

GHOST RANCH



Education & Retreat Center

WELCOME LETTER

Quilting: Easy as 1, 2, 3

Instructor: Ronnie Ashford

Start Date: 7/21/19

End Date: 7/27/19

Check-In Begins at 3:00pm at the Welcome Center on 7/21/19. Dinner 5:30 – 6:30;
Orientation 6:45 pm

Invitation: Howdy Ya'll! It's time to learn quilting techniques to build your skills in quilting. All skill levels are welcome even first time quilters. We will create several small quilt tops or join together for a larger quilt top and there will be time to work on your own quilt projects too.

Learning Outcomes: Design and plan amounts of material needed to create a quilt. Make quilt blocks that are accurate in size and with points that match. Quilters will learn to use quilting rulers, rotary cutters, mats, and patterns correctly to ensure accuracy and their physical safety.

Course Schedule:

- 9:00-12:00 Lesson with Instructor and time to cut and sew blocks, with Instructor nearby for guidance.
- 1:00-5:00 Open Studio time for you to work on your own special projects or to continue your work or hike, paint, read or take a wonderful afternoon nap.
- 7:00-8:30 Lesson with Instructor & time to cut and sew blocks, with Instructor nearby for guidance.

Instructor Background: I am honored and blessed beyond words to say that this will be my 6th year to teach at Ghost Ranch. I have been quilting and creating art for as long as I can remember. I love to challenge myself and try something new. Recently I received an 'Honorable Mention' for my Quilt "Chihuly meets Hawaii" at the Hawaii Quilt Show in July 2018. My Texas Flag Quilt was entered into the Dallas Quilt Show, March 2019.

Provided Materials: I will be bringing an abundance of fat quarters and yardage to help you create beautiful quilts. I will also provide basic sewing supplies, cutting mats, patterns, books, rotary cutters, rulers, other quilting tools, threads, and sewing machines for those of you that are flying and cannot or do not have those items.

What to Bring:

1. If you are driving please bring your sewing machine and basic sewing supplies. It makes it more fun when you are sewing and using tools you are familiar with.
2. Please bring 12 fat quarters or 6 half yards or 3 one yard cuts or any combo of these for a total of 3 yards of 100% Cotton Fabric, WASHED and PRESSED PLEASE! Your choice of novelty, tone on tone, patterned, solids, etc.
3. Bring your laughter, smile and your willing attitude!! We will have a fantastic week together.

FAQs: Q: Do I need to bring my sewing machine?

A: If you are driving and can bring your personal machine it will make your experience better. If you are flying or don't have a sewing machine just know that there are several machines at Ghost Ranch and I will be bringing sewing machines as well. Just let me know in advance that you will need one.

Q: What are we going to do with the fabric we are asked to bring?

A: We will use from the fabrics you bring or use from my fabric stash and then your fabric will help replenish that stash.

Q: How can I reach my Instructor as I have some questions?

A: Hey just call or email me, I will be happy to chat with you. Ronnie Ashford 918-902-1999 or ronnieashford@yahoo.com.