



Please visit my website for more information about my lectures and workshops!

I look forward to sharing my quilts and their stories with your group!

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# Helle-May Designs



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*Lectures  
Workshops  
Patterns*

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*Traditional Designs  
Sewn With  
Unique Inspiration*

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## Background...



Helle-May has had a needle in her hand as long as she can remember. Growing up in New Jersey, her mother was a seamstress who owned several fabric shops.

In school, math and science were her strengths, so she pursued a degree in Engineering and focused her career on improving the operational efficiency of several companies.

Helle-May discovered quilting in 1998 when her husband's job took her to Chicago. Not long after, she became a stay-at-home mom with a passion for quilting! In 2007, Helle-May found herself back on the East coast and decided to launch **Helle-May Designs**. She now has her own line of patterns and shares her work, experiences and insight by offering lectures and workshops.

Her quilts have been exhibited in cities across the country including Houston, Chicago, Nashville, and Lancaster. She has also been published in ***Quilters Newsletter, Quilter's Home, Quilt It for Christmas, American Quilter Magazine***, and ***The NQA Quarterly***.

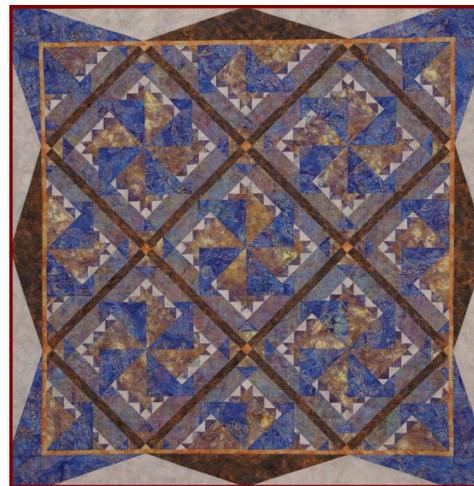
## Philosophy...

Helle-May typically starts with a traditional design and then draws inspiration from her Estonian heritage and a childhood spent playing between bolts of fabric to create a unique look and layout.

She enjoys playing with color and shape to create geometric designs that look more complicated than they actually are to make. Her favorite challenge is to find the most effective techniques to make the quilts come together with ease and, most importantly, as planned!

Patterns are written from an engineer's perspective with detailed instructions and diagrams every step of the way.

Lectures are intended to inspire and workshops are aimed at introducing or improving skills and techniques for better quilting!



## Programs...

**Lectures (Fee: \$275<sup>+</sup>; Approx. 1 hr.)**

### **Don't be Afraid to Show That Quilt!**

One quilter's surprise journey and words of advice for those quilters who think their quilts "aren't good enough" for a quilt show!

### **Electric Quilt Software: Virtual to Reality**

Real life examples demonstrate how the features of this easy to use software can help you design the quilt you've been dreaming about making!

**Workshops (Fee: \$500<sup>+</sup>; 6 hours)**

### **College of Continuous Quilt Improvement (CCQI)**

Learn or refresh those quilting skills that will eliminate the need to say "Don't look too closely at my quilt!"

### **Electric Quilt 6/7 for Beginners**

You've got the software - learn how to use it! Or take this opportunity to try it out with a free limited-time trial version!

### **QUILTapestry: Orphan Block Rescue**

Rescue an orphaned block while learning a new finishing technique and go home with a finished mini wall quilt!

<sup>+</sup> Plus applicable travel expenses.