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SCHOOL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

Medium: Textiles

Instructor: Melissa Everett

Dates: October 18-23, 2026

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Learn the art of creating custom-printed fabrics in this hands-on silk-screening workshop. Students will explore multiple ways to create stencils and patterns, build seamless repeats, and work with transparent ink layers to achieve rich, overlapping color effects. Students will be guided through the complete printing process—from preparing artwork, mixing colors, registering patterns, and printing on fabric yardage. This workshop will also include practical tips for small-space, low-budget home setups - how to expose screens without professional equipment, DIY registration hacks, and ways to print successfully on a table at home. Students will leave with their own printed fabric and the confidence to continue screen printing independently - textile artists, designers, and curious beginners are all welcome.

WHAT TO BRING

- Pre-wash any yardage you bring to print on, continuous pieces will be easier to work with (See NOTE) natural fiber fabrics to print on, I will have cotton and muslin fabric available by the yard. You will want light colored fabrics (white, off-white, pastels) since we are working with transparent inks, dark colors will not work. Any color in the fabric will alter the color of your surface markings.
- NOTE: we will be working with textile pigments recommended for natural fibers - cotton, rayon, linen but also be aware of stretch! Stretchy fabrics make things more challenging.
- if you like repurposing, 100% cotton sheets work great
- sewing machine, if you want to bring yours, if you want to sew! (Arrowmont has Viking/Husqvarna, Emerald 116)
- sewing thread you prefer with your machine
- any sewing tools you prefer but many will be available at arrowmont
- apron and/or clothes to get messy
- Notebook for keeping notes
- 1 roll of your preferred color duct tape / this will help differentiate whose screen is whose. We will cover your wooden screen with duct tape:
[Amazon.com: Duck Brand 283264 Color Duct Tape, Single Roll, Beige, 60 Foot : Industrial & Scientific](https://www.amazon.com/Duck-Brand-283264-Color-Duct-Tape/dp/B000068001)
- 4 or 5, 8-16 oz plastic containers with lids for storing your mixed colors ; I typically save grated parmesan, salsa or pimento cheese containers for this. You don't need cheese - but the link will give you an idea of size of reuseable container I'm referring to!

MATERIALS FEES | **\$115.00-\$140.00**

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

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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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