

### About Janet Dapson and Fabrications

Your Michigan Sewing Vacation instructor is Janet Dapson, a Palmer/Pletsch Certified Sewing Instructor. Janet has attained the Palmer/Pletsch master level of Educational Associate, specializing in bodice/skirt/dress/pant fitting and tailoring techniques. In addition to Palmer/Pletsch Sewing Vacations, she offers basic to advanced sewing classes, including garment fitting and construction, at her specialty fabric store, *Fabrications* Fabric Warehouse, located in Richland, Michigan near Kalamazoo.



The *Fabrications* Fabric Warehouse, is a fun, funky space, which includes the *Accouters* classroom. The shop occupies approximately 1,200 square feet at the *Village Common*, a charming cottage complex in the Village of Richland. The classroom space is in a partitioned section of the retail shop, allowing quick access to needed supplies. Classroom furnishings include sturdy sewing tables, adjustable office chairs, Sew-Brite cutting tables, and Reliable irons and ironing stations.

All fabrics are hand selected and are primarily natural fibers; silks, wools, cottons, rayons and linens. Unusual blends are a specialty, with combinations such as wool/cashmere, wool/silk, silk/cotton, wool/Lycra and silk/Lycra. The focus on natural fibers extends to the exquisite yarns found in the *Fabrications* Yarn Cottage in the same complex. Along with quality yarns and fabrics, *Fabrications* carries a variety of notions used during your Sewing Vacations, plus Palmer/Pletsch books, DVDs, Perfect Pattern Paper, and PerfectFuse Interfacings.

### About Palmer/Pletsch Sewing Vacations

Palmer/Pletsch has become known for its successes in teaching people to fit. Hundreds of students from around the world have gone to Portland, Oregon for Palmer/Pletsch sewing workshops. Palmer/Pletsch satellite centers are located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Seattle, Washington, as well as near Kalamazoo, Michigan at *Fabrications*. Palmer/Pletsch workshops provide a unique educational experience at a reasonable price. Class sizes are small enough for each student to receive personal attention. These 2-, 4-, and 5-day workshops are intensive. You will be immersed in fitting and sewing without outside interruptions! Considering the number of hours involved, the cost of a workshop breaks down to less than \$26.00 per hour and includes lunches, snacks and drinks.

Treat yourself to the ultimate Sewing Vacation at *Fabrications*!

For complete details about Michigan Sewing Vacations and to register, go to [www.palmerpletsch.com](http://www.palmerpletsch.com) and click on "Workshops". Or go to <https://www.palmerpletsch.com/workshops-intro/>. Registration is limited for all workshops. Sign up early to avoid disappointment!

# Take A Sewing Vacation!

at

*Fabrications*



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Wednesday - Thursday 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

Friday 10:00 am-5:00 pm Saturday 10:00 am-4:00 pm



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## Michigan Sewing School Schedule 2022

### [Fit Sewing Patterns 4-day Workshop](#)

Learning to tissue-fit patterns is a process. We fit you, then teach you to fit yourself! The first day we will give you a comprehensive presentation of The Palmer/Pletsch Tissue-Fitting Method. Then we will alter Butterick #6849, our sheath dress pattern, to fit your body. Once you have fitted this dress, you will know what alterations are necessary in the most fitted garment you would ever sew. If you decide not to sew this style, it will become your own personal “body map” reminding you of your alterations. Price: \$895

**Dates:** August 26-29, 2022 (Optional Teacher Training: August 30, 2022)

### [Pant Fit & Sew 4-day Workshop](#)

Learn to fit any style pant and to sew up all those details. The first day we will give you a comprehensive presentation of The Palmer/Pletsch Tissue-Fitting Method. We will measure your hip and determine your size, fit you in tissue using Butterick #6845, and show you how to alter it for your figure. You then will cut it out in fabric. We will show you how to sew a variety of details including pockets, zippers, and waistbands. Price: \$895

**Dates:** September 16-19, 2022 (Optional Teacher Training: September 20, 2022)

### [Fit & Sew Fashion Knits 4-day Workshop](#)

This class will help you master fitting and sewing any pattern in any knit. After an introductory presentation on knit fabric types, fitting knits, and knit sewing tips, we will start with a simple top to make sure everyone understands how to fit themselves. Then, from the simple fitted top, learn how to make creative garments with design changes, including dresses, cardigans, jackets, tops with various neckline finishes, and even a no-side seam pant. Price: \$895

**Dates:** May 13-16, 2022  
October 7-10, 2022

### [Palmer/Pletsch Teacher Certification Program](#)

Teacher Training is available after the 4-day Fit and Pant Fit workshops, and for Tailoring as a CD. Find more information as well as how to sign up at <https://www.palmerpletsch.com/become-a-sewing-teacher/>. Price: \$195

### [Fashion Fitting the Upper Body 2-day Workshop](#)

The first day we will give you a comprehensive presentation of The Palmer/Pletsch Tissue-Fitting Method. We will measure for size, then tissue-fit a blouse and alter it to fit you. Cut and pin-fit fabric, then tweak the fit in fabric. Learn to choose the best interfacing for your fabric and properly fuse the interfacing to the facings. Price: \$395

**Dates:** March 26-27, 2022

### [Sew Jeans That Fit 5-day Workshop](#)

Learn how to achieve the look and fit you want, beginning by using the most flattering jeans pattern for your body. We will determine your size, then tissue-fit the pattern and alter it to fit you. Cut and pin-fit fabric, then tweak the fit in fabric. Details such as sewing pockets, fly zipper, waistbands, belt carriers, topstitching and other techniques will be demonstrated. This course is recommended for students who have taken the 4-day Pant Fit Workshop or those with intermediate to advanced sewing skills. Price: \$995

**Dates:** April 22-26, 2022

### [Tailoring 5-day Workshop](#)

Tailor any jacket style. You will learn cutting and marking accuracy, interfacings and proper fusing, fit, shoulder and chest shaping, shaped darts, careful trimming and quality pressing, sleeve heads, bound buttonholes, patch and welt pockets, linings, and perfect hems. Truly, all of your sewing will improve after you learn to tailor. You will select a good fabric and a pattern based on your skills. If you have never sewn a jacket, choose one with fewer details to sew. This course is recommended for students who have taken the 4-day Fit Workshop or those with intermediate to advanced sewing skills. Price: \$995

**Dates:** November 4-8, 2022

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