

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### Textile Explorations 18+) 4 Week

**Instructor: Kelley Aitken**

Friday, July 5 - 26, 6 - 9 pm

#### **Class 1: Stitch Meditations**

- Using a variety of patterned and varied weights of fabric pieces, students will create stitched fabric collages.

#### **Class 2: Printing on Fabric**

- Cutting a small lino block for repeat printing on fabric, students will learn how to print on fabric. Students may bring a plain t-shirt or canvas to print on. Plain cotton will be provided. Creating acetate drawings for solar dye.

#### **Class 3: Washi and Konnyaku**

- Students will create sewn collages or tapestry using Japanese paper. Stitching with thread on painted surfaces. (NB: depending on weather this day, we may dive into solar dye)

#### **Class 4: Acid Dye on Silk**

- Students will have stitched or tied a pattern into their piece of silk. Dye vats will be set up. If there is sufficient sun for Solar Dye on Cotton we will expose fabric squares to the sun. Students will bring pressed plant material or lace or other transparent or flat perforated items or drawings on acetate.

## MATERIAL LIST

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Items in **bold** are required for the first class.

- **Thimble**
- Other materials to be discussed first class. We will do a sun dye project and will ask students to gather and press plant materials, or bring old lace doilies etc.

All material sizes are approximate. Please retain your receipts in case exchanges or returns are needed. On your first day of class, your instructor may recommend additional optional materials. Our Instructors will do their best to accommodate alternative materials whenever possible.

Suggested retailers for purchasing your art materials:

Aboveground Art Supplies (discount code: AGOSTUDENT10), DeSerres, Gwartzman's, Michaels, or your local art supply store.