

## **Silk Fusion** with Alysse Catron

This unique method bonds silk fibers into a lustrous kind of "felt" which can be gossamer and transparent or thick and opaque as leather. Because the fibers are unspun, silk's rich luster and texture are captured. Silk fusion is a perfect canvas for hand or machine stitching, printing, stamping, origami, quilting, jewelry, wearable art, book coverings, and collage.

There are two sessions to this class. The Silk Fusion takes approximately 15-24 hours to dry so the Monday morning we will start on our applique and make your individual Silk Fusion, Tuesday when the silk is dry you will remove your piece from the screen, fuse it and finish the appliques started on the first day. For the applique you will work with a pre-made piece of Silk Fusion so you understand how it behaves and workability. For the pre-made piece (seahorse) if you would like to make an applique that is different please let me see your pattern to determine if it will be suitable and fit the pre-made pieces (approximately 7" by 10").

I have lots of colors and fun embellishments, Angelina, Sari Silk Fibers, Funky Silk Fibers, and ribbons/yarns available to add to your piece. This is the really fun part! If you have any items (such as fun yarn) for embellishments please bring them! You may also sew beads on or quilt the Silk Fusion.

.Please give some thought as to what type of Silk Fusion you would like to make, a natural scene, abstract or a small clutch. I will have 2 sewing machines available if you want to make a clutch. You can email me at [konacats@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:konacats@hawaii.rr.com) with questions or your preferred project!

### **Supply List (please bring to class):**

Scissors for cutting applique  
Applique Pins  
Fun embellishments  
Any Applique shapes (fish, trees bugs) you might want to make.

Aloha,

Alysse