Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta (AFAF) 2024 Guild-Sponsored Class

Colcha Embroidery: Hummingbird in Flight

Sponsored by Las Aranas Spinners and Weavers Guild

Friday, April 12, 2024 1:30pm – 4:00pm, 2.5 Hours Classroom C



Description: This historic technique is specific to New Mexico and Colorado, which was adopted by the early Spanish settlers to New Spain. Stitchers adapted to the environment and materials at hand to create utilitarian and exceptional articles of beauty.

The Instructor: Annette Gutierrez Turk is an artist juried in colcha embroidery and weaving with the Spanish Colonial Artist Society. She is a 16th generation New Mexican who is proud of this historic embroidery technique and has a desire to share her knowledge. She has taught nationally and regionally, as well as locally for the Embroiderers Guild of America. She's demonstrated colcha embroidery at international shows in China. Her work is currently in the Museum of Spanish Colonial Arts and the Guizhou Arts Museum in Guizhou, China.

Level: All skill levels, age 12 and older

Class size: Maximum 10 students

Cost: \$40 This does not include EXPO parking fee or show entry fee.

Materials

Students need to bring: Their enthusiasm and a pair of sewing/utility scissors. The instructor will provide a full kit including fabric with the design imprinted, needle, yarn sufficient to complete the project and informational booklet showing the stitch and relating its history.

Registration and Payment Email registration to **colchera at comcast dot net** (address written out to avoid spammers.) Bring payment to the class - either cash or a check payable to Annette Gutierrez Turk.