## SEWING FUNDAMENTALS

**Instructor**   
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**Start Date | Rain Date**

Eight-week class begins Monday, April 8th, 6-9 p.m.

No class on May 27th for Memorial Day.

In case of instructor illness or weather, the rain date is June 10th.

**Location**

Studios Building | Josie Eresch Fibers Studio | 2 NW 11th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73103

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed for those new to sewing, those who have not sewn in a while, those afraid of their machines, those who want to build a stronger foundation in their sewing knowledge or those needing a refresher on the basics of machine sewing. Students will learn in-depth knowledge of their sewing machines while mastering the fundamentals of sewing through fun, useful, instructor-selected projects. Students must bring their own sewing machine to each class.

**COURSE OUTLINE**

**Week 1:** Intro to course and the Sewing machine

**Week 2:** Understanding Machine needles, Threads, and Fabric

**Week 3:** Fabric continued, Proper Threading, and Bobbin Winding

**Week 4:** Understanding Machine stitches and Feet

**Week 5:** Sewing tools Explained

**Week 6:** Pressing, Cutting, and Pinning Skills

**Week 7:** Understanding and Installing Zippers

**Week 8:** Seams, Seam Finishes, and Final project

**REQUIRED MATERIALS**

* The instructor will discuss tools needed during the course. If you do not already have sewing equipment, wait until after the instructor discusses tools to make a purchase.
* A notebook and Pen for notes
* A serviced sewing machine, electric cord, foot pedal, machine manual, and all tools, feet, bobbins, and accessories that came with the machine.

**RECOMMENDED READING AND RESOURCES**

* Gardiner, Wendy & Knight, Lorna. The Sewing Machine Accessory Bible: Get the most out of your machine-from using basic feet to mastering specialty feet. New York: St. Martin’s Press, 2011.
* Kettle, Liz. Know Your Needles. Pennsylvania: Fox Chapel Publishing Company, 2014.
* Singer, Ruth. The Sewing Bible. New York: Crown Publishing Group, 2008.
* Smith, Alison. The Sewing Book. New York: DK Publishing, 2009.
* Tobisch, Bernie. You and Your Sewing Machine: A sewist’s guide to troubleshooting, maintenance, tips, and techniques. California: C&T Publishing, 2018

**ADDITIONAL NOTES**

* **At the first class, students will be required to purchase a kit of supplies ($55).** This kit includes all of the materials that you will need for the teacher-assigned projects, with the exception of the last project (part of the final project is learning to source your own materials).
* Supplies required the first night of class: A notebook and Pen for notes, a serviced sewing machine, electric cord, foot pedal, machine manual, and all tools, feet, bobbins, and accessories that came with the machine.