

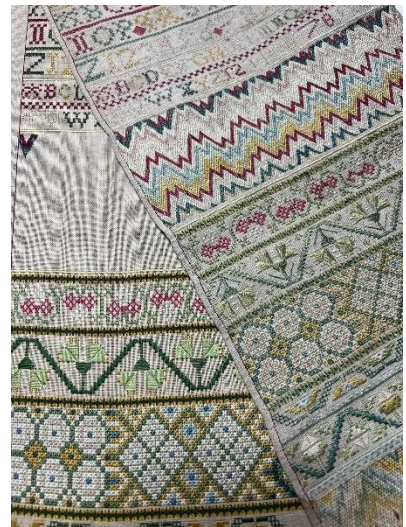


Black Swans 2024 Encore Gathering November 18th – 20th (Monday – Wednesday) 2024

Join Jackie du Plessis and Kimberly Young for a 3-day workshop series featuring a gorgeous 1747 sampler reproduction and several 3-dimensional needlework accessories inspired by the sampler.

Location Fairfield Inn & Suites - Weaverville, NC

This gorgeous sampler from the collection of Kimberly was acquired almost a decade ago from Witney Antiques in Oxfordshire, England and has long been highly requested as a reproduction by nearly everyone who's seen it. To this end, Jackie has worked tirelessly for more than a year to both faithfully reproduce this English beauty, staying true to AD's gorgeous stitches, as well as matching the still vibrant colors of silk AD originally used to create her sampler. AD 1747 is truly a gem worthy of a museum, and we are so very thrilled to offer the experience of her to you, our fledgling group of Black Swan Cygnets!



Your mornings will be spent learning the stitches of the sampler and working through the layout of this stunning beauty, and your afternoons will shift into the stitching and finishing of the needlework/stitcher's accessories inspired by AD 1747. The Stitcher's Accessories include a Stitcher's Pocket decorated with stitched motifs that feature elements of

nature inspired by the sampler; a Wall Pocket adorned with Bargello/Flame stitches taken from the sampler; and a fabulous Needle Roll and Scissor Minder/Fob equally reminiscent of the beautiful sampler.



Together we will stitch, explore, and develop our needlework expertise using AD 1747 as our focal point. You'll learn about the time period of the original sampler, the history of the stitches, and even some historical insight into the Stitcher's Accessories.

And you'll be welcomed into a new needlework family, our Black Swans family, where we intend to focus on you, as well as your stitching, while you're with us. You'll find that this is a special event, one that's been several years in the making, and we hope you'll want to return to us each year to build on your experiences and to refresh your stitching enthusiasm, as we bring you new treasures every time we meet.

Our classroom is limited to 24 students per event, so that each student has the opportunity to bond within the group and learn in a small classroom environment. We'll spend each day together with lunch catered in, and plenty of time for stitching and socializing.

AD 1747 and her Stitcher's Accessories will not be taught outside of our Black Swans Studios event. 2025 will bring a brand new sampler reproduction and smalls to our group for your consideration and study.

The sampler and accessories will be stitched on gorgeous 40ct Hogbristle linen from Fox and Rabbit with sumptuous silks from Au ver a Soie.

The event will be held at The Fairfield Inn & Suites in Weaverville NC. Room rates have been negotiated with the Inn for \$119 per night for a standard Queen or Double room. You will be provided with the necessary reservation information once your registration with us for the workshop has been confirmed.

The 3-day workshop fee is \$750 and includes all of your linen, silks, and detailed stitching and finishing instruction packet; your lunch all three days; a reception and stitch – in event; some special swag; and most importantly, your instruction and tutelage with Jackie.

Registration is via email only.

You must email classes@blackswansstudios.com with your name, phone number, and mailing address.

Registration opens on Wednesday September 11th.

BE SURE TO INPUT THE EMAIL ADDRESS CORRECTLY. “Swans” and “Studios” are both plural... note the “s” at the end of each.

A \$300 Non-refundable deposit will secure your spot once I’ve confirmed your registration. Once confirmed, I will send you an invoice.

What happens if you need to cancel?

Deposits are not refundable, and no kits will be shipped if you are unable to attend.

If you find that you need to cancel, time is of the essence. We are happy to refund any portion paid beyond your deposit once we fill your seat. If we are unable to fill your spot, no refunds can be made. We must cover our costs if we want to continue to bring you fabulous opportunities. Cancellations must be received via email to classes@blackswansstudios.com