 18 – 12 pm
- Friday, August 21 – 12 pm
- Saturday, August 22 – 2 pm



FUN FABRIC BASKETS!

Make a cute little reversible basket perfect for everything! Made from just two 10” squares of fabric. Very easy to create. Three different size options and lots of fabric options to choose from.

A great option for keeping track of all those small things.

- sewing notions like binding clips or safety pins
- small pieces of jewelry
- odds and ends
- kids toys

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit to make one basket!

Class Offerings

- Thursday, August 13 – 10 am
- Wednesday, August 19 – 2 pm
- Saturday, August 22 – 10 am

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LEAF BOWL

Join two members of the Warren County Piecemakers to make a scrappy leaf bowl. This multicolored leaf can be molded into a bowl to use for keys, candy or just decoration. You will be amazed at how easy this is to make and the endless possibilities of what you can create!

Time: 2.5-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 30.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Friday, August 14 – 10 am
- Tuesday, August 18 – 2 pm



NEEDLEPOINT CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENT

Join members of the Blue Ribbon chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild to learn needlepoint stitches to create a tree ornament.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 20.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Sunday, August 23 – 9:30 am



NEEDLEPOINT STAR ORNAMENT

Join members of the Blue Ribbon chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild to learn needlepoint stitches to create a star ornament.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 15.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Sunday, August 23 – 12 pm



RACER QUILTS

Sew Fast, Sew Fun! Race to the Iowa State Fair! Think you can't quilt? Think again! Join us for a high-speed quilt challenge and make your own Racer Quilt Top! Perfect for beginners or anyone wanting a fun, fast project.

When: Every afternoon of the Fair starting at 4:30 pm

Cost: \$30.00 (Includes all materials & machine usage)

Time: 2-hour class

Agers 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Top speed sewers win great prizes- Check out all the prizes at the Fabric and Thread Department.

Sponsored by Patrick Lose Fabrics, the Warm Company, Aurifil Thread and LDH Scissors.

READING PILLOW

Get ready for summer reading and make your very own reading pillow. Join Ashley with Sparkle & Stitch Studio to create a reading pocket pillowcase to easily store your current favorite book or journal. This is a kid friendly project!

We will create a 16" pillowcase that has a pocket on the front to store your books while you're not reading. A variety of fabrics will be available to choose from. (Pillow forms will be available for purchase.)

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 35.00

Class Offerings

- Wednesday, August 19 – 4 pm



REUSABLE BOWL COVER

Join us for an eco-friendly sewing lesson where students will learn how to create their own reusable bowl covers. During this session, Ashley with Sparkle & Stitch Studio will walk you through 2 methods of making these, and you can choose the option that works best for you. All supplies are provided for you during the class.

Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 35.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Thursday, August 13 – 4 pm
- Saturday, August 22 – 4 pm



ROPE BOWL

Join two members of the Warren County Piecemakers to make a rope bowl. This bowl can be made different sizes to use for keys, candy or just decoration. You will be amazed at how easy this is to make and the endless possibilities of what you can create!

Time: 2.5-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 30.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Friday, August 14 – 2 pm
- Tuesday, August 18 – 10 am



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SASHIKO STITCHING FOR BEGINNERS

Learn the ancient art of Japanese Sashiko hand stitching in this beginner-friendly session. Your class kit includes everything needed to begin: two needles, thread, thimble, a 12" x 12" starter panel, and complete instructions. You will learn the foundational techniques of this beautiful "slow stitching" tradition. Your finished panel can later be transformed into a small pouch or sewing kit for future projects. While we stitch, participants will also enjoy a brief introduction to the history and uses of Sashiko. Students will have several different beginner design kits to choose from.

Time: 2.5-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 39.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Sunday, August 16 – 1:30 pm
- Thursday, August 20 – 1:30 pm



SASHIKO COASTERS

There's a quiet rhythm to sashiko—simple stitches, repeated patterns, and that steady, calming flow. In this class, you'll be introduced to traditional Japanese sashiko using beautifully designed Cosmo Sashiko coaster kits.

Join Amanda with Prairie Rose Needleworks as she covers the basics as you stitch your way through classic patterns, creating a set of coasters that are both practical and thoughtfully handmade. It's approachable, a little meditative, and easy to settle into—even if you've never stitched before.

