

Thread-Painted Portraits Sat, May 15, 2021
Lea McComas

Each participant needs:

- A sewing machine in good working order with a free-motion foot
- Machine needles (size 190/14 is recommended, but 80/12's and 100/16 may also be useful, if you have them)
- Several bobbins filled with a neutral or medium gray thread (3-4 recommended). I suggest you use a thinner thread, 50-60 wt., or a thread specifically designed for use in the bobbin, such as Bottom Line or Mettler Bobbin Fil. Some bobbin threads come in only black and white. If you use these, I suggest 2 bobbins of each. Bring the spools of bobbin thread just in case.
- spools of thread (40-wt recommended) in the following colors:
- Bring 2-3 spools of random colors of thread for practice exercises. Color not important. Cotton or polyester 40, 50, or 60 wt. is recommended
- A set of threads in 5 values from very light to very dark, such as: White, light gray, medium gray, dark gray, and black.
- Scissors for cutting thread
- Pen and paper for notes
- Mechanical pencil or fabric marking pen for light marking on portrait panel

These items are suggested, but not required:

- Free motion sewing gloves
- Teflon free motion sewing mat
- Lea's book, Thread-Painted Portraits: Turn Your Photos into Fiber Art

Lea will have the following items for sale:

- Free motion sewing gloves
- Teflon free motion sewing mat (Supreme Slider)
- Lea's book, Thread-Painted Portraits: Turn Your Photos into Fiber Art
- Thread Packs (5-spools) in Pink, Peach, Beige, Brown and Gray
- 5-step Gray scale card
- Editing of your photo for printing on 8.5"x 11" fabric sheet

There will be a \$10 kit fee payable to Lea at the workshop.