PHOTO TRANSFER QUILT By Kim Montagnese

These are the general technique instructions for the photo transfer wall quilt project. Actual measurements will be on an individual basis depending on what you choose to do with the technique. Add to garments, tote bags, pillows, table runners, etc.

On your computer, open the photo of your choice

- If the photo contains text or directional pattern, do a reversal, so the photo looks backwards to you.
- Print photo onto t shirt transfer paper following the instructions on the package. Each one is a little different.
- When the ink is dry, trim away all of the photo that you don't need

On your fabric:

- Apply paper backed fusible to the back of the plain fabric
- Following the instructions on the package of photo transfer paper...Press the trimmed photo onto the front of the fabric.
- Peel off the paper backing from the photo transfer.
- If you need to change or fill in anything on your photo, you can do this now with a permanent marker.

Stabilize the prepared photo:

- Peel off the paper backing from the fusible on the back of the fabric with the photo
- Place the photo face down on a pressing cloth...Be careful with the hot iron on the photo. Press from THE BACK of the stabilizer.
- Place the stabilizer on top of the photo.
- From the **back of the stabilizer**...press the photo onto the stabilizer.

Do this for all of the components of your quilt, assembling them onto the stabilizer.

Set up your sewing machine for free motion sewing. Dropping the feed dogs . Add the fabric embellishments

- Place a piece of sheer colored fabric directly on top of an area to be embellished. Cover the area COMPLETELY and allow some fabric to extend beyond the area to be covered.
- With matching thread...stitch free motion around the exact area to be covered. Add any accent stitching that you feel would be appropriate.
- Using great care...trim around the fabric at the stitch lines.
- Continue around all sections that you want to embellish. Scrunch and layer fabric to give more dimension and texture.

• When all embellishment is added...Trim the units away from the cut away stabilizer. trim any messy looking parts.

Prepare your quilt background and add the borders etc. Or just cut out the center section.

- Arrange the completed photos onto the background and pin in place.
- Using black or contrasting thread...finish the outlines of your unit using a free motion stitch. Also at this time, you can add details etc.
- If you only completed the quilt center...you can now add borders.
- After your creation is quilted, add sparkles and beads!!!

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