In this class:

Learn foundational sashiko techniques

- Practice even stitching and pattern flow
- Start a set of finished (or nearly finished) coasters
- All materials are included, with everything prepared so you can start stitching right away.

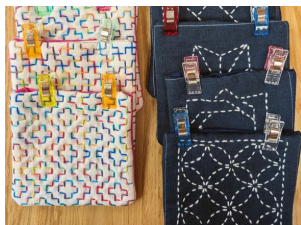
Time: 2-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 40.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Monday, August 17 – 10 am



SEW YOUR FIRST PILLOWCASE WITH PATRICK LOSE!

Join us for a fun, hands-on workshop designed for absolute beginners.

Learn the Basics: Master your sewing machine—from threading the needle to making your first final stitches.

The Project: Create a professional, fast and easy pillowcase from scratch in just one session.

Fabric Included: Choose from a huge collection of designer studio fabrics.

Skill Level: Absolute Beginner (No experience required!)

Bonus: Materials for additional pillowcases will be available for purchase.

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Time: 2-hour class

Class Offerings

- Thursday, August 13 – 10 am
- Sunday, August 16 – 12 pm



THE SOHO URBAN TOTE WORKSHOP

Elevate Your Everyday Style. Turn Patrick's SOHO panel into a cute and useful tote bag. Whether you're heading to the market or the office, this bag is as sturdy as it is stylish.

All materials & machines provided!

Skill Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Time: 2-hour class

Class Offerings

- Sunday, August 16 – 2 pm
- Friday, August 21 – 10 am



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START SEWING WITH STATE FAIR SCRUNCHIES!

Tired of losing your hair ties? Make your own trendy, hair-friendly scrunchies in our scrunchie workshop! No experience needed—we walk you through threading the machine to the final stitch. Two custom scrunchies will be completed in this class. Choose from hundreds of fabrics

All materials & machines provided!

Skill Level: Absolute Beginner (No experience required!)

Ages 10+. Children must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Cost: 25.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Time: 2-hour class

Class Offerings

- Friday, August 14 – 12 pm
- Monday, August 17 – 10 am



WOOL APPLIQUE HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS: GINGERBREAD FRIENDS

Celebrate Christmas at the Fair by creating this adorable pair of gingerbread friends. This project is a perfect introduction to wool applique and creative stitching, combining the basics of wool applique with an opportunity to practice simple stitches considered foundational to embroidery. The class kit includes all materials needed for both ornaments.

Time: 2.5-hour class

Skill Level: Beginner

Cost: 39.00 — Includes your complete project kit!

Class Offerings

- Sunday, August 16 – 10 am
- Thursday, August 20 – 10 am



STASH BASH!

Tired of the same fabric in your stash? Turn 3 Fat Quarters into 30! Join us for a fast-paced night of Left-Right-Center, the addictive dice game where your 'chips' are quilting fabric. Bring three high-quality fat quarters you're ready to part with, and you might go home with the entire pot. No sewing machines required—just luck!

Entry Fee: 3 high-quality cotton fat quarters (18" x 21").

Bring your own or pick up 3 in the ISF studio shop.

How the Game Works

The Setup: Everyone forms a circle with their 3 fat quarters.

The Roll: On your turn, roll three specialized LRC dice. The number of dice you roll matches the number of fat quarters you still have (up to 3).

The Moves:

- L (Left): Pass 1 fat quarter to the person on your left.
- R (Right): Pass 1 fat quarter to the person on your right.
- C (Center): Place 1 fat quarter into the "Center Pot".
- Dot: Keep your fat quarter!

No Fabric?: You aren't out! If you run out of fabric, you skip your turn rolling, but you stay in the game because someone might pass you a fat quarter from their roll.

The Winner: The last person left with fabric in their hands wins the entire center pot.

Why Show Up?

Extreme Stash Potential

The "buy-in" is small, but the payoff is massive.

Since each player contributes 3 fat quarters, the winner of a single round can walk away with dozens of high-quality fabrics.

No fee to enter. Must either bring 3 fat quarters or purchase fat quarters from the studio shop to play.

Class Offerings

- Saturday, August 15 – 3 pm
- Wednesday, August 19 – 3 pm
- Saturday, August 22 – 3 pm

