



## STAB BOUND ARTIST BOOKS

Jëka Lambert

- For the book covers: 10 sheets of colored cardstock and/or heavy weight decorative papers cut precisely to 5"x7". We will make 5 books, 2 covers per book. Smooth firm papers such as cardstock will work best. Avoid highly textured handmade papers.
- For the book pages: 50-75 sheets of light to medium weight paper cut precisely to 5"x7". We will make 5 books; each book will contain approximately 10-15 pages. Suitable papers include sketchbook/drawing paper, stationary or writing paper, decorative papers, old magazines, pages from old books, etc.
- Binding string/heavy Thread. Choose binding material to coordinate with cover papers - DMC pearl cotton - preferred, embroidery floss or other comparable thread/string, nylon top stitching thread. Stable, smooth string/thread works best. DO NOT use strings that fray, strings with an uneven surface and strings with metallic threads for the binding string/thread.
- Sewing needle with eye that is large enough to accommodate the binding thread but small enough to fit thru a 1/16" hole multiple times
- Metal ruler - make sure your ruler doesn't slip around, you need a ruler that stays exactly where you put it.
- Cutting mat with measuring grid, 8"x10" or larger
- Xacto knife with a sharp blade plus a couple of replacement blades
- Awl or 1/16" hole punch if you have one. I will have a couple of punches to share. The hole punch is preferred, but an awl will work if you don't have a punch.
- Pencil
- Bone folder
- Needle nose pliers - optional. Helpful for pulling a stuck needle thru the hole.
- Elmer's type glue
- 2 or more clamps/clips to hold the book pages in place while you construct the book. The clips must be large enough to accommodate the thickness of all the book pages plus the 2 covers. Recommended clamps/clips are those black "paper clips" with the pinchy things that fold back on themselves or the silver clips with the 2 handles stuck into a round tube that you squeeze to open the clip.
- Artwork to decorate the book covers - drawings, paintings, original prints, found images, etc.