

Electric Quilt 8



Practical Exercises in Designing Quilts and Drawing Blocks While using the following Tools

During this class we will design three quilts using the “Library Tools” and we will draw each type of block listed below using the tools appropriate to each block. As we work, we will utilize the Library, and the “Print” tools. Should we have time at the end of the class, we will design additional quilts, including a “Custom Set” quilt. Since everyone learns at a different pace, and I do not know the level of expertise of each of you, we will work through each exercise so that you will have time to get comfortable with the various tools used.

Project Files: Each time you open EQ8, you have the option to begin a new project or to continue working on an existing one. Project files are identified by the name you choose and the suffix .PJ8 which is automatically added for you. Each project file you create contains all the items you add to the Project Sketchbook as you develop and save your work for that project. The Project Sketchbook is like a notebook or file folder in which all your quilt designs, block drawings and fabric collections are stored.

Library Basics

Quilt Basics

1. Choosing a Layout
 - Horizontal
 - On-Point
 - Variable Point
 - Baby Blocks
 - Variable Blocks
 - Horizontal Strip
 - Vertical Strip
 - One Patch
 - Photo Patchwork
 - Custom Set

2. Building Borders
3. Setting Blocks
4. Coloring Quilts
5. Making Design Adjustments
6. Using the Graph Pad
7. Quilt Options

Drawing Blocks – Each type of Block listed below has its own Worktable and Toolbar

1. Pieced Blocks Using Easy Draw
2. Pieced Blocks using PatchDraw
3. Appliqué Blocks using PatchDraw
4. Appliqué Motifs using PatchDraw
5. EasyDraw+PatchDraw Blocks
6. Creating New Blocks using Serendipity

Printing and Exporting

1. Printing Basics
2. Printing Blocks
 - Print from Block Worktable or Quilt Worktable
3. Printing Templates
4. Printing Foundation Piecing
5. Printing Rotary Cutting Charts
6. Printing Yardage / # of Fat Quarters
 - Print from Quilt Worktable Only
 - See Page 234 of EQ8 Reference Manual for Special Notes
7. Printing Quilts
8. Exporting Basics
9. File Types
 - bmp, jpg, gif, tiff, png, Metafile
10. Export Image
 - Resolution options are 75, 150, 300, or 600 dpi