

Welcome to our 1st Community Fabric Swap!

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Thank you for joining our first fabric swap!

Hopefully it will be the first of many! The only thing more satisfying than depriving the landfill of our beautiful fabrics is to see what someone else creates with it!

To help make this a fun, fair, friendly, and sustainable event, please review the details below. Your participation in the event assumes agreement with the program and guidelines. Any questions at all please do let us know.

Itinerary

Registration and Fabric drop off

Saturday 7th 2 - 4pm | Sunday 8th noon -1:30pm

Come and exchange your fabric for your tokens anytime during the registration hours.

Doing this in advance of the swap will allow time to double-check that each piece is correctly labelled and organized to make it easier to spot your new treasures!

During the break, please feel free to peruse the tables of fabrics and seek out those to see what you might like, however please be mindful not to unwrap/move anything!

Fabric Swap

Sunday 8th 2pm – 4pm

You will be invited to find a seat. Once everyone is settled, each table will be invited up one at a time to take a better look at the fabrics and exchange your tokens! Once your choice is made, take it back to your table and start planning!

Open House

Sunday 8th 4pm – 5pm

We want to give everyone a chance, and we don't want leftovers! So, during this time we will open the doors and tables for one and all!

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How the Swap will work

For each submission received, tokens will be exchanged. Below details how the exchange will work

- Each fabric piece 0.5m – 2m = 1 token
- Each fabric piece 2m – 4m = 2 tokens
- Each fabric piece 4m+ = 3 tokens
- Each luxury* fabric piece 0.5m – 2m = 2 tokens
- Each luxury* fabric piece 2m – 4m = 4 tokens
- Each luxury* fabric piece 4m+ = 6 tokens
- Patterns = 1 Pattern Token

*fabrics considered to be luxury are fabrics such as silk, cashmere, merino, pima, certain linens and velvets. This list is not exhaustive.

These guidelines aim to keep the swap transparent and fair.

Fabric Guidelines

(Strictly Enforced)

- ✓ **Accepted:** Quilting, apparel, linens, knits, home décor, upholstery & uncut patterns
- ✓ **Minimum size:** Fat quarter or ½ yard
- ✓ **Condition:** Clean, odor-free, pet-hair free
- ✓ **Quality:** Good condition, no stains or damage
- ✓ **Accepted:** Quilting, apparel fabrics, linens, knits, home décor, upholstery, patterns
- ✓ **Labelled:** Label with length & fiber type (if known). Help can be provided at registration

✗ **Not accepted:** Scraps and fabric pieces less than the minimum sizes stated, upholstery samples, clothing, damaged fabric, cut patterns

Volunteers may redirect off-rule items to the free table or decline them.



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Swap Etiquette

- Take note of your table number and go to the swap tables when called
 - Take **one** item at each turn
 - Be mindful of others — everyone deserves a chance
 - No reserving or holding piles
 - Trades are welcome *after* the official swap time
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Open House

During the **final hour**, any remaining fabric is free to take. The doors will be opened for anyone to attend and take fabric, and to join in!

Unclaimed fabrics will be donated to a community focused thrift store, schools, or saved for future community swaps. Suggestions can also be offered for donations.

Need Help?

Prior to the event, please reach out via email to isew@mysewcalledlyfe.ca or chat with us during registration & drop off. We're here to help!

For consistency and to keep things running smoothly, **volunteer decisions are final**.

💎 Thanks for being part of a sharing-minded & sustainability focused sewing community 💎