Stitch Stampede

Class Description:
(Confident beginner)
Let's Play with Clay …. and get Stamping!
Create a collection of unique clay stamps using a variety of mark-making tools. Birds and bugs, fish or flowers, a menagerie of animals, houses, or abstract shapes….your design choices are wide-open. Then, using a blend of acrylic inks and mediums, we will print the patterns onto cotton fabric creating a stash of your images in a wide variety of color ways. Paint markers can add detail, refining the designs. These prints will be free-motion and/or hand-stitched then arranged and attached to a background fabric. My preference is to use free-motion machine stitching but this process will also be beautiful with simple hand-embroidery. You might choose to make one larger composition, several smaller ones, or mount them in a book format or a scroll. Come explore this easy, unusual fabric printing technique and make some magical art.
Materials/kit fee $45:
All materials will be provided for the project.
-Polymer clay
-Cotton fabric to print on
-Lightweight cotton canvas for backgrounds
-Acrylic felt
-Freezer paper
-Parchment paper
-Drawing paper
-Acrylic paint
-Matte medium
-Foam printing mats
-Inspirational designs and patterns-Shared use of mark-making tools, paint brushes, acrylic paint markers, embroidery
threads and needles, clay ovens, and of course there will plenty of chocolate!
Student Supplies:
- Sewing machine with free-motion capability, free-motion or darning foot, regular foot (Sewing machines are available for rent)
- Basic sewing supplies - pins, extra needles (I use top-stitch and denim needles), bobbins, seam ripper, thimble, etc.
- Sewing machine thread - your choice of colors - I use 40 wt. black
- Fabric and Paper scissors
- Art apron
- Fabric for back side (details to follow prior to class)