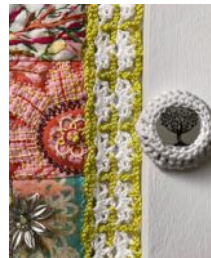


Recent Artwork

Lately, I've been playing with the Gelli Plate. Making monoprints on fabric from a painted gelatin surface is serendipitous, colorful, and could be the start of a beautiful series. Without a real plan or too much skill, you could dive into the unknown with fabulous results! A few acrylic paint colors and a daisy stencil inspired this work in progress:



Monoprinted fabrics adorned with embroidery, tating, crochet, beads and found objects.

Subscribe to my Youtube Channel to be notified when a series of videos on fabric printing with a small Gelli plate will be released.



Highlights

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Giles. Buffy's watcher.
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The Airstream Factory

Seaming & Streaming: [Alumapalooza Rally Jackson Center, OH](#)



The vast Kansas sky
Ohio Bound



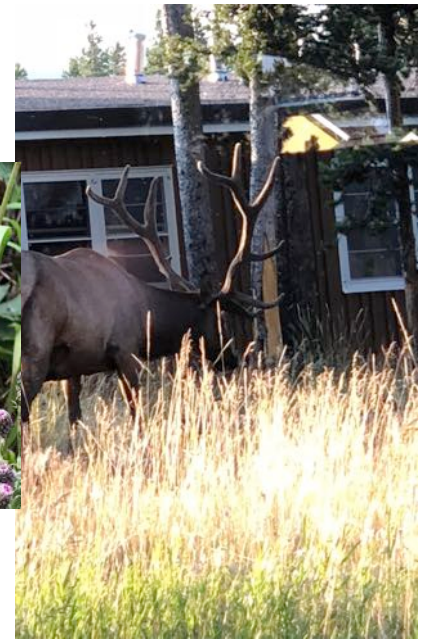
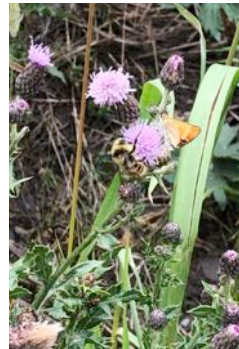
Being on the road lends itself to lots of hand stitching. I made this little art piece and put together kits for the Alumapalooza swap meet. They sold out quickly! Nice to find fellow stitchers on the road. Who could resist though, with the trailer made from tire covers and the hubcap made from a rivet picked up right off the airstream factory floor!

Inspired by Nature



White stag. Machine stitched from drawing. Hand stitched elements.

I've been working on this stag remembering the Minnesota woods as a child. While in Yellowstone last week, I took these two photos which of course will lead me back into finishing this piece. Looks like I need to stitch a bee and a butterfly coexisting on a thistle.



The PAINTS:

After much experimentation, here are my favorites:



Liquitex and Amsterdam soft body paints come in lots of colors and give smooth application. Golden Open paints are long lasting for more detailed fabric printing.

Products for the Project

Gelli Printing

The PLATES:

You can make your own plates with gelatin, but they must be stored in the refrigerator and only last a short time. So here are the brands of plates that can be used indefinitely:



The ADDITIVES:

I find textiles paints can get gloppy more quickly sitting in the bottle. So these are what I use:



Gac900 can be added to make a paint textile friendly. Start with 50/50 and play from there.

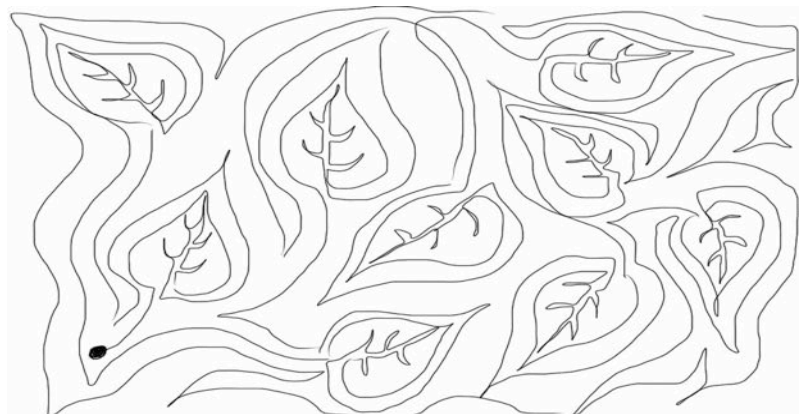
Golden airbrush medium can help thin paint and add translucency.



Fabulous Free Motion

Here's an all-over quilting pattern I developed that can be used for background texture of any shape and size. Remember to practice with pencil first to ingrain the design in your mind

Start at the black dot. One thread. No stops!



Retreating

Retreating is a time where you can escape the daily grind, relax in a nurturing environment, and make great new friends as you share ideas and techniques with each other. Taking this time to explore your own creativity without the distractions of daily living is the biggest gift you can give yourself, and it would be my honor to be a part of that. Please contact me at:

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Advanced Hand Stitching Retreat

Cabin At Trout Creek, Buena Vista, CO

Thursday, September 13 to Sunday September 16, 2018

\$700

All meals, lodging, kits, instruction and camaraderie included.
No sewing machines necessary.

THERE ARE A COUPLE SPOTS AVAILABLE. CALL ASAP!



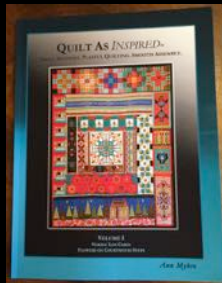
We will be making hand crafted journals to keep the stitches learned.
These include the following:

**Tatting * oya * stumpwork * fabricgami * curved piecing
Pieced hexies * glue collage * needle weaving, needle sketching**

Coming Soon!

Quilt As Inspired; Vol. II

That 70's Quilt
Stash & Scrap Busting
Upcycle with Fabric



Book 2 is underway! I'll be bringing you lots more techniques and ideas for what to do with all that fabric (and yarn!) (and stash!)

The current goal is to publish by Spring, 2019

Cross Craft Sundays

Subscribe to my Youtube channel:

"Quilt As Inspired"

The next project starts November.
"little birdie"



Whether you succeed or not is irrelevant, there is no such thing.
Making your unknown known is the important thing.

Georgia O'Keeffe