

Sewcase Sew Shapes



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Dear Soaring Circle Friends!

Are you looking for an innovative and fun activity to directly support Indigenous youth within your province or in Nunavut? Would you care to upcycle your unused fabrics?

We are expanding our **Sewcase** program to help ease the work of sewing teachers in our labs, to supply our rapidly growing number of labs, to improve our environmental impact, to better support local economies and to get more Canadians actively involved!

Whether with friends, colleagues, classmates or on your own, here's how you can help:

- 1. By supporting a Janome dealership in the province of your choice, through the purchase of a gift card in our online store, and for which you will also receive a charitable receipt. The gift cards will enable us to resupply our labs in that province.
- 2. By cutting unused fabrics into basic shapes we can use to build sewing project kits for our students; you can even include a personal note to students with your donation!

PURCHASING GIFT CARDS FROM YOUR LOCAL JANOME DEALERSHIP

- 1. Go to <u>soaringcircle.ca</u> and select your preferred participating Janome dealer.
- 2. Purchase a gift card in your chosen denomination; you will immediately receive a charitable receipt via email.

PRE-CUTTING FABRICS

(Drop-off dates are February 1-15th and August 1-15th each year; outside these dates, donations can be mailed directly to Soaring Circle)

- Download this instruction bundle and print the shape templates.
- Check your printer settings ***DO NOT SHRINK TO FIT** as this will alter the size of your templates. Consider changing your settings to black and white or grayscale to save on ink.
- Sort through your fabrics (**NON-STRETCH** cotton fabrics and denim only please!).
- Make sure the fabrics are freshly laundered or in new condition.
- Cut the fabrics using a rotary cutter or scissors (rotary cutting is faster and more accurate).
- Use Ziplock-type freezer bags to package your shapes (one shape per bag, do not mix shapes please), and identify each bag with the indicated template number (ex. S1, S2, etc.), using a Sharpie-type, non-erasable ink marker.
- Include in the bag a minimum \$5 donation to help us meet the high costs of shipping to remote communities (if you donate more than one bag, combine your donations and put them in one of the bags); if you would like to receive a charity receipt for your donation, please go to <u>www.soaringcircle.ca</u> to donate online).
- Drop off your donation at a participating Janome dealer during the posted drop-off dates, or mail anytime to:

Soaring Circle P.O. Box 509 Big River, SK SOJ OEO



WHY NOT HOLD A CORPORATE OR COMMUNITY MEETUP?

Host a work bee with your friends or colleagues, a local community group or school, or partner with your local Janome dealership! Working as a group means you can process a lot of fabric in a short time. It's a great way to multiply the fun and the impact!

INCLUDE A LETTER

Consider writing a letter to add a personal touch to your donation and to create a connection with the students who will receive it! We recommend you keep the letter short, and simply tell a story of how sewing, crafting or art of any kind has impacted your life... you may even want to embellish the letter with your art or include a photo of yourself. For safety reasons, please **DO NOT** include any personal information (use only your first name, and do not provide any contact information. You can include as many letters as you like!

WHERE WILL MY DONATION GO?

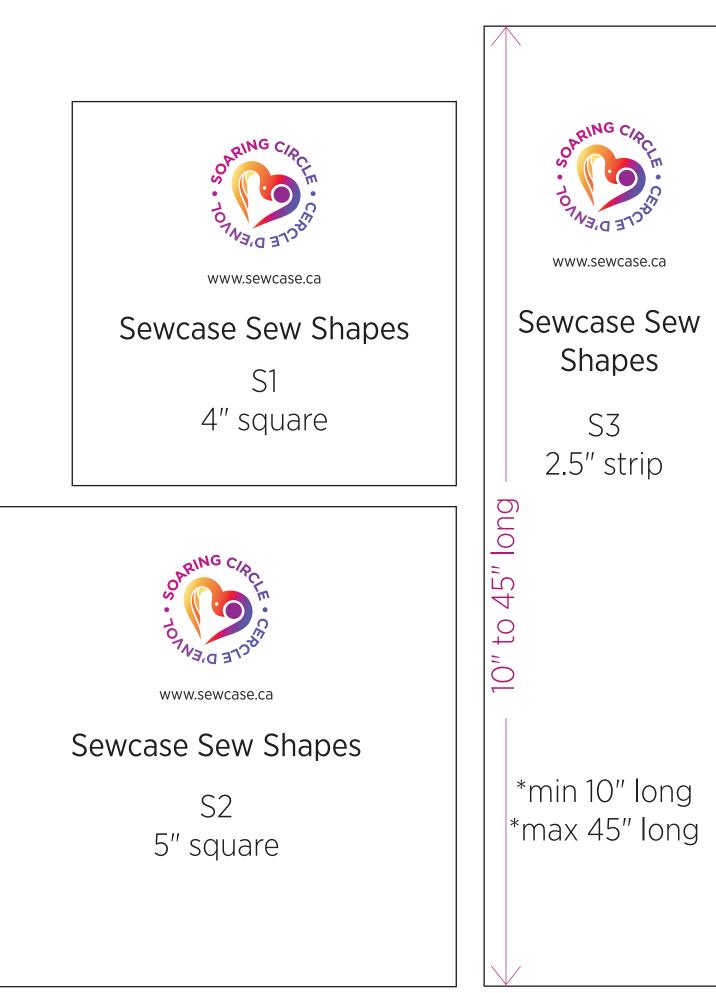
Our Sewcase community grows leaps and bounds each year. Visit our website for an up-to-date list of partnering schools or educational organizations.

TELL US WHAT YOU'RE DOING!

Holding a fabric cutting party? We'd love to share your story across our national platform, so our friends can follow your lead! Simply send us your pictures and information at sewcase@soaringcircle.ca

Thank you for supporting Soaring Circle and our students!

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Your time and support means the world to the communities we serve!

