



Add Some **“Magical Thread Art”** to Your Life
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Questions and Answers from the webinar

Hi Sewing Friends!

Thank you so much for joining the webinar or watching the recording. We hope you enjoyed the webinar, our guests, and the Magical Moldable Leaf Bowl. We certainly enjoy bringing programs like this to you, and your support shows how much you like them. If you cannot schedule the webinar into your day, please consider registering anyway. We want to include you in our special promotions and give you access to the instructions, pattern and tip sheet that are only made available to those who register for a particular webinar. If you did not register for the webinar in advance, we hope you consider doing so the next time.

Magical Thread Art Online Course

- **Do I need a special machine to take the Magical Thread Art class?**

A: No. All you need is a basic sewing machine with a few decorative stitches. Your machine needs to be in good working order, but you do not need a high-end machine. There is a computerized embroidery in one of the projects, but we have been providing it finished for sale, and we also include the instructions on how to do that project with free-motion embroidery. Or, you can just not include that project as one of your 7 to 10 that you opt to teach.

- **Is the class for 2016 held all year long? How long is each class? How are the classes conducted. Do we receive the supplies to do the projects?**

A: The next course begins January 11, 2016, and runs for 12 weeks, finishing on April 4th. You work at your own pace and submit photos of your projects when they are complete.

There are complete videos for each project that “star” Ellen Osten, our Director of Education. You will receive the step-by-step full color downloadable instructions.

Everything, including the videos, is downloadable and yours to keep. Since this is a teacher certification class, you are certified to reproduce these instructions and teach the classes wherever you like.

Of course, you can take the class just for fun and not for certification, too. Lots and lots of people have done that.

There are supply kits offered at great savings for the course. You can purchase just the thread, just the stabilizers, or a combo of both. Or just buy what you need. Many people already have a huge stash of Sulky products.

Our online classes are brought to you by Craft University. Once you register, you will receive information to login to Craft University and begin your class. Once the class starts, there will be an online forum where you can interact with Ellen and Patti Lee, as well as other students, post questions, comments and pictures.

Visit our website, www.Sulky.com to find out more information and register. Or contact Patti Lee at patti.lee@sulky.com or Ellen at ellen.osten@sulky.com.

- **Can the discount for the Sulky webstore be applied to the Magical Thread Art certification course?**

A: No, only the discount code especially for the Magical Thread Art online course can be applied to the online course: SULKY100 which gives you \$100 off of the price of the course.

Magical Moldable Leaf Bowl

- **What is the name of the moldable product?**

A: It is called Bosal® Heat Moldable Plus Double-Sided Fusible. The other product is called InnSpire Plus® Double-Sided (Heat-Moldable) Fusible. Look for the tip sheet that will be emailed to you for resources for these products.

- **Is the Bosal Heat Moldable Plus Double-Sided stiff enough to create a handle for the bowl?**

A: There's no reason why it would not work, but you may want to glue the handle to the bowl. It would be very challenging to sew through both layers.

- **Is the shape permanent when cool? If not, is there a way to make it permanent.**

A: The shape may not be 100% permanent due to handling. However, it will retain its shape as long as it is not flattened. Remember, Michelle shared her experience. Her bowl gets flattened in her suitcase and all she does is reheat it and reshape it like she did the first time.

- **Can you heat the project in the microwave to mold it?**

A: I would not recommend doing that. It's very simple to heat with a steam iron. The heat in the microwave is not controllable, and you definitely could not try it with the metallic or polyester threads as they might spark and/or melt.

- **If you use Sulky 40 wt. Rayon thread, will it melt when you apply heat to mold the bowl?**

A: No. Rayon thread is much more heat tolerant than polyester thread. A little care should be used with the metallic thread though. You really don't have to heat it too much with the iron as the steam will soften the product. You can always use a press cloth if you're concerned about protecting the threads.

Because this is such a small project, we found that heating with a steam iron is a pretty quick process, and it holds the heat because it is such a small bowl. If you're doing a huge bowl, then you will be heating it more heavily.

- **What brush on glitter did you use?**

A: There are a few brands available on the market, but we used the Tulip® brand. It's white when it is applied, but dries clear.

- **Was the bottom of the leaf sewn to hold the shape?**

A: No, the product used between the 2 layers of fabric is moldable once it is steamed. If [the bottom is](#) not as flat as you want it to be, you just reheat it and do it again. The bowl really holds its shape well. You'll be amazed!

- **Where do we find the printable pdf, instructions and pattern?**

A: You will receive an email with instructions on how to access the pdf, instructions and pattern.

- **Where can I get a pattern for the fish?**

A: We do not have a pattern for the fish. You can draw your own with guidance from the picture in the instructions, or from the downloadable pdf. You can even use some of your applique patterns to create other fun and interesting bowls.

- **Is the pattern available in .svg format to use with Brother Scan and Cut?**

A: It's not, but I'm sure there is a simple conversion for it, because it is a straight line pattern. The pattern is available to everyone who registered for the webinar, regardless if they attended or not. You will receive an email soon, instructing you how to obtain the downloadable pattern.

- **Is the finished bowl washable?**

A: I think so, but we've never tried it. I know a similar Bosal product is used to make placemats (with a fusible on both sides) and you can certainly wash them. The bowls should clean well just with a damp cloth, though.

- **I believe you said you finished the outline cutting prior to doing the outline stitching. Would you ever recommend saving the final outline cutting until after you do the outline stitching?**

A: Yes, if you use a straight stitch around the edge of the leaf, you can carefully cut right outside the stitching line. Remember to hide the white stabilizer with a permanent-ink marker.

If you choose to do a satin stitch around the edge of the bowl for a cleaner finish, you won't be able to trim as closely to the satin stitch because you might accidentally cut into the stitches. And it would look kind of unfinished I think if you did that. We showed you a trick that uses an approximate 1" strip (or scraps) of Sulky Super Solvy™ stabilizer along the raw edge so that you can sew a satin stitch that's 99% on the bowl and 1% off the edge to give you a clean finished edge.

But, if you do a straight stitch over the traced edge (very close to the edge), you'll want to do that before you do your final trim so that the presser foot can lay fully on the moldable product. Then trim carefully close to the stitching.

Lee Fletcher, Pat-e-Patterns

- **What is the free pattern from Pat-e-Patterns?**

A: The "Scrappy Cosmetic Bag" by Pat-e-Patterns is a free download on the Sulky website. Visit www.Sulky.com and click on the Education and Events tab. In the drop down menu, look for the Sewing Online with Sulky (S.O.S.) webinar. Once you click on that, look for "Add Some Magical Thread Art to your Life" and there you will find the pattern.

Door Prizes

Everyone who attends and is signed on at the time of the door prize drawing is eligible to win. We understand that some people aren't as comfortable typing in a response to say "yay, I'm the winner." We usually ask that you send an email to SulkyWebinar@gmail.com with your mailing address to expedite the process of receiving your door prize. If we do not receive an email from you, don't worry, we will send you an email asking for your address.