

Palmer/Pletsch 2-Day Workshop Sewing with Sergers

Vancouver, Washington (just north of Portland, Oregon)

Dear Attendee,



This 2-day workshop is held at:
Sew-Op + Maker Space

1507 Broadway
Vancouver, WA 98663
(360) 227-5005
sewopmakerspace.com

Sew-Op + Maker Space is located in Downtown Vancouver, Washington, just 15 minutes from Portland International Airport. It is equipped with everything you'd expect for a fantastic sewing workshop experience. There is ample pressing and cutting space and Bernina sewing machines for your classroom use. Owner Anna Miller offers an astounding collection of vintage fabrics plus modern notions and the region's yummiest chocolates for sale in her shop. Sew-Op is located close to great food and coffee venues and less than two miles from Fred Meyer for groceries and incidentals.

The workshop runs from 9am to 5pm each day. Lunch is provided. Registrants will receive a detailed schedule.

Our "ideal suggested schedule" while you are here is to arrive the day before the workshop and get settled in at the place you choose to stay. For years we have used the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas, Oregon. They offer a special Palmer/Pletsch rate. However, now that we are holding our workshops in different locations, that option may not be as convenient as finding accommodations closer to the class venue. A few suggestions:

[Homewood Suites by Hilton](#)

701 SE Columbia Shores Blvd.
Vancouver, WA 98661

[The Briar Rose Inn](#)

314 W 11th St.
Vancouver, WA 98660

[The Hilton Vancouver](#)

301 W 6th St.
Vancouver, WA 98660

[The Heathman Lodge](#)

7801 NE Greenwood Dr.
Vancouver, WA 98662

Uber and Lyft are the most reasonable ways to get to all areas of Portland from the airport. Or, if you decide to stay at the Monarch next to Clackamas Town Center mall, the hotel van can pick you up at the airport. Call when you get your luggage.

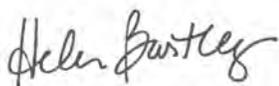
[Monarch Hotel](#)

12566 S.E. 93rd Ave
Portland, Oregon 97015.

Palmer/Pletsch workshop attendees enjoy a discount. To reserve a room call 1-800-492-8700 or email the hotel directly at rescenter@monarchnotel.cc. Mention you are with Palmer/Pletsch and request our rate which includes a daily coupon for 10% off dining at this property. More details [here](#).



For those of you interested in shopping for fabric in Portland's incredible fabric stores, read on. Thank you and see you soon!



Palmer/Pletsch Certified Sewing Instructors: This workshop will give you 20 PDUs.

Bring the following to the workshop:

- **Sewing Supplies:**

- ___ Your serger, power cord, foot control, all accessories and the manual. If you don't have the manual, please download and print one from the internet. It is a great resource. Be sure to bring the tool that allows you to change the needle. It is either a tiny flathead screwdriver or a tiny Allen wrench. If you don't have it, try to replace it before class. If you don't have a serger, let us know and we will provide a demo for you to use. You will learn what you really want from a serger in this workshop, and then buy with confidence.
- ___ 4 spools of serger thread in 4 different colors
- ___ Standard sewing supplies (scissors, seam gauge, pins etc.)
- ___ A small blunt-tip tapestry needle
- ___ Long tweezers (these come with every new serger, but if yours has wandered off, please be sure you bring one!) They are your best friend when threading a serger!
- ___ Double-sided tape for securing samples in your notebook
- ___ ½ yard of silk, rayon, or suitable drapery, lightweight poly for rolled edge scarf
- ___ 3 fat quarters of coordinating cottons for flatlocked sampler bag
- ___ 1 14" polyester coil zipper to coordinate with bag fabrics
- ___ Scraps of fabric that you want to experiment with or learn more about

- **Book:** Palmer/Pletsch *Sewing with Sergers*. The latest printing of the newest version will be available in spiral at our venue.

Mark your supplies with your name before class.

Please do not wear perfume. We have found that some students have allergies to it.

We will provide

A binder filled with technique sample pages and instructions, pre-cut sample fabrics for each technique, and any specialty threads needed for the curriculum.

Learn Even More About Serging

[Master Your Serger at Home](#) is a home-study version of the 4-day Serger Workshop we used to offer. Click on the link to visit the web page that describes the program.

OPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:

HAVE YOUR COLORS DONE!



When someone says, “You look amazing today!” chances are you’re wearing a color that perfectly complements your natural beauty. Learn how to determine your best colors with image consultant and color expert Ethel.

