

Wonju Seo

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Wrapping with Blessings II (Intermediate level)

During this 3day workshop, students will learn hand sewing techniques, Gamchijil (whip stitches) and Ssam-sol (filet stitches), to create a Hot-bo (single layer Pojagi), which can either be displayed as art or used as decorative accent items such as a window screen and a table runner. Students will make their own patterns after observing images of the antique pojagi and explore Korean summer fabrics to create their unique textile art.

Pojagi is a centuries-old traditional Korean wrapping cloth typically in square shape, and made out of Korean natural fabric, such as silk, hemp, cotton and ramie fabric. There are many different names of pojagi depending on their functions, design and materials, and it was created for wrapping, carrying and storing objects from prestigious items to objects of everyday life. One of the most popular pojagis is patchwork wrapping cloth called Chogakbo, which shows beautiful tiny stitches that connect all natural fabric scraps in various colors. After 20th century, pojagi became a Korean cultural icon and started transforming as a unique textile art.

Asian Art Museum, CA: <http://www.asianart.org/collections/bojagi>

Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bojagi>

Student Equipment List:

A sharp scissor for cutting fabric and a utility scissor for cutting thread and paper

Thimbles

20 patchwork pins

A pin cushion

A magnifying glass (if you need)

A portable lamp

Iron

A small plastic spray bottle

White muslin 1 ½ yard

48" wide 96" long heavy duty pattern making paper

clear tape

NO. 2 pencils sharpened

An eraser

Rulers: 10" or 12" clear plastic grid ruler and 30" L shape ruler

Sewing machine and any colored thread (free-motion quilting is not required)

Any of your machine sewing supplies

A Kit will be provided for this course:

\$35 / student

Various colors of Korean ramie fabric

Colored silk thread

Hand sewing needles

Hara marker with an extra thin tip and curve design