



Customer Newsletter July 2017

*Congratulations*



## INNOVIANS

Congratulations to Jan Hutchison and Gail Stapanek! Their quilt, "Cardinal Points," received the Masterpiece Quilt Award from the National Association of Certified Quilt Judges!! Since the NACQJ's founding in 1984, this prestigious honor has only been awarded 33 times, and this is the first year that an Innovian has won! It is also the first ever two-person quilt to receive this distinction.



To become a candidate for the Masterpiece Quilt Award, you must submit a quilt for masterpiece evaluation, or your quilt can be nominated by a NACQJ certified judge – which was the case for "Cardinal Points." The quilt must measure a minimum of 25 square feet and may be any technique or combination of techniques, which include, but are not limited to fabric selection, piecing, applique, marking, quilting, embellishing and finishing. Kits of any kind are not acceptable. A Masterpiece Quilt is defined as a work which reflects a consummate level of skill in design, workmanship, and quilting (National Association of Certified Quilt Judges [NACQJ], n.d).

Innova is looking for images of award-winning quilts that were made using one of our machines. Please send us a high-resolution photograph of your award-winning quilt(s) to be added to our online quilt gallery. Your quilt could also be featured on one of our upcoming ads! All entries must meet the following criteria:

- Must be YOUR quilt
- Must have been quilted on an Innova machine
- Must be an award-winning quilt
- Must be a high-resolution photo

Please send all photo entries to [contact@abminternational.com](mailto:contact@abminternational.com)

*\*\*\*By emailing photograph, sender agrees that ABM Innova may use such photographs with or without your name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web\*\*\**



# TECH CORNER

## Installing a New Needle in your Innova

When installing a new needle in your Innova Quilting Machine, it is important that you check that the needle is all the way up.

For this purpose, there is an observation hole in the needle bar just above the needle set screw which allows you to check that the needle is inserted all the way up. This is particularly important if you break a needle. Many times, when a needle breaks, it breaks at the lock screw and will usually leave a small piece of the shank above the screw. Check this opening after removing the needle to make sure it is clear. This opening can also be used to remove this piece of broken needle shank by using another needle.

Observation hole



## Software Tip

### LINE PLAY

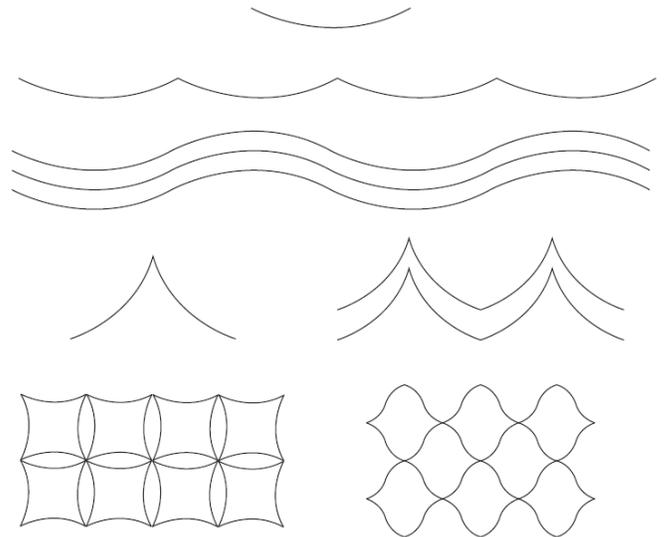
Sometimes the simplest line can create the most dynamic quilting pattern!

Use:

- AutoFit
- More Repeats
- End Snap
- Attach
- Flip
- Mirror
- Multiply
- Copy/Paste

to create hundreds of your own designs with one line from Line Play.

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## Letter from the President

*We're already halfway through the year, and Innova has been having a great 2017! We are growing and expanding, and as always, continuing to innovate while maintaining the industry's highest customer service. I'm very excited about some new things that will be coming out soon. Thank you to all our wonderful customers. We wouldn't be where we are today if not for all of you.*

*Yours Truly,  
Neal Schwarzberger*