

# Redbird Quilt Co.

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## Free Motion Quilting: A Full Day of Feathers

Quilts 2018 ~Lake Metro Parks ~ Sunday, Feb 25<sup>nd</sup> 2018 ~ 9:30am

I love feathers...!!! Traditional, primitive, free flowing, curled, fast... Feathers are a timeless addition to a quilt top or whole cloth. In this full-day Workshop, we'll learn 2 methods to create feathers; full form and bump-back. We'll apply these feather approaches to quilt straight, curved, curled, free flowing, and fast feathers (my favorite). The techniques are applicable to any free motion quilter, but are demonstrated on a domestic sewing machine.

A basic knowledge of free motion quilting, a previous beginning quilting class and a sewing machine required – extension table (flat, flush surface) recommended.

**Supplies:** \*\* Identifies supplies available during workshop at a discounted price

- Sewing machine with a Darning or Free Motion Quilting Foot (I prefer a rounded foot)
- 1 to 2 yards light colored quality cotton fabric (cut into 18" squares for quilt sandwiches)
- ½ to 1 yard batting (\*\***Quilter's Dream 100% Wool** is my favorite)
- Spools of light colored high quality 28, 40, or 50wt cotton Thread (\*\***Aurifil** is my favorite)
- Small scissors (\*\***Elan** serrated edge scissors are my favorite)
- Quilting Gloves (\*\***Machingers** are my favorite)
- Basting Safety Pins and Blue Painters Tape (for basting)
- Needles 80/12 or 90/14 (\*\***Top Stitch**, Quilting, or Microtex Sharp Needles)
- Pencil & Paper to practice designs (or White Board, Ipad or Tablet)
- Marking tool(s): \*\***Hera Marker** ~ \*\***Air or Water Soluble Marker** ~ Soapstone ~ Other
- **Optional:** \*\***Quilter's Touch – Quilter's Preview Paper (Transparent)**
- **Optional:** \*\***Supreme Slider by LaPeirre** -or- \*\***comparable Teflon sheet**
- **Recommended:** Extension table or large flat, flush surface for quilting.  
\*\* Sew Steady extension tables can be ordered to custom fit your machine. They are perfect for Workshops & Retreats. Contact me or check with your local quilt shop or machine dealer. They need to be ordered at least 5 weeks prior to the Workshop. Direct ship to your home is an option. [redbirdquiltco@gmail.com](mailto:redbirdquiltco@gmail.com)
- **Extra:** Bring a pillow for your chair!! The correct height helps avoid future aches and pains.
- Good working knowledge of your sewing machine is recommended. If possible, bring your sewing machine manual or user guide.

### **Preparation:**

Prepare 4 quilt sandwiches prior to class (at least 18" square)

**Questions ?** e-Mail Karen [redbirdquiltco@gmail.com](mailto:redbirdquiltco@gmail.com)



A Few Feather Images – All Quilted on a home machine

