

BEAD EMBELLISHED WOOL COLLAGE

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We'll create felted wool appliqué motifs which can be attached to the main background by several methods; hand or machine blanket stitch and 'bead appliqué'. The supply list includes all 3 methods. Feel free to bring only the items you wish to work with for the appliqué process. Questions?? Email me: mary@marystori.com

SUPPLY LIST:

- * An assortment of felted wool (poly/wool blend) or 100% felted wool, in a variety of colors. (Two pieces should be about 18" squares (or larger) for the background & the backing/edging section - contrasting colors can add interest, plus smaller pieces for your design motifs.) **NOTE: It's not necessary to work with the more expensive 100% wool, an 80/20 poly/wool (by National Nonwovens, available at chain fabric stores such as JoAnn's or Hobby Lobby) works well, as does Moda's blend.**
- * 50-100 buttons: NOT required but fun to use. Consider bringing white, ivory, oyster shell, or pearlized or other colors with high contrast to main rug fabric. Button sizes or number of holes do not need to be consistent.
- * beads - a variety of seed beads (bugles too if desired) to match or contrast with fabrics and buttons
- * paper backed fusible adhesive, (such as Wonder-Under, but NOT Steam-a-Seam), and a teflon press sheet or fabric press cloth
- * lightweight non-fusible stabilizer such as; Sulky Tear-Easy or a sew-in nonwoven lightweight garment interfacing - (Mary will have some in class for sale)
- * freezer paper - for templates and layout/design planning
- * white thread or glue stick for basting (if you choose not to fuse)
- * Nymo beading thread - consider white, black, or gray as a neutral choice
- * thread or embroidery floss of your choice if you wish blanket stitch edges by hand or machine
- * hand sewing needles: embroidery, 1 small quilting between for beading
- * straight pins
- * paper and fabric scissors for detail cutting
- * pencil for tracing

OPTIONAL:

- * rotary cutting equipment & see-thru rulers
- * wave blade rotary cutter
- * Ott light and extension cord
- * sewing machine with open-toe embroidery foot if you prefer to blanket stitch by machine, (eliminate hand embroidery needle & floss.)
- * iron and press mat if not provided by venue

Note: The more wool, button, and bead options you bring the greater your design flexibility will be. Beads, beading thread, stabilizer, and Mary's book, "Embellishing With Felted Wool", will be available for purchase in class.