

the workroom is Toronto's first *sew & craft by the hour* space. Don't own a sewing machine or serger? Equipped with everything you need to complete those projects, large or small, **the workroom** is the answer to your crafty prayers.

Hours

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| MONDAY | 11-8 |
| TUESDAY | 11-8 |
| WEDNESDAY | 11-8 |
| THURSDAY | 11-8 |
| FRIDAY | 11-7 |
| SATURDAY | 10-6 |
| SUNDAY | 12-5 |

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Sew by the Hour

\$7/hour

Work at your own pace and on your own projects. Sew by the hour is independent studio time. You must have experience using a sewing machine. We are always happy to offer advice, but if you need coaching, please check our class schedule.

Stitch 'n Bitch

Free

Tuesday September 14 6-8pm

This monthly open forum is not just for sewers. If you're a maker, this night is for you. Bring something to work on, something to show-and-tell or just bring yourself. This is a great night to drop in and finish unfinished class projects. The Stitch 'n Bitch meets the second Tuesday of the month.

Quilt Sunday

Free

Sunday August 29 1-3pm
Sunday September 26 1-3pm

Calling all patchworkers and quilters! Join us for a monthly gathering to share our love of all things quilty and to ogle each others' projects (and fabrics). This is a great opportunity to bring out those unfinished objects (UFO's) you've been meaning to work on. Quilt Sunday is the last Sunday of the month.

Authorized **BERNINA** Dealer

the workroom is now an authorized **BERNINA** dealer. This coveted Swiss brand of sewing machines, sergers and accessories is now available through our Parkdale location. Every Bernina machine comes with a one year warranty and private lesson to learn all about your new machine. Please visit the shop to experience these wonderful machines in person.

August Special on **BERNINA** activas

For the month of August, Bernina activa 220, 230PE and 240 sewing machines will be up to 30% off the regular price. The activa sews everything: it's exceptionally user-friendly and easy to handle, robust and durable. The activa features over 100 utility and decorative stitches (including the alphabet), 2 buttonhole styles, Temporary Altered Stitch Memory, slide-on extension table, a semi-automatic needle threader and many more exciting details. Contact us for pricing and to test an activa before August 31.

CLASS REGISTRATION

Classes are limited to six students to ensure you get the best instruction. To register for a class, we require a 50% nonrefundable deposit to hold your spot. Full payment is due on or before the first class date. Class fees are payable by cash, Visa, Mastercard and debit. Upon registration we will email you a confirmation with the supply and material list for your class. Unless noted, supplies and materials are not included.

Please ensure you are on our mailing list to receive class updates as they are released.

Email us to join at MAKESOMETHING@theworkroom.ca

Fall Schedule

Sewing Machine Essentials **\$50**

5 opportunities to take this popular one-session class:

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| Monday August 30 | 6-9pm |
| Wednesday September 1 | 6-9pm |
| Friday September 17 | 12-3pm |
| Saturday September 18 | 3-6pm |
| Saturday October 2 | 3-6pm |

If you've never used a sewing machine or if you simply need a refresher, this class will build your sewing confidence. This workshop introduces you to the anatomy of the sewing machine and how to get started including bobbin winding, threading, stitch selection and sewing seams. Put your knowledge into practice with a simple envelope pillow cover.

Please note that this class or equivalent experience is required to take sewing classes, workshops or to Sew by the Hour at **the workroom**.

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Sewn Mens' Tie**\$50**

Tuesday August 31 6–9pm

The quintessential mens' accessory is yours for the making. You will learn to cut and sew on the bias while stitching up a colourful cotton printed tie. You'll be able to sport a fancy new tie every day of the week, if you please. Ladies, imagine the bonus points when you present this special tie to your boy (although it's so cute, you may not be able to part with it).

Easy Alterations**\$50**

Thursday September 2 6–9pm

Take your alterations into your own hands and learn some essential tricks and tips. Shorten up those skirts and pants to the proper length when you learn to do an invisible hem by hand. We'll even show you how to do an original jean hem and how to make those \$300 jeans last longer when unwanted holes and tears start to appear. Bring along a couple garments that need some tender loving care.

