

May 15, 2011 Workshop

Shading with Thread: A Free Motion Machine Embroidery Workshop

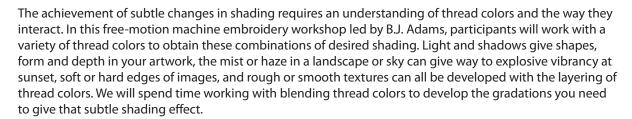
Date: Sunday, May 15, 2011 **Time:** 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Place: 343 Eighth Avenue, New York City

Cost: \$60.00

Sign up: Your check made out to *Empire Quilters* should be given or sent to **Mary Butler**. Email info@empirequilters.net if you need Mary's address.

More info: For more information about the workshop, or *Empire Quilters*, go to www.empirequilters.net. For more information about B.J. Adams, visit www.bjadamsart.com



Supplies needed:

- A sewing machine with the ability to drop the feed dog and a darning foot.
- Appropriate needles for your machine. I prefer size 14 top stitch needles.
- Scissors for thread clipping.
- Thread: size 50 or 60 sewing machine threads. While I feel I never have enough thread colors, blending what I have on hand is the essence to shading, so don't plan to buy a lot of thread unless you need it. Choose one or two colors ranging, from very light to very dark. Include the grayed shades of your color choices, as well. While thread mixing and shading, several textures will be developed giving you a variety of experiments and samples for future images.

There are two ways for you to work with fabric:

Use a hoop that fits under the foot of the machine, preferably a wood one with a screw to tighten the
outer ring. Wrap the inner ring with strips of cotton. For working with a hoop bring plain white cotton
fabric that isn't too light in weight ... muslin or something heavier will be fine.

OR

• If you have no hoop or prefer to work without one, bring heavy artist canvas or something similar, a yard is more than enough of any fabric you choose.

