

Sharon Bell began her fashion career sewing and designing for clients on the East Coast. Later she taught at the American College for the Applied Arts in Los Angeles, chaired the Fashion Production Department at the Academy of Art College, and directed the Fashion Department at the America Intercontinental University. She presently teaches at the Mt. Diablo Adult Education program in Pleasant Hill, CA. Sharon loves sharing her knowledge with others in any way that she can.

Collars - It's not just white, blue, or spiked anymore! Professional convertible collars for shirts, coats, jackets and shirt collars demonstrated. Learn industry techniques for perfect collars with Sharon Bell.



Susie Brown is a Palmer/Pletsch Educational Associate and Certified Sewing Instructor, specializing in bodice, skirt, dress and pant fitting techniques. She offers classes in garment fitting and beginning sewing. Susie has taught classes for ASG, and many local fabric and quilt shops. She also teaches beginning sewing for children and teens.

All Zipped Up : Invisible and handpicked zippers techniques will be demonstrated.



Gay Gerlack, Martinez, California, is the owner of Sewabration. She has a line of patterns and booklets, and is available to teach and/or speak at educational seminars. She is a member of the Sewing Educators Alliance and the American Sewing Guild. Gay has taught for the Original Creative Festivals, the International Quilt Festival, the Sewing and Stitchery Expo, Puyallup, WA; the International Embroidery Conference, the Creative Embroidery Conference, the Machine Enthusiasts Embroidery Conference, the Janome Sew Easy Retreat, the Sparkle Cruise; the Sew, Quilt and Embroidery Festivals, the Valley Stitcher's Guild, an independent two-day retreat in Indiana; various chapters of the American Sewing Guild and a variety of sewing centers. Gay will be the key note speaker for the Indianapolis, IN Chapter of the American Sewing Guild in November, 2009. Her designs have been featured in Threads Magazine, Sew Stylish Magazine, Designs in Machine Embroidery, and the Embroidery Journal. She has also written articles for Pattern Review. The classes and projects are part of a simplified sewing series designed to make sewing fast, fun and creative...a Sewabration!

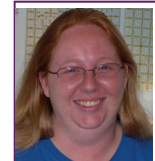
Embellish That! – Make your fabric unique using surface design, beading and other magic with Gay Gerlack.
www.sewabration.com



Susan Lenahan and **Julianne Bramson** (along with Louise Soles) are owners of Fashion in Harmony Fabrics and Patterns. Julianne Bramson creates

versatile, distinctive patterns imbued with timeless grace. Most of Julianne's designs become casual, artistic, whimsical, or elegant based on the sewer's fabric and embellishment choices. Julianne's innovations produce flattering results for most figure types. Susan Lenahan unearths a treasure trove of fabric finds so sewers can revel in the full versatility of Julianne's designs. www.fashioninharmony.com

We're not biased! But these skirts are... - Walk away with a no-pattern, flatters-all skirt with Susan Lenahan and Julianne Bramson.



Many of you know **Audrey Myers** as the sewing machine technician at Lafayette Sewing Center. She has been repairing sewing machines there for almost five years. She has worked on all of the major brands of machines including Janome, Bernina, Viking, White, Singer, Pfaff, Brother, Babylock, and many other brands. She performs repair work at all levels of skill from a simple cleaning to machine timing to replacement of major parts of the machines.

Who's the Boss? Learn basic sewing machine and serger maintenance with Audrey Meyer.



Rachel Myers has been a member of the American Sewing Guild since 1993, Rachel has had a passion for sewing for as long as she can remember. For over thirty years she has been sewing for others – sewing all kinds of projects such as wedding dresses, suits, costumes, knits, alterations, cushions, pillows, curtains, etc. For the last ten years she has concentrated more of her energy on upholstery and home decorative sewing. Once all the upholstery projects were done in her home, she started upholstering others' projects. She became known as the "Cushion Queen" at school. Currently, Rachel teaches upholstery at Mt. Diablo Adult Education. Last spring she introduced a new class called Sewing for the Home, which has turned out to be a very popular class.

Does Martha live here? Learn great professional home dec technique for perfect corners with Rachael Meyers.



Julia Perhac learned to sew in Junior High School. Her love for this creative outlet smoldered, unattended, for many years as life had other priorities. She recently brushed off the cobwebs and reawakened the passion. As a working professional, time and other demands continue to compete against a sewing priority, so Julia has adopted a "Get Going Sewing" attitude and is always in search of a new tip or strategy to maximize her sewing rewards.

Inspired by online wardrobe building projects, Julia presents the **SWAP (Sewing with a Plan)** strategy, first introduced by Australian Stitches Magazine. She'll show you how to approach a wardrobe makeover, hone your sewing skills and finally, have something to wear that will match your lifestyle.



Kathleen Poole has over 20 years experience working in San Francisco's Fashion Industry. She supervised design workrooms at several companies. Her specialty was creating first and production patterns. She has CAD experience engineering and grading production patterns. She also has experience working with contractors. www.poolefashiongroup.com

Balance is a Virtue – Learn how to "proof" your pattern before you cut with Kathleen Poole.

Welts to be Proud Of! Pockets, that is, with Kathleen Poole.