Zippered Pouches**\$50**

Friday September 3 12–3pm

Zippered pouches come in many styles and sizes. In this class, we'll make two different styles while learning to use the zipper foot. We'll make these pouches with a lining so they'll be cute inside and out. We'll discuss how to resize and alter the patterns so you can make a pencil case, a travel case and more. You'll quickly be zipping up everything in sight.

Handy Apron**\$50**

Saturday September 4 11am–2pm

This apron is super handy for crafters, gardeners and anyone working with tools. It has several pockets and loops so that you will always have everything you need close by. Learn to confidently top stitch for a professional finish and how to use a walking foot for great results.

Serger Essentials**\$50**

Tuesday September 7 6–9pm

Once you start serging, you'll never look back. This class will teach you all the basics, from threading the machine, to adjusting tension. Learn to deal with inside and outside corners, curves and differential feed. See just how quick finishing can be when we make a set of rolled-hem napkins.

A-line Skirt**\$150**

Starts Wednesday September 8 6–9pm for 3 sessions

The A-line skirt is perfect for beginners and looks great on everyone! Using *Amy Butler's* Barcelona skirt pattern, learn to follow a commercial pattern, insert an invisible zipper, sew in a lining and create a custom fit. *Amy Butler* Barcelona skirt pattern included.

Presto Nine Patch**\$150**

Starts Saturday September 11 11am–2pm for 3 sessions

If you haven't already discovered the magic of quilting, this class is a great intro. Even experienced quilters will go nine patch crazy once they learn this fantastic technique. Just pick nine fabrics, and we'll show you how to make them into nine unique, coordinating blocks with no two alike.

Box Cushion**\$130**

Starts Sunday September 12 12–4pm for 2 sessions

Make a custom-sized box cushion with a zipper in this entry level upholstery class. You will learn to draft your own cushion pattern template, how to make your own piping cord and install it. Box cushions can be made to fit a chair, a window seat, as floor cushions or pet beds. The possibilities are endless. Experienced sewers can challenge themselves with a circular, triangular or oval shaped cushion.

Natural Dyeing**\$150**

Tuesday September 21 6–9pm for 3 sessions

An introduction to the magical world of dyeing with natural dyestuffs (plants, bugs and minerals). Students will learn everything they need to know to continue an exploration of natural dyes at home, including mordanting, preparing the dyebath, and dyeing with cotton fabric, linen fabric and wool yarn. Basic surface design techniques such as shibori will also be explored. Each student will also complete a dye sample book for future reference.

Pocket Clinic**\$50**

Saturday September 25 3–6pm

This technique clinic will focus on pockets and how to add them to anything you please. Learn how to draft and sew a western pocket, in-seam pocket and welt pocket. You'll make a sample of each style to take home for reference.

T-Shirt**\$100**

Starts Wednesday September 29 6–9pm for 2 sessions

Learn to make your own t-shirt using knit fabric. You will sew and serge your t-shirt together using just a serger. A great class to learn to sew with stretch fabrics and advance your serger skills. Serger Essentials or equivalent knowledge required to take this class. Commercial pattern is included.

English Paper Piecing**\$50**

Saturday October 2 11–2pm

Learn this take-it-anywhere, time-honoured patchwork technique that is completely done by hand! We'll use English Paper Piecing with the hexagon shape—the basis for the classic Grandmother's Flower Garden. Fun, addictive and a great way to use your favourite scraps!

Birdie Sling Bag**\$100**

Starts Saturday October 16 3–6pm for 2 sessions

A great class for a beginner sewer. Learn to make an over-sized bag that will hold absolutely everything you carry around with you. The Birdie Sling Bag is an *Amy Butler* handbag pattern and it's super cute. The bag has pleats, pockets and comfortable handle that slings over your shoulder. *Amy Butler* Birdie Sling pattern included.

Japanese Dress Books**\$200**

Starts Wednesday October 20 6–9pm for 4 sessions

Japanese Dress Books are filled with wonderful tunics and dress patterns but they are rather intimidating for beginner sewers who don't read Japanese! In this class we will go through the process of creating one of these simple patterns from figuring out the seam allowances to understanding the diagrams to put your garment together. Students will be required to purchase or own one of these books before the start of class.