

FRIENDSHIP BLOCK FOR SHARON 'THE LIBRARIAN' FRY – **ROSE OF SHARON**

PATTERNS: There are many traditional patterns for “Rose of Sharon” blocks to choose from, or make up your own! By all means, be creative! This may be a traditional or contemporary block. You may make one flower that fills the block, or a bouquet of flowers, or a wreath of flowers, or If you need inspiration, our Guild’s Library has many books that will offer ideas. You might want to start looking in the following sections: Applique, Flowers, Blocks, and Foundation Piecing. Or go on line. Or get out your crayons and design something. Or transfer one of your own photos to fabric. Or

TECHNIQUES: Applique by hand or machine, but please do make sure that all pieces of fabric are sewn down onto the base block. Piecing and foundation piecing are fine, too. Hand and machine embroidery are also possibilities. Or . . .

FABRICS: It is very important to me that only 100% COTTON fabrics that have been pre-washed and pre-dried be used.

COLORS: A variety of Peaches, Corals, Soft Oranges (rather than pinks or reds) for the roses, and pretty greens for the leaves. White, cream, or very pale buttery yellow for the background, solid or tone-on-tone, or a print that almost reads as a solid, but not just plain ol’ muslin.

SIZE OF BLOCK: between 4 inches and 12.5 inches (unfinished), square or rectangle.

SIGN your block, please, as these are works of art from you to me and I want to be able to give you credit forever and ever. Embroider your name, or use a fabric pen.

DEADLINE: January 16, 2014

-Sharon ‘the Librarian’ Fry

Some images for inspiration:

