

HVQ 2022 Collage Quilt Design Challenge

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Basic Info:

A **collage pattern** is one assembled by gluing paper scraps, photographs, cloth, or other objects onto a flat surface. It's derived from the French "coller," to glue.

A **fabric collage** is defined as cutting pieces of one type of fabric and sewing them onto another type of fabric. It's very similar to paper collage in the sense that you can create it as you go. It can be a very freeing exercise and you can develop your ideas as you are sewing your piece.

A **collage quilt** is a layering fabric for the design as an art style quilt. The layered fabric can be held in place with tulle or quilting. Motifs or shapes are cut from a variety of fabrics and combined with other materials, then layered onto a fabric base to create a picture or design. They are intended as wall hangings, but they can be washed in cold water on delicate setting. Laying flat and air-drying is recommended.

Emily Taylor (from Sandy, UT), **Laura Heine**, and **Susan Carlson** are three well-known collage quilters. Our own Lara Wilson did an awesome collage quilt of her beloved dog!

7 things to consider when creating a collage:

- 1) Consider composition.
- 2) Choose a theme.
- 3) Use contrast to build tension.
- 4) Work with patterns and textures.
- 5) Incorporate typography.
- 6) Play around with color.
- 7) Consider the negative image.

The Challenge:

Choose an image (photo, magazine picture, postcard, greeting card, coloring book page, art work, Google images, etc.), for inspiration and create a collage quilt based on the image.

Requirements:

Finished Item: quilt, bag, pillow, wall hanging, table runner/topper, etc., in any size

Supplies:

Fabric: foundation, background, design fabrics (perhaps from your stash), wood, paint, thread work, embroidered embellishments (decorative stitches, beads, buttons, etc.), small sharp scissors, stylus or tweezers

3 Techniques: 1) glue (Alene's tacky glue & small brushes, Elmer's white glue, glue sticks), 2) pins (sharp flexible straight pins) & a pinboard, and/or 3) fusible web paper & an iron.

Judging and Prizes:

Judging will be based on:

1. Originality/creativity
2. Best use of materials
3. Color and value differentiation
4. Workmanship and quality of sewing

Cash prizes: 1st (\$25), 2nd (\$15), 3rd (\$10) & participation gifts

Deadline:

HVQ's September meeting on 9/8/22.

Resources: (copy and paste each onto your browser)

<https://collagequilter.com> (Emily Taylor's website)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xoCq6jWwUc> (Emily Taylor's tips on selecting fabrics)

<https://youtu.be/kjZCOKidQFE> (collage quilting for beginners)

<https://youtu.be/o2uuavekvwo> (Laura Heine's bee)

https://youtu.be/kAVo_vTMqc4 (Laura Heine's rooster)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6_sgOA-3mrs&t=73s (Emily Taylor's clementine tree)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qooshQd2vw0> (Emily Taylor's rooster)

<https://youtu.be/Dr5PcdFgv2E> (a collage quilt from a photo)

<https://youtu.be/VcN1v8sVD-Y> (a collage quilt from a painting)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=McAl-y_DKmM (cutting & combining collage pieces before selecting the background)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=88spcmJJixc> (finding images and creating a collage quilt with 3 different techniques)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kjZCOKidQFE> (turning a photo into a sketch into an art quilt)

<https://susancarlson.com/2018/11/10/choosing-your-subject-for-fabric-collage/> with others (choosing a subject for a collage quilt)

<https://susancarlson.com/2016/04/02/making-a-pattern-for-a-fabric-collage-quilt/> (making a pattern from an image)