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On the Set with Houston Best of Show Artist Melissa Sobotka

Melissa Sobotka is a relative newcomer on the quilt scene, but this multiple award-winning quilter has taken the quilt world by storm with her photo realistic style. Using a photograph as inspiration, Melissa, like a master painter, transforms a blank fabric base using hundreds of tiny pieces of batiks. Depth is created with inks and other medium until the resulting quilt emerges in all of its glory. Melissa gives tips for selecting fabrics to achieve realism and details how tools from the art world can add life to your fabric image.

Also in this show, Alex shares the ins and outs of pinning and why the pins you select can make a real difference in your piecing results.

Star Members can watch Melissa in [Show 2008: Photo Realism in Fabric](#) when it debuts April 9, 2017.