

CLASS #213
INSTRUCTOR: Lynn Payette
TITLE: *Beautiful Birches*
TECHNIQUE: Mixed Media
LEVEL OF PROFICIENCY: All Levels
TIME: 2-Day Class
PRICE OF KIT: \$72
GROUND FABRIC: White Soft Congress Cloth

COURSE DESCRIPTION

“Beautiful Birches” (a non-charted design) contains unique techniques for working stitches, as well as the application of sheer and opaque fabrics to the Congress cloth to create the ground areas. The layering of sheers to create depth and perspective, working with dowels, paper, and manipulated photographs of birch trees, and working with silk ribbons is taught.

Much emphasis will be placed on creating a light source and cast shadows, as well as on creating depth and perspective in a landscape. This will give the illusion of the background trees fading behind the foreground and mid-ground trees. Silk ribbons in varying sizes are used to create the leaves. The foreground leaves will be very detailed, while the mid and back leaves will not. The ground is created using the sheer and opaque fabrics, which are applied with Wonder Under, a fusible web. The hillock sections are then trimmed and embellished with the novelty fibers and threads to give the appearance of grasses and weeds.

“Beautiful Birches” contains unique and unusual techniques and gives the student opportunities for placement of stitches, colors and media and to learn about creating a light source, depth and perspective in a landscape.

Lynn Payette resides in Connecticut and comes from an art education background. She has taught for over 38 years at all levels for EGA, ANG, Callaway and NAN, among other venues. She has also designed for many needlework companies. Lynn teaches mixed media, crewel, silk and metal, stumpwork, Brazilian, doll making and clothing embellishment.