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Nancy Prince



Nancy Prince, an award winning quilt artist, noted author and teacher from Orlando, Florida, specializes in thread painting. Her anyone-can-do-it approach to thread painting is fun, easy and a new way for quilters to broaden their quilting experience. Nancy is totally addicted to thread painting and her enthusiasm in workshops can be contagious!!! She travels the country teaching and sharing the excitement and creativity thread painting brings to her quilting world. She excels in taking the mystery out of thread painting, making it easy for anyone to master.

Visit www.nancyprince.com to preview Nancy's gallery of work and to learn more about her workshops, books, videos and patterns.

Look Who's Sewing with BERNINA...



Life in Holly Ridge

Nancy's Artistic Journey

"A casual photograph of a waterfall, a zigzag stitch and a new, but exciting, learning curve was my introduction into thread painting. No one was more surprised than me when my first thread painted quilt actually looked like the photograph. Not being over endowed with artistic genes, I was surprised at how simple thread painting was right from the start. The stroke of a needle, a design and a little bit of time was my only prerequisite. All I needed to thread paint was the ability to drop the feed dogs, and a straight or zigzag stitch. Just too simple!!!"

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Workshops with Nancy

"Once I was over the top of the learning curve, the next obvious step was to teach others my new found passion. Students became excited when they found how thread could transform their landscape from a flat one dimensional quilt to one that was alive with activity and color. In workshops they learn how to thread paint stunning trees from luscious fall foliage to the subtly of a spring tree. Flower workshops are always a favorite where students learn the secrets of thread painting miniature flowers as well as how to use shading, blending and highlighting to create a realistic flower that Mother nature would be proud to produce.

Along the way students asked for a shorter version of thread painting so I created thread sketching workshops. Thread sketching is meant to give the ideal of a simple landscape or design but isn't intended to capture the entire essence and have become workshop favorites because students can complete a project in a short period of time. But at the end of the day, it doesn't matter what workshop a student takes as most will find that the creative possibilities are endless, and there is no better way to personalize a quilt or garment."

Visit www.nancyprince.com to find out more about Nancy's hands-on and online workshops.



Nancy's a BERNINA 830 Fan!

"Many students ask what machine I use and I always proudly say a BERNINA. It goes without saying that a BERNINA sewing machine is first class and the quality is unquestionable. Not only are the machines first class, but also fantastic local dealers offer guide lessons to assure the buyer knows all the special features of their specific machine. And then there is the BERNINA 830 - WOW is all I can say."



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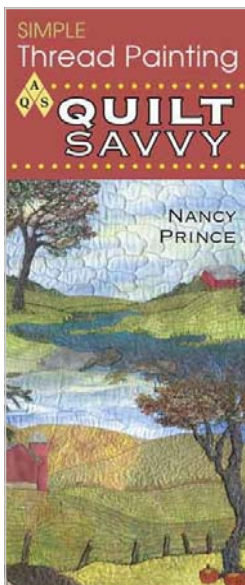


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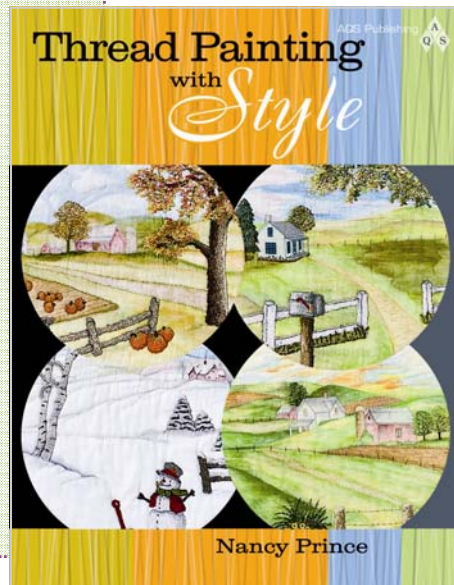
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Noted Author

For more information on thread painting or sketching, select Nancy's book, *Simple Thread Painting*. Available in Spring 2011 will be Nancy's new book, *Thread Painting with Style*, which focuses on creating realistic designs with thread by incorporating shading, blending and highlighting into the design.

In the works, is a multi-format CD of embroidery designs called *Stitching the Seasons* featuring designs that will fit entirely in the BERNINA 830 mega hoop, but can be multi-hooped for all BERNINA embroidery machines.



Nancy's Advice to You!

"Obviously I see many talented students in workshops and many are hesitant to take their talent or technique to the next step. Some have been perfecting their technique for years while others are just beginning their journey. Many times as quilters or seamstresses all we need is a bit of validation that the path we are taking is the right one. A gentle nudge is sometimes all it takes. So if you are a budding textile artist or a beginning sewer, join a quilting or sewing guild that offers workshops from national and experienced local teachers. Workshops are a great way to discover and add to your talents and shorten the learning curve not to mention the lifelong friends that you will meet along the way. So don't just sit there - there is a world of wonderful friends to meet and projects to discover!"

A Country Day - Thread Painting Project

Try your hand at thread painting. Be sure to download Nancy's *A Country Day* thread painting project. You'll be amazed at how thread painting can add a new dimension to your textile projects!

