

North Suburban NeedleArts Guild
Indigo Shibori + Natural Dyes Workshop

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<Student Supplies List>

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1. Cohn will provide a small piece of silk (already pre mordant by Cohn in her studio before the workshop) and a Chiffon scarf for each student. NOTE: These are included in the supply fee.

2. **Bring** one piece of silk for natural dyeing. It should be prewashed* light weight white/ natural silk: **Up to 10g (less than 1oz.)** approx. 12" x 22" or 1/4y (or less) of Habotae, or Charmeuse, or Crepe De Chine. You could use Tussah silk, or other thick silk which does not weigh over 10g.

NOTE: We will weigh each fabric before start in classroom.

We will put fabric in a pot together for our natural dyeing process. It means each of us will prepare a small piece so that all can fit into the dye pot. After leaning the basic process, you will be able to produce any amount of fabric with natural dyes at home.

*PRE-WASH (Do it at home) for silk: It must be 100% silk. No surface treatment. No polyester mixture. Use mild soap with warm water (not hot). Wash gently, rinse well. Hang to dry.

3. **Bring** pre-washed white/natural fabric for indigo dyeing, e.g. cotton, linen, bamboo, rayon, silk, wool, etc. Various sizes are fine, **total approx. 1y**. No polyester blend or surface treatment.

PRE-WASH (Do it at home) for white/ natural cotton: Use a drop of mild soap or Synthropol with warm water. Wash well and rinse well. You may use a washing machine. Hang to dry.

suggested sources: Thai Silks

www.thaisilks.com

Dharma Trading Company

www.dharmatrading.com

Jacquard

www.jacquardproducts.com

Vogue Fabrics

Main Street in Evanston

Bring

-Sketch book or note book, pencils

-Rubber gloves (Longer is better)

-Bath towel

-For natural dyeing: Chop sticks, popsicle sticks, strings, set of small wood blocks, plastic clips, unusable CDs, etc. to resist. NOTE: Metal object doesn't work most natural dyeing processes.

-For indigo dyeing: In addition to the above, wooden clothes pins, safety pins, C-clamps, etc, to resist

-Several sizes of rubber bands

-Crochet threads or strings

-Strong threads (eg. carpet threads, button threads, upholstery threads)

-Needles for the above threads (sharp pointed and large eyes)

-Disappearing marking pen or chalk (mark on fabric)

-Scissors

-Plastic bags, Yugurt container (take wet fabrics home)

-Small bucket (to carry your own wet fabric)

-Apron

-Dust mask (optional)

-Seam ripper (optional)