



MADELINE ISLAND SCHOOL of the ARTS

The Practice of Making Do with Sherry Lynn Woods Materials List

Materials

There will be opportunities on Monday and Wednesday mornings to source materials from the Island Closet in La Pointe, and launder them on campus. If you like, come empty handed and find all your materials for the week there!

- You may also prefer to source materials from the people in your life and from your own clothing. Any substrate, type of material will work as long as it's sewable with a sewing machine.
- If you want to bring specific materials and clothing to process a transition, like a loss or death, or a marriage or graduation to make a memory quilt, bring those materials to work on during the week.
- If you have a collection of wool or corduroy you want to work with during the week, bring it.
- Optional: Bring some stash scraps if you like to supplement scavenged materials.

It's improv! You will learn something no matter what materials you decide to work with. Come with a make-do attitude and it will all work out in the end!

Note on washing: If my intention is to wash a quilt made from up-cycled materials, I pre-wash all my materials, if they haven't been washed recently. There will be an opportunity to wash materials sourced from the Island Closet. Otherwise please launder any thrifted materials you are bringing from home before your arrival.

Sewing Tools

- Sharp fabric shears
- Sewing machine (Check with MISA about renting one)
- Hand-sewing kit (hand needles, thread, thimble if you use one)
- Pins
- Tailors chalk or other marking instrument
- Improv Journal — to note surprises, discoveries, satisfactions and other learnings.

Provided By MISA

- Cutting stations w/rotary cutters & large self-healing mats
- Ironing stations
- Work walls
- Sewing machines are available to rent.

Stabilizing Supplies

- Heavy Spray starch for silk, linen, rayon, and any thing loosely woven
- Freezer paper for knits, sweaters, lycra, and anything super stretchy
- Fray check or equivalent for lamé, linen and anything that easily frays
- OPTIONAL: Fusible interfacings for thin knits and woven materials that are fragile or threadbare. If you have some at home already, you can bring it along, but there are other ways to reinforce lightweight materials and knits.