

Open sewing studio

This is an in-person event

Date March 19, 2026

Time 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Location Third floor program room | July 30 and August 27: Collaboratory

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Event overview

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Drop in to use the library's sewing machines to work on your own projects. Bring your own materials.

Equipment available for you to use at the open studio includes:

- 4 Janome 2030 QDC-B and 4 2030 DC-G sewing machines;
- Sewing and dressmaking shears
- Rotary cutters and cutting mats
- Irons and ironing boards
- Dressmaker's chalk
- Measuring tapes
- Pins
- Bobbins
- Denim needles and ball point/jersey needles (on request)

Drop-in to use a sewing machine

Drop-in sewing will take place from 5-8pm, with two 1.5 hour working sessions between 5-6:30pm and 6:30-8pm.

1. Arrive at either 5pm or 6:30pm to drop-in
2. Drop-ins will be first come, first served.
3. Check in with staff, and they will direct you to which machine to work with.

Note: on 30 July and 27 August, the Sewing Studio will take place in the Collaboratory on the third floor.

Guidelines

- Open sewing is not a class; we will not be working on projects together. A staff member will be present to assist with basic questions and setup, but no instruction will take place.
- Please bring your own projects and supplies. Scraps will be available for testing only.
- If this is your first time using the library's sewing machines, please read the [Sewing Machine Guidelines and Disclaimer\(352 KB\)](#).
- Open sewing and use of library sewing machines is only available to people 13 and older with a library card in good standing; kids 12 and younger must work with an adult caregiver.

Open sewing at the library is a self-learning environment. Need help? Here are some learning resources to get you started:

Library sewing machine resources:

- [NVCL's guide to Janome 2030 QDC-B sewing machine](#)
- [Janome 2030 QDC-B Product page](#)
- [Threading the Janome 2030 QDC video](#)

Beginner projects on Creativebug*:

- [Sewing Machine Basics](#) (7 minutes)
- [Basic sewing: Seams](#) (14 minutes)
- [Sew a butterfly wrap](#) (13 minutes)
- [Beginner sewing: Market tote bag](#) (37 minutes)
- [Sew the wanderlust tee](#) (29 minutes)

*Creativebug is a [Digital Library resource](#) and can be accessed with your library card.

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