

**Stitching Girls Society** is proud to support the creative arts of sewing and all needle works. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit set up to share the love and skills of the needle crafts. We are run by a volunteer board who sponsors sewing/quilting retreats for the general public and our members.

We started doing retreats 34 years ago and incorporated as a non-profit in 2009. Our first retreats were held at Camp Burton and we were known as the Vashon Island Sewing Retreat. We have since added new locations to our retreats offerings.

Our first retreat this year is a **members only** 5 day trip to **Missouri Star Quilting** on **March 12-16**. Membership to Stitching Girls society is only **\$30** and gives you reduced retreat prices and some special member only retreats. **MSQ is \$370**.

Our first general retreat is the **Spring Mini**, a Friday through Sunday do-your-own-projects weekend. We will be meeting in the mountain setting of **Camp Huston** near Gold Bar Washington. **April 13-15. Member \$220 Non-Member \$250**

Our summer **Members Only Weekend** is another Friday through Sunday do-your-own-projects weekend held **June 15-17**, again in the mountains at **Camp Huston** - **MOW is \$220**.

**September 23-26** (with an optional extra sew day on the **27th**) we have the grandmother of all our retreats: the 34th annual Vashon Island Sewing Retreat will be held this year at the **Seabeck Retreat Center**. We are looking forward to exploring this new facility. **Member \$370 / Non-Member \$400, plus \$90 for optional extra day.**

All our retreats included meals, sewing space, and shared sleeping quarters (extra charge for solo quarters). Come join the fun!

See [VashonIslandSewingRetreat.com](http://VashonIslandSewingRetreat.com) for more information about our instructors, classes and other activities and [StitchingGirlsSociety.org](http://StitchingGirlsSociety.org) for membership and information about our group.

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## 2018 FALL Sewing Retreat

### Registration Online or by Mail

(Please mark 1st & 2nd choice)

One 3 day class for the whole retreat

- \_\_\_\_\_ Machine Quilting\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Up-Cycling Workshop\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sassy Witch\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fit for Pants\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Do Your Own Thing!

Retreat Fee includes: sewing space,  
2 person shared rooms and meals

Members Fee \$370

Non-Member Fee \$400

\* Class fee \$95

Optional Extra Day on the 27th \$90

**\$50 deposit** reserves your place and applies  
toward balance which is due August 15th 2018.  
(\$25 non-refundable)

Stitching Girls Society Membership \$30

### VashonIslandSewingRetreat.com

for dietary options and cancellation policy

Register & PayPal online

OR Send check to:

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Machine Quilting (20 students)

Learn techniques to turn your pieced tops into quilted projects on own your home sewing machine. Class covers a variety of stitches and combinations to add a level of beauty to your work. Most of all, learn techniques that make the process easy and enjoyable -- this can be fun when you let it flow!



**Colleen Blackwood** has taught quilt classes for a number of years and has been teaching machine quilting for a dozen years or more, using her home machine. The 2018 Sisters Oregon Quilt Show named Colleen the most Inspirational Instructor.

## Up-Cycling workshop (10 students)



Bring your imagination and treasured fabrics, trims, accessories, clothes, etc. to up-cycle for yourself or a loved one. Come with plans or look through books and magazines for ideas. Lots of different materials will be provided to help you achieve your creative vision. We will brainstorm together and create up-cycled projects.

**Vanessa Barwick** comes from a family of quilters, sewers, and other fiber crafters from New England and Great Britain. She has an MA from NYU in Folk Art Studies. Vanessa's main interests lie in up-cycling, creative mending, and repurposing garments and textiles into clothes and quilts.

## Sassy Witch Doll

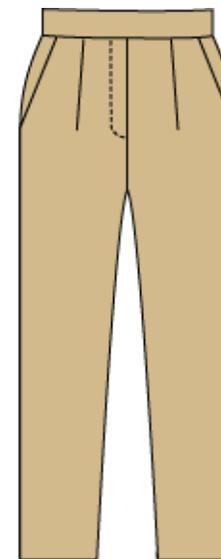
(10 students)

"Hazel Quackenbush" is a young modern witch who loves a good party. Always bright and bold and ready to fly high. Pattern by elinor peace bailey, a little sculpting & face padding. Bright colors for her body and clothing and don't forget the frogs on her shoes, hat and her cat.



**Janice Gow** is a natural instructor and has been amusing our retreaters first as a retreaters herself and then as an instructor of creatures and bags. She is an assistant Manager at Pacific Fabric in Bellevue.

## Fit for Pants (6 students)



Have you always wanted that perfectly fitting pants pattern? We'll start with measurements, fit the pattern, then cut & sew your pants with tried and true sewing techniques plus extra tips & tricks. We'll also talk about the differences between stretch and woven fabrics and pant styles from leggings to jeans to slacks. Take away a dependable pants pattern, ready to re-use over and over with many design possibilities to enhance and extend your whole wardrobe.

**Peggy Garber** is our primo apparel expert and a founding instructor of our Sewing Retreats. She brings experience from the apparel industry and her work for a nationally known fitting specialist to all her classes.