

“KIMONO DESIGNS PURSE” WORKSHOP

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Salem Methodist Church – 14825 Manchester Rd. 63011
9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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Fiber Artist, Springfield, MO, KIMONO DESIGNS

The kimono is more than just a robe. Like the zen garden and the tea ceremony it is an integral part in Japanese life and culture. They are usually made with great craftsmanship from highly decorated and prized fabrics. During my 7 years living in Japan, I came to value them as much as the Japanese.

But times and fashions change. Even the finest garments can become surplus. When I returned to the United States the artist and the home economics teacher in me tried to find a way to breathe new life into these beautiful robes.

Combining highly decorative kimono highlights with silk and other fine fabrics I handcrafted one of a kind wearable items and fashion accessories for the North American market. My work has been featured in gift shops and the cover of the 2011 Christmas catalog of the Smithsonian Institution. The care and craftsmanship I use in producing my fashions and accessories make them perfect to give as gifts or to add to your own wardrobe. I hope they will be prized as family heirlooms.

Workshop Fee - \$25 Per Person + Kit Cost (see below for one of two kit options)

Space is Limited to 20 Students

Students provide their own lunch and assembly supplies

- Learn how to make a one-of-a-kind small purse from Theresa Gallup, Kimono Designs.
- Choose from one of two purse design kits:



Small purse – 7”x9” - \$24 kit cost



Mini purse – 5”x8” - \$19 kit cost

- Kits include all the fabrics and accents to make your purse - black piping, tassel/bead accent, satin lining, inner lining, magnetic snap, and 52” shoulder cord.
- All other assembly supplies are provided by the student, listed below.

Supply List:

- Sewing machine
- Black thread
- Zipper sewing machine presser foot
- Regular sewing machine presser foot
- Needle-nose plyers
- Thead snips
- Fabric scissors to trim fabric