Ethel expands the four-season color concept with her own color system, to help us understand how the colors we wear can complement our own hair, skin and eye colors. She will then teach you how to translate this knowledge into creating a wardrobe that truly flatters.

Portland-based Ethel Harms is an award-winning image consultant who has been helping people look beautiful for over 30 years. As the Image instructor for the Palmer/Pletsch International School of Sewing, she has worked with people from all over the world to define their best image. She is featured in the Palmer/Pletsch book *Looking Good...Every Day!*

Book your appointment at her Lake Oswego studio for the day before the workshop. Ethel will then bring your custom color palette to the workshop and show you how to shop for your best colors.

The Color Analysis price for Palmer/Pletsch workshop students is \$200.00 (reg. \$250). Book your appointment directly with Ethel by calling 503-699-5501 or e-mail eharms@msn.com. For more about Ethel Harms, visit www.yourimageconsultant.com.

TOUR THE AREA

If you have time to tour our beautiful region before or after the workshop, or if you have a companion with you who came to tour, here are just a few suggestions:

- Drive the “loop” going up into the stunning Columbia River Gorge on Highway 84. At Hood River, turn up to Mt. Hood, visit the historic Timberline Lodge, and drive back to Portland on Highway 26.
- We are only 1 1/2 hours from the coast.
- The MAX line to downtown is just across from the Monarch Hotel.
- The Spirit of Portland has a wonderful lunch and dinner river cruise that is quite reasonable and showcases why we are called the “city of bridges.”

Google can provide more information.

FABRIC SHOPPING IN PORTLAND

Portland has many wonderful fabric stores. Using an app for navigation makes it easy for you to shop alone or as a group. You may find us meeting up with you somewhere because we like to shop too!

Request a class list before you book travel if you want to try to put together a shopping group. Shopping the day before gives you a chance to buy fabric for class projects. (Though you won't have altered your pattern(s), so it would be a good idea to purchase a little more yardage than the pattern chart indicates.) Shopping after allows you to make friends and ask who would like to shop with you.

The stores below are grouped in an efficient order to visit. Avoiding freeways is a way to counter traffic in morning or mid to late afternoon. If you are staying at the Monarch Hotel, start with the Mill End store right off highway 224 then Pendleton is about 4 blocks away.

[Bolt Neighborhood Fabric Boutique](#)

4636 NE 42nd Ave, Suite C
Portland, OR 97218

Bolt moved to a larger space that is very light. They carry fashion wovens and knits and hand-selected cottons for quilting and fashion.

[Modern Domestic](#)

422 NE NE Alberta St.
Portland, OR 97211

Modern Domestic sells Bernina sewing machines and a nice selection of fashion fabrics and cottons as well as unique notions.

[Josephine's Dry Goods](#)

2609 SE Clinton St.
Portland, OR 97202

Josephine's carries high-end silks, woolens, a large selection of Liberty cottons as well as Palmer/Pletsch Interfacings.



[Mill End Store](#)

9721 SW McLoughlin Blvd.
Milwaukie, OR 97222

This is a BIG store so allow plenty of time to explore their selection of wool, silk, linen, knits, outerwear, cottons, and evening fabrics.

[Pendleton Woolen Mill Store](#)

8550 SE McLoughlin Blvd.
Portland, OR 97222

The store carries Pendleton yardage including plaids, coatings, pre-cut pieces, and a large range of Pendleton blankets and home accessories. Also bulk zippers and unusual items for sewing and crafting.

TIPS: Photo pattern envelopes for yardage. Bring swatches of anything you want to match. Shop buttons. Bring color palette if you had your colors done. Wear comfortable shoes.

FABRIC SHOPPING DAY LUNCH SUGGESTIONS

(Check with these restaurants ahead of time to see if there are any COVID-19 restrictions.)

Near Josephine's

[Broder Cafe](#)

2508 SE Clinton St.
Portland, OR 97202

[Little T Baker](#)

2600 SE Division
Portland, OR 97202

Near Modern Domestic

[La Petite Provence](#)

1824 NE Alberta St
Portland, OR 97211

[Café Reina](#)

4943 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Portland, OR 97211

Near Bolt

[Miss Zumstein's Bakery & Coffeeshop](#)

5027 NE 42nd Ave.
Portland, OR 97218

[Grain & Gristle](#)

1473 NE Prescott St.
Portland, OR 97221

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