

CQLondon Dyed Blocks

Packs of dyed fabrics were distributed to members in the summer of 2019. The packs include a range of type of fabric with two linens, two 'special' cottons, two normal cottons, one silk noil, one silk and bamboo mix and three cotton pieces dyed in the 'exhausted' buckets. All the packs are unique. Colour-wise they contain:

1. 4 fabrics from the royal blue to dark brown cross over (all tied together for easy identification).
2. 4 supporting fabrics, with at least one piece in red/orange, turquoise/blue and a pink brown.

The instruction is to make three blocks - all just pieced/applique, no quilting at this stage. The three blocks should all be 8.5 x 12.5 inches, i.e. 8 x 12 finished size. The only additional design constraint is that they should look CONTEMPORARY (as opposed to traditional or modern or pictorial), we are after all a contemporary group.

Block 1 - made ONLY from the blue to brown cross over fabrics, doesn't have to include all of them but can only be made from the cross over fabrics, no additions or embellishment. Pieced or appliqué as you wish. It MUST contain at least one and maybe more circle(s), or some recognisable part of a circle.

Block 2 - made ONLY from the 4 supporting fabrics again it doesn't have to include all of them but can only be made from them, no additions or embellishments. Pieced or appliqué as you wish. It MUST contain at least one and maybe more curved line(s).

Block 3 - should use some or all of the dyed fabric and can include additional fabric which you happen to have about you and you can embellish this as you wish. It is 'free for all', but still finished size 8 x 12 inches.

In October having reviewed the blocks members had made, each member took 3 blocks, selected at random, to alter them into one rectangular block. Cutting is allowed and use of extra fabric from the leftovers. The size of the blocks is not important as we will make stripy sashing to fill any spaces.