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Mask Design Master class (top left, top right, bottom left – shown as examples only) Friday February 18, 2022 and Saturday February 19, 2022 11:00a–5:00p EST

Let Melissa guide you through designing your own beaded mask using your own materials and inspiration from past projects. Construct your mask by choosing from a handful of techniques Melissa will show you over the two day workshop period. Class includes printed directions for the techniques taught.

There will be time with Melissa before and during the class to choose materials for your mask design.

No materials will be available prior to the class from Melissa except the mask base. Plan on using your own stash for the materials in the mask class.

Please NOTE: The photos shown here are masks Melissa has made. Since she will be showing us design concepts, your project is likely to look different.

Level: Advanced

Prerequisites: bead embroidery stitches

Stitches used: bead embroidery stitches

Thread recommendation: none, any thread is acceptable

Kit Fee: \$25 per custom mask base provided by Melissa

Class cost: \$180 (<https://nvbs.org/index.php/melissa-grakowsky-shippee-february-2022/>)

Suspension Necklace – Sunday February 20, 2022 11:00a – 5:00P EST

Featuring 14mm crystal Rivoli crystals in settings, crystal pearls and seed beads. Made using right angle weave, CRAW, peyote stitch, ladder stitch and netting.

Level: Intermediate to Advanced

Prerequisites: general knowledge of CRAW, some knowledge of ladder stitch and netting

Stitches used: Right Angle weave, CRAW, peyote stitch, ladder stitch and netting.

Thread recommendation: TBD

Kit Fee: TBD

Color choices: TBD

Class cost: \$70 (NVBS members), \$90 (open to enrollment on TBD)

To see more of Melissa's work and classes, see her website at www.mgsdesigns.net