## **Supply List for Stitching Memories**

## Stitching Memories honoring our ancestors through stitched art

Do you have heirloom textiles sitting in a drawer, too fragile to use? Hand made lace, embroidered hankies, aprons? Is there a quilt that means something to you but is unusable, rotted because of time and neglect?

Textiles are often the only physical remainder of the hand work of women who came before us. In this workshop we seek to honor the work, beauty, artistry, and memories of those who came before us. Let's bring their work out of the box and onto the wall by creating artwork from the precious heirloom textiles. We will collage, embroider, and perhaps embellish the textiles. We can include photos of our ancestors

You will have the choice to begin working right away with your heirlooms, or creating a practice piece while brainstorming ideas for what to do with the textiles that hold memories for you.

Skill level: All levels No sewing machine required Supply Fee: Lyric will have vintage laces and linens, embroidery and beading supplies, misty fuse, and vintage photos to transfer available for purchase.

Students will discuss the use of heirloom textiles, learn basic embroidery stitches, photo transfer techniques, and discuss possibilities for how to mount or frame these artworks. As we stitch Lyric will share prompts that help us honor and remember the important things about the people we love, giving students the option to incorporate words and symbols of those relationships into their collages.

## **Student Supplies:**

- Scraps of cloth for backgrounds (linen, quilting, anything you like, minimum 8" x 10") Heirloom textiles such as lace, fabric, quilts, handkerchiefs, etc. You don't have to cut into them during class but it would be wonderful to see them and get ideas.
- Embroidery threads and supplies, Buttons, embellishments and any ephemera you might want to use
- Embroidery hoop if you want to work with lighter weight fabrics
- Pins

## **Optional Student Supplies:**

- Battery operated light and/or magnifying lamp if needed.
- · Photos already transferred onto cloth and/or photos you simply want to discuss