

# ANOTHER *and Different* Day of PLAYTIME GAMES

for

Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit

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**Intermediate**



**M o r e** random order blocks. At your sewing machine, we will continue to play intuitive & improvisational games. The day will begin creating impromptu “Musical Chairs” in an orderly-disorder manner. To finish the day, we can work on completion of one or two wall hangings and ways of putting these together.

REPEAT: sharing and an excellent sense of humor is REQUIRED! . . . and, oh yes, a good friendship with your sewing machine and basic knowledge of piecing.

OPTIONAL: Quilters PLAYTIME will be available for purchase...not required but recommended.

## **Supplies**

### **I. Recommended: 100% Cotton Fabrics (Prewashed & Ironed).**

FYI: Only bring fabrics that are exciting to you. Gather scraps from recent projects, not the old stuff. Emphasize fabrics that offer you visual stimulation and a delightful array of colors. May be hand-dyed, hand-painted, and Balinese-types. Or, large, bold prints, gutsy geometrics, fun motifs -- that's the drill, too! Borders will be created with Black and White fabrics (see "B").

- A. Scraps. A good selection of leftovers from your scrap bag.
- Assorted sizes and amounts: (long, slender, fat, large, medium, and even very small pieces) and assorted scales & colors. Don't bring a huge amount...it is nice to have scraps on-hand, *if available*.
- B. Additional Pieces.
- 16 precut, all the same-size, squares (yes, real squares) of assorted prints that have the potential of going together in a quilt. Now, just for fun: add a strange color of fabric to the mix that you think might not work. I hear your Q: "What size do you want...?" Easy: any size, but no smaller than 9" square and no larger than 13" square -- your choice -- always.
  - ¼ to ½ yard cuts: 10-15 fabrics, a selection that you would combine into a quilt and work with your 16 squares (above bullet) in assorted colors/scales. Additionally, bring some black 'n white prints, *if you have them and like them as zingers!* Again, these work very well with almost every wallhanging.
  - Variety of small pieces of other fabrics: geometrics, prints & other zany motifs.
  - 1/2 yard of solid white fabric and 1/2 yard of solid black fabric. THIS IS IMPORTANT.
  - *FOREWARNED, as usual: be prepared to scrap-share!*
- C. NOTE: as far as amounts to bring, the only person you must satisfy is yourself. PLAYTIME gears toward more vs. less, due to its improvisational nature. When we finish the game-playing, you may (or may not) use those bold-prints...sometimes as connectors, sometimes as fill-ins...sometimes as bordering.

## II. Other Supplies

- To transport any unsewn blocks, please bring 1½ yds. of neutral or white flannel. Note: this will be drawn upon! It may also be used for a Design Wall, if need-be. *Suggested: a cheapie flannel-back tablecloth from WalMart works great.*
- A permanent marker such as a "Sharpie" in a dark color to draw upon your flannel.
- A piece of cardboard, aprox. 18" square.
- Sewing machine in good working order with extra needles.
- Paper scissors and fabric shears, normal thread (*for piecing*), pins, seam ripper, rotary cutter, mat & other normal sewing supplies for piecing.
- Extension cord (and electrical outlet surge strip, if you have one).
- Iron & ironing board *or ironing cloth surface.*
- Large rotary cutting mat, rotary cutting tools (cutter & **both** a small & long ruler).
- Fabric, as noted above.
- Bobbins (3 -4) filled and ready for piecing.

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