

ARROWMONT

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

Medium: Textiles

Instructor: Julia Gartrell

Dates: October 26-31, 2025

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Explore the world of textile mending using techniques including felting, sewing, darning, and more! Drawing from a long history of repair, students in this workshop will experiment with visible repairs, traditional techniques, and sculptural approaches to mending. Students can bring their own objects to repair or focus on learning the techniques in a sampler format. There will also be opportunity to contribute a collectively repaired object on the Arrowmont campus. The emphasis in this workshop will be on cloth and textile repair, though other techniques may be discussed.

WHAT TO BRING

- This class will be focused on textile repair techniques including darning, patching, and hand felting. Bring clothing or other cloth items (towels, curtains, upholstery, etc.) that you're interested in repairing. If you do not have things to repair and just want to learn the techniques, you will be focused on a sampler, so it may still be worth bringing materials that you're excited to work with.
- Cloth, thread, yarn, embroidery floss, string, etc. that you are interested in using (there will also be a class stash that you are welcome to use if you don't have these materials to bring)
- Flash drive (to protect and save data to and from Library computers)

Planning to purchase materials from the Supply Store for your workshop? Keep in mind that the Supply Store carries a limited selection and cannot guarantee that all materials listed by your instructor will be in stock. Please call **865-436-5860 Ext. 25** or email Celeste Rudd at **crudd@arrowmont.org** to reserve your selection prior to arrival.

MATERIALS FEES | **\$45.00-\$95.00**

Fees are assessed on an individual class basis and may vary from class to class depending on the amount of materials used and the number of students in the class, this keeps your out-of-pocket costs lower than a typical flat fee. Fees include all provided studio materials as assigned by the Instructor. Material fees are to be paid in the Supply Store no later than midday on the last day of workshop instruction.

Please be advised that the above course description and materials list has been written and approved by the instructor.

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