

SUPPLY LIST FOR: 7012 – Practical Quilt Restoration; Care, Repair and Dating of Old Quilts

CLASS DESCRIPTION: *Do you love old quilts...but feel at an absolute loss trying to decide their age and pattern names? Maybe you wonder whether to finish your old tops and blocks into quilt. Or perhaps you have an old piece you'd like to repair or restore. This class will help you learn quick, easy guidelines to dating quilts and other textiles by their style, fabrics, construction and patterns. We'll also discuss and demonstrate cleaning and repair/restoration methods that anyone, with care, can do. Bring your old quilts, tops and blocks to show; you'll view samples from a collection of antique textiles dating from the early 19th century to the present.*

Supply List: You will need basic sewing supplies like sharp scissors, thread (off-white, tan and/or black silk—thinnest you can find), pins and the largest-sized needle you feel comfortable working with. (size 9-12 is good.) Also bring a pair of tweezers (the longer, the better) and a magnifying glass, if at all possible. If you can, bring an iron and ironing surface – and share them with a friend. The instructor will bring tweezers, fusible, magnifiers and her book, the FABRIC DATING KIT, for sale. (See examples of these at the Brickworks website, <http://www.cindybrick.com>.)

Also Needed: A few old quilts, tops and blocks you would like to have analyzed, either for date or condition. Damaged textiles are ok, too – do let the instructor know if you would be willing to have them used for demo work.