

Supply List & Class Notes

Title: Shibori: A Unique World of Pattern
Dates/Times: Monday and Tuesday June 9 and 10, 2008
Instructor: Jan Myers Newbury

Shibori
Symposium
at the Textile Center

Please bring the following items to class with you:

- If you have already collected dyeing supplies, and you are arriving by car, bring as many buckets as is convenient; bring your mask, spoons, cups, etc.
- Rubber gloves and old clothes to wear most of the time. Obtain Playtex-type household gloves that come at least 4-5 beyond your wrist. (Surgical-type short gloves are NOT OK.)
- At least one 18 - 24 length of plastic PVC (plumbing) pipe for arashi shibori (pole-wrapping). This can be any diameter starting at 2 inch, up to 4 inch diameter. DO NOT BRING LENGTHS LONGER THAN 24. They can help you cut it where you buy it. DO NOT BRING DIAMETER GREATER THAN 4" If you are arriving by airplane, you can skip this item as I will be bringing some.
- Any clamping devices that you locate around the house, or that you wish to buy and bring (C-clamps, bulldog clips, large squeeze clamps...)
- An assortment of hard shapes for clamping: jar lids, small blocks of wood, washers, chopsticks, Legos, poker chips.... use your imagination.
- Nylon braided or coiled rope of a substantial diameter (1/2 or more), bring a 3-4 length.
- An assortment of paint brushes if you have some. The sponge kind work well for this.
- Needles and hand-quilting thread for hand-sewing; thimble if you use one, fabric scissors
- String and rubber bands, assorted
- An INDELIBLE black fine point marker (Sharpie) for marking your fabrics.
- Large Tyvek envelope (can be used - i.e. received in the mail)
- 4 plastic yogurt (or other) containers - small or large. 4 plastic spoons
- 4 plastic dry cleaner bags IF YOU HAVE THEM. DO NOT BUY. I will bring some.

FABRIC:

Bring at least 10 yards of PFD (Prepared For Dyeing) fabric. I cannot stress enough that this MUST be PFD fabric. There are several possibilities: unbleached muslin (cheapest), bleached muslin, print cloth, Kona cotton, pima cotton. The dye companies all sell PFD fabrics. TESTFABRICS is entirely reliable. If you Google PFD Fabrics you will come up with thousands of sources. I have bought muslin at Joanne, made by RocLon corporation - and it CLEARLY says Prepared For Dyeing on the bolt end. Personally, I do not recommend pima cotton. It dyes beautifully but is difficult to piece and quilt.

It is essential that you prewash the fabric that you will be dyeing. I generally cut 2-yard lengths of fabric for pre-washing, and do 10 yards at a time in a large wash load. Use the hottest water possible, longest cycle, and Synthrapol detergent if you have it. Otherwise, use a liquid detergent that does not contain any whiteners or fabric softeners or bleach. DO NOT USE FABRIC SOFTENER IN THE WASH, OR IN THE DRYER.

MATERIALS PROVIDED BY INSTRUCTOR:

I will order and have on hand dyes, salt, soda ash and detergent. There will be a class supply fee that will cover the cost of the chemicals used collectively. This will be \$15/person.

(Please note: The materials fee is different than listed in the paper catalog. \$15 is the correct fee.)



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