



# *Sandy Simmelink*

*Fibre Artist and Teacher in the Art of Fine Quilting*

## **Lectures (Virtual/Slideshow or In Person)**



### **Sandy's Trunk Show**

Learn more about Sandy and how she began quilting, and admire past and present work via slideshow or in person.

#### **Slideshow:**

Slideshow of Sandy's work from when she began quilting, to present day.

The slideshow includes photos of entire quilts, as well as close-up photos of more detailed work.

#### **In person:**

Quilts will be hung around the venue for viewers to get up close and appreciate the details. Sandy's pieces feature a wide variety of quilts and quilting styles: pieced, appliquéd, crazy quilting, quilt embellishment, 3D flowers, beading, paint work etc.

Please note: For in person lectures, in order for my quilts to hang throughout the evening, your guild must provide a long row of tables with 2 chairs on top of each - as many as your guild has available would be ideal. This way, Sandy can hang her quilts from the backs of chairs without having to be held up (she will provide the bulldog clips)

- Length: 1.25 - 1.5 hours
- Cost: \$225 plus \$.25 per kilometer mileage



## Custom Lecture

Is your guild celebrating a certain milestone? Need a lecture to inspire artists on any fibre related topic? Sandy can customize a memorable lecture for you!

- Length: 1 hour
- Cost: \$250 plus \$.25 per kilometer mileage



## Taking Stock

It's important to not only do your best work, but know how to strategically plan what projects you will undertake in the future. This lecture is an inspiring look at Sandy's journey and what she has learned along the way. She'll provide insights, explain why "taking stock" of your situations is important, and will encourage Students on their own quilting journey.

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## Tactile meets Tech

"Tactile Meets Tech" explores the technique Sandy uses to turn creative abstract photos into art quilts that take the viewer into the 21st century where traditional quilt making and computer technology meet! Don't think EQ quilting... think **kaleidoscope pictures + computer manipulation + creating fabric + printing + quilting on a domestic machine + embellishments = a finished piece!** Using this technique, Sandy has created many different pieces - all with their own themes! This class is extremely eye-opening, and shows you that there is a lot more to quilting than meets the eye!

Sandy will share many resources to help Students spark their creativity, too!

- Length: 1 hour
- Cost: \$225 plus



## Turning Your Own Designs into Reality

This lecture is meant to inspire quilters to step out and design quilts that are original and personal to them - to look into their past histories, strengths and unique hobbies to create something wonderful. Either in person, or slideshow/virtual, Sandy will bring design boards to give the Students a well rounded explanation of how and where her ideas come from. For several of her award winning quilts, Sandy will take the group through step by step design and execution.

This lecture is a terrific preview to the "Turning Your Own Designs into Reality" class.

Often, guilds hire Sandy to do this lecture, and then teach the class the next day.

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## **Working Small / Advanced Needleturn Appliqué**

In this interactive lecture, Sandy shares advanced appliqué tips, and shows Students how these techniques are used on very small blocks and quilts.

Using some favourite in person teaching resources as slides, she shares the secrets to making 1/8" bias binding, circles smaller than your baby fingernail, tips for easily applying leaves right next to tree branches, and sharp points and deep valleys. Students are encouraged to bring your tough appliqué questions, and Sandy will give them tips and advice on how to execute!

- Length: 1 hour
- Cost: \$225 plus



## **Working Small / The Making of a Mini**

This fun presentation has two purposes: to help viewers understand visually what a true miniature is compared to a small quilt, and takes the viewer on a journey from idea to design decisions and creation of a miniature quilt.

Sandy shares stories including purchasing beautiful fabric in NYC, and encourages Students to design and create miniature quilts that they and their family will enjoy for generations to come.

- Length: 1 hour
- Cost: \$225 plus



## Design and Create your Journey

We all are on a quilting journey - that's what brings us together! To share and celebrate that journey, Sandy explores what paths we take, what stops us, and what energizes us in different directions. She explains how documenting family memories, travels, history, and unique fabrics has inspired her to make some of her award winning quilts.

Sandy challenges Students to think: What shapes your journey and what are you missing? Includes a summary of many of Sandy's award winning quilts, and a wonderful set of pictures from her travels to New York City.

- Length: 1 hour
- Cost: \$225 plus



## "SOS" - SAVE OUR FAMILY STORIES

We all have stories that we want to preserve - from the past, present, and future! In this lecture, Sandy shares ideas how to preserve these memories - including vacations, journalling on the go, researching family history, or dedicating a quilt to honour a family member. She'll teach Students what ideas and design tools they'll need, and how to include textures and photographs to tell the story.

Sandy will share a number of her quilts, including two with stories of historical importance: One depicting the life of a Canadian soldier in WW1, and the other depicting the life of a Dutch boy in hiding during WW2 in the Netherlands.

Words are fleeting. A picture is worth 1000 words, and a quilt is worth 1000 pictures.

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