

**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

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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#### 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.

#### Gift Cards

The perfect gift for a crafty person. Gift cards are available for purchase in any denomination you choose. Gift cards can be redeemed towards any purchase at **the workroom**, including classes, fabric, supplies, rentals and sewing machines. Each gift card is beautifully printed and presented in a hand stamped fabric pouch.

#### 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 May 8	6-8pm
Tuesday June 12	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 May 27	1-3pm
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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.

#### CLASS REGISTRATION

Classes are limited to seven 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.

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### Spring Schedule

#### Sewing Machine Essentials **\$55**

4 opportunities to take this popular one-session class:

Friday May 11	11am-2pm
Saturday May 12	3-6pm
Wednesday May 16	6-9pm
Wednesday May 23	6-9pm
Sunday June 3	11am-2pm

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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**Patchwork Picnic Blanket \$65**

Friday May 18 10am–2pm

Make the perfect summer accessory. Backed with denim or canvas, this beautiful patchwork picnic blanket goes from the beach, to the park with ease. It rolls up into a cute bundle with twill tape ties and even has pockets to stash your napkins, cutlery or bottle of wine. Great as a playmat for kids, too.

**A-line Skirt \$165**Starts Tuesday May 22 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.

**Leather Moccasins \$110**Starts Saturday May 26 3–6pm  
for 2 sessions

Make yourself a custom pair of traditional moccasins. Learn how to work with and how to hand stitch leather. Choose to create one of two styles, either a fringed bootie or scout moccasin. Commercial pattern included.

**Easy Alterations \$55**

Monday May 28 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.

**Beginner Pattern Sewing \$220**Starts Friday June 1 6–9pm  
for 4 sessions

Learn to sew from a commercial pattern in this beginner class where you get to choose the pattern you'll make. This class will cover proper fabric layout, cutting and marking techniques, basic garment construction and seam finishing. We will provide a list of recommended beginner patterns including skirts, tops, dresses and pajamas. Students must purchase the pattern of their choice for class.

**Natural Dyeing \$165**Monday June 4 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.

**Knock it off \$55**

Wednesday June 6 6–9pm

In this class for intermediate sewers, we will show you techniques for re-creating a pattern from an existing garment. Bring in your favourite piece of clothing and we'll make a pattern for it without taking the garment apart. We'll also discuss how to determine the steps to sew the garment together with your custom pattern.

**Swoon Quilt \$300**Starts Thursday June 7 6–9pm  
for 6 sessions

Make your very own Swoon Quilt designed by Camile Roskelley. This popular large-scale block works up quickly, with sparkling results. Fabric cutting specs have been modified to make the best use of your fabrics, and we'll use speed-piecing techniques to make block construction more efficient. Students have a choice between the 4-block, 62" square sample size, or the 9-block 80" square original version. Commercial pattern is included.

**Box Cushion \$130**Starts Sunday June 10 11am–3pm  
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.

**Creating A Bag \$200**With Rachel MacHenry at *The Contemporary Textile Studio Co-op*  
Starts Wednesday June 13 6pm–9pm  
for 3 sessions

In this creative workshop, you will learn how to work out an idea and colour palette for a textile to be used in making a simple bag. Using water-based pigments, you will translate your design onto fabric with stencils, direct print and hand-painting methods. The third class will take place at **the workroom** where you will learn how to put together your bag and attach leather handles. Print materials, fabric and faux leather handles included. To register, please contact: [rachelmachenry@gmail.com](mailto:rachelmachenry@gmail.com)

**Roman Blind \$110**Starts Wednesday June 13 6–9pm  
for 2 sessions

Dress up your windows with a simple fabric Roman Blind that gathers into pleats when raised. Learn to calculate the pattern for any window in your home and sew up this customized window treatment with the fabric of your choice.

**English Paper Piecing \$55**

Saturday June 23 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!

**Machine Paper Foundation Piecing \$220**Starts Saturday July 7 11am–2pm  
for 4 sessions

Achieve perfect patchwork points while constructing the cutest little neighbourhood in this wallquilt class. This scrap-friendly technique is quick, fun and easy. We will cover how to work with foundation piecing patterns and improvised cutting, and then finish our wallquilt with a free-form edge and hanging sleeve.