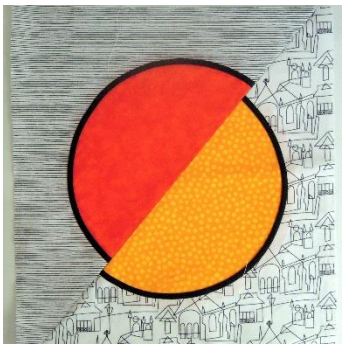
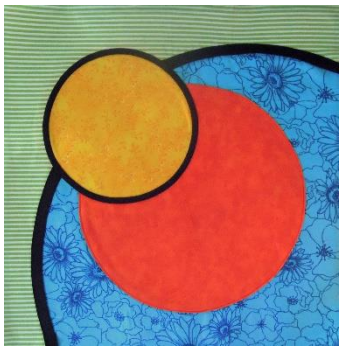
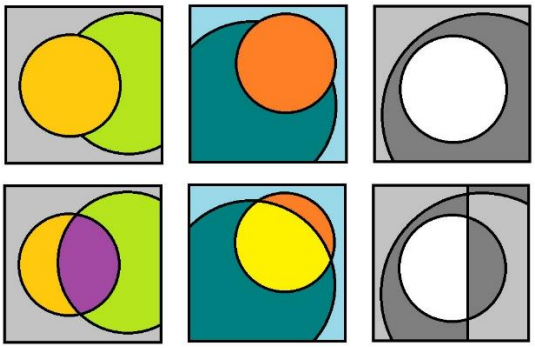
WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION: **CIRCLES, CIRCLES, CIRCLES**

Do you love the look of circles in quilts? But are you intimidated by sewing curves?
Me too! I use a variety of techniques to create circles that are simple, easy and effective.

The workshop will cover:

- an easy method to draw a circle any size
- making and using freezer-paper templates
- design your own 12-inch square circle block pattern
- creating accurate circles using a freezer paper pattern and sewing flat overlapped seams
- circles with raw edges, covered with bias tape (or couching or decorative stitching)
- [optional] circles with turned-under edges, which are topstitched in place

You will design and make 12-inch blocks using a variety of techniques. The blocks could become a small wall-hanging, a pillow cover, or the start of a larger quilt.

NOTE: this technique can be used for almost any shape, not just for circles.

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Supply list:

- ☐ Ruler - 12.5 inches square if you have one
- ☐ Permanent marker pen
- ☐ Pencil
- ☐ Eraser (white eraser works best)
- ☐ Paper scissors
- ☐ Fabric scissors
- ☐ Small sharp scissors for trimming close to stitching line
- ☐ Rotary cutter and cutting mat
- ☐ Stitch ripper
- ☐ A selection of coordinating fabrics
- ☐ Bias tape – a variety of colors and widths
- ☐ (optional) couching material (yarn, embroidery thread, etc.) to use instead of bias tape
- ☐ A variety of thread colors (including black) for topstitching bias tape and circles
- ☐ Sewing machine and all accessories, extension cord
- ☐ (recommended) open toe foot if you have one
- ☐ (optional) design wall or fleece to pin up work in progress and to transport it home

These supplies will be provided at the workshop:

- Freezer paper
- A selection of bias tape - various colors and widths
- Sample circle block designs (not full-size, as you will create your own pattern as part of the workshop)

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