

Linda Lee

Starting with making and selling felt hats in 6th grade, Linda's business ventures have followed – from a life-long career in interior design to producing avantgarde sewing patterns for the adventurous sewer under the name The Sewing Workshop Pattern Collection. One pillow-making project ultimately led to thirteen books, television appearances on HGTV and traveling and teaching the fine art of combining beautiful fabrics and innovative sewing techniques for both garments and interior.



Linda's career straddles two industries – interior design and fashion and sewing, both of which became lifelong pursuits as a result of her experiences at Kansas State's College of Human Ecology in the late sixties.

- As a licensed interior designer and member of ASID since 1974, she designs for both residential and commercial clients in Topeka, Kansas.
- As a fashion enthusiast, she owns *The Sewing Workshop Pattern Collection*, a group of patterns for distinctive garments using innovative sewing techniques, and is the producer of *Sew confident! Class in a Flash*, a step-by-step education program that teaches sewing – one garment at a time.
- Linda writes for several magazines including *Threads* and *Sew News* and is a contributing editor to *Stitch*.
- She is featured in the Bernina “Portrait of the Artist” national advertising campaign.
- She has written fourteen books. *Sew Sensational Pillows* won the Independent Book Award in the Craft and Hobby Category and *Sew Easy* won Honorable mention by the Independent Publisher Book Awards for Most Original Design in their “Ten Outstanding Books of the Year” awards.



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Her Books include

- *Vogue & Butterick's Designer Sewing Techniques*
- *Sewing Beautiful Pillows*
- *Scarves to Make*
- *Sewing Stylish Home Projects*
- *Sewing Edges and Corners*
- *Sew Sensational: Pillows*
- *Sew Easy*
- *Sew Easy Scarves*
- *Sew Easy Bags*
- *Designer Home Sewing*
- *The Sewing Workshop*
- *Sewing Knits from Fit to Finish*

Technical writer and samplemaker for Sunset Books

- Simply Pillows
- Simply Slipcovers
- Curtains, Draperies and Shades

Technical Editor for Workman Publishing

- SEW – Sew Everything Workshop

Scriptwriter for PBS:

- Sewing Today

Sewing expert on over 50 HGTV segments

- Today At Home with Edie Ellis
- Our Home

Writer and stylist for Sewing Continuity Series

- Vogue and Butterick

Awards:

- 2002 – YWCA – 2002 Woman of the Year
- 2004 – Kansas State University College of Human Ecology Entrepreneur Award
- 2008 – Kansas State University Alumni Fellow
- 2009 – Topeka Business Hall of Fame