

**Debbie Jones
Albuquerque, NM**

***Artist in Residence
June 11-15, 2019***

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Debbie Jones is a fabric artist who specializes in fabric decollage, art quilts and mixed media collage. Her fascination with color and love of fabric started in childhood, when she began crafting and sewing. This eventually led to a part-time business in sewing and fashion design. In 1990, after winning a quilt in a charity raffle, she became intrigued with quilts and decided to try making them herself. After studying techniques from world-renowned quilting instructors and some experimentation on her own, she began to create one-of-a-kind contemporary quilts that express her artistic flair, working both by hand and by machine. Her art is in collections around the world and has been exhibited in galleries and at fine art shows in various locations around the United States.

The Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild, The Arts Council of the Brazos Valley, Lone Star Quiltworks, and The Wearables Group is proud to announce that Debbie will be our featured Artist in Residence in June, 2019. For 5 days (June 11-15) Debbie will be sharing her skills by presenting 5 workshops and will be our featured Presenter at the June 11 Quilt Guild Meeting.

Schedule of Events:

June 11: *Silk Fusion Vessels Workshop*



Learn to make these exquisite vessels by choosing a vase then bonding silk and other fibers to it using a special varnish. Once dry, remove it from the vase and you have a beautiful Silk Fusion Vessel. Insert an electronic candle or fairy lights for a soft glow that really highlights the silk fibers. You'll have fun playing with dozens of fibers and choosing your favorites to make a one-of-a-kind vessel! These fibers are incredibly soft yet so strong when bonded together. Add Angelina fiber, Firestar, yarns, threads or other embellishments for sparkle if you like (included in the kit fee). The varnish does not make the vessel shiny or overly stiff, just sturdy enough to hold its shape. It will still be soft and textured and oh, so touchable. There's nothing else quite like it! Debbie will also demonstrate how to bond silk fibers to a glass vase permanently, as pictured on the bottom of the first Silk Fusion Vessels page. A detailed color handout is included, so you can easily make more vessels at home. They make great gifts!

Students bring a few old towels, a box and maybe a glass vase. A \$27 kit fee covers everything else, including their choice of an electronic candle or fairy lights. Each student goes home with a finished vessel, which will dry within a few days.

June 11: *Lecture – Fabric Becomes Fine Art*

This lecture starts at 7:00 pm at the Brazos Center, Bryan TX. This lecture is free of charge.

June 12: *Butterfly Banquet / Butterfly Garden Decollage Workshop*



Create a beautiful floral bouquet adorned with butterflies, or leave out the vase and make an outdoor garden scene! Choose from lots of Debbie's butterfly and dragonfly patterns, and different vase designs, then use fabric and fusibles to make them all uniquely yours. Make some of the butterflies 3-D, so they stand out, literally! You can bring large scale floral and leaf prints, or use Debbie's designs to make your own. Depending on how many butterflies you want to make, you may choose to finish this at home or might be able to finish it in class. This 18"x24" wallhanging can be wrapped around a stretched canvas or quilted. (No quilting is done in class, so you don't need to bring a machine!) A handout is included and a workshop supply list will be provided before class.

June 13: *Fabric Stamping*



Bring your own fabrics to class and use Debbie's rubber stamps, stencils, inks, paints, paint sticks and markers to create unique pieces that will add pizzazz to your quilts, wearables or decollage! Learn tricks for getting crisp, clear images that are permanent once heat-set, and enhance your fabrics even more with inks and markers for depth and shading. We'll even do velvet embossing, and Debbie will provide the velvet! Detailed handout included. Everything provided except the fabric.

June 14: *Fabric Landscape Decollage*



Create a beautiful landscape using fabric and fusibles, with no stitching! In this one-day class, you'll complete an 11"x14" fabric landscape of your own design, ready to be framed. It will look like a painting – a "fabric painting"! No experience is necessary. Anyone can make these. With many chances to change your mind as your work evolves throughout the day, it's easy and fun. These landscapes make wonderful gifts, since they can be designed in any style or color scheme. If you prefer, Debbie will show how to alter this technique, so your finished decollage can be quilted or stitched later, at home. Detailed handout included.

June 15: *Ice Dyeing on Fabric*



Create your own unique fabrics by sprinkling dyes over ice covered fabric. So beautiful, similar to batiks, only better! First we'll prepare the fabrics in a soda ash solution, then the real fun begins. Bring any fabric (or scarves or t-shirts) made of natural fibers like cotton, silk, rayon, wool, bamboo or blends of these. Learn different ways to scrunch, twist, twirl, fold, clamp and your fabric to get different patterns. Choose your dye colors and watch the magic as the dyes melt over the ice! Wear old clothes and shoes, and we'll use masks and gloves for safety with the powdered dyes, but we'll also use

liquid dyes. Detailed handout included. Easy techniques, no prior experience necessary. This is a great way to make your quilts, wearables and other fabric art truly special!

General Information:

1. The cost for each workshop is \$35.00 per participant.
2. All workshops will start at 9:00 am and will last until approximately 2:00 pm.
3. To sign up for a workshop, please email Sharon Braunagel (sbrauna@icloud.com) with the following information:

Name

Requested workshop

Email address

Phone

Make out your check to: Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild (BBQG)

Send your check to: Sharon Braunagel, 1908 Streamside Way, Bryan TX 77807

Your place is the workshop is not secured until S. Braunagel has received your check.

You will be sent a confirmation email upon receipt of check. If signing up for multiple workshops, please list the workshops on the check.

Once payment has been received, supply lists and detailed workshop information will be emailed to each participant.

Venues:

June 11: Lecture ***“Fabric Becomes Fine Art”*** will be held at the Brazos Center, 3232 Briarcrest Drive, Bryan TX, 77802 (979-776-8338). *There is no charge to attend this presentation.*

The following workshops will be held at the American Legion Hall, Post 159, 101 Waco Street, Bryan TX

Workshop 1 – June 11 - Silk Fusion Vessels

Workshop 2 – June 12 - Butterfly Garden Decollage

Workshop 3 – June 13 - Fabric Stamping

Workshop 4 – Fabric landscape Decollage

Workshop 5: Ice Dyeing on Fabric will be held outdoors at the home of Sharon Braunagel, 1908 Streamside Way, Bryan TX, 77807

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