### Juki Quilt Virtuoso Pro TL-2200QVP Machine Policy

There are three libraries in the United States, possibly on planet Earth, that offer free access to a long-arm quilting machine--your library is one! We need your help to keep this machine accessible to everyone in the community. We cannot replace this machine if it is permanently damaged.

The Juki long arm and the Quilter's Creative Touch software have a retail value of \$27,000. Repairs are costly, the budget for them is limited, and if the machine is damaged beyond that budget no one will have the privilege of using the machine.

We require re-certification of patrons who improperly use the machine, do not follow the policies and procedures set forth to prevent damage to the machine, and repeatedly make mistakes that cause unnecessary wear and damage to the machine. We may ban patrons from use of the machine if problems persist after re-certification.

### **Age Restrictions**

• 18+

#### **Certification Requirements**

- The Juki requires a certification class and appointment before use.
- Juki Longarm Quilting Machine 101 Certification Class is required for basic usage of the long arm:
  - o Pre-requisite: Niche Academy on-line certification
  - Hands-on, in-person certification
- Juki Longarm Quilting Machine 102 Certification Class is required for using the robotic component of the longarm:
  - o Pre-requisite: Niche Academy on-line certification
  - Hands-on, in-person certification
- Class participants are required to complete the Niche Academy tutorials before the hands-on certification appointment.
- If more than 6 months have passed since a patron's last use of this machine, they will be required to re-certify to refresh their skills and knowledge.

### **Consumables Needed (and restrictions)**

Patrons must provide their own consumable materials, including thread, fabric, notions, and possibly class M bobbins (if you want to take your remaining thread with you.) In order to keep this machine in top working order, restrictions on brands and types of materials apply, and all materials must be checked by STEAM Central Staff to insure they will work in the machine.

- Thread In order to keep the Juki in excellent condition, we only allow Superior Thread's King Tut (sold in 2,000 yd. cones, 500 yd. spools)
- Bobbins--STEAM Central provides bobbins for use in the space. If you wish to keep the remaining bobbin thread, you will need to provide your own Juki brand style M bobbins. Not all class M bobbins work in this machine, so please ask for purchase suggestions before spending your money.

# **Before Use**

- Pick up a zipper set one business day before your appointment.
- When you arrive for your appointment, pick up the manual and accessories box from the STEAM Central staff desk.
- Check the belts on the machine—they may need to be tightened or loosened depending on the type of appointment you have booked. Ask for staff to assist you in tightening or loosening them if they are not correct for your appointment type.
- Notify STEAM Central Staff of any issues with the machine immediately.

# **During Use**

- Keep fingers away from all moving parts and needles.
- **Double check that the machine has been properly threaded**, particularly check that the thread is between the tension discs. An improperly threaded machine results in a rat's nest of thread on the back of your quilt that you will have to pick out, and a thread bound bobbin area that takes staff hours to fix.
- Double check the bobbin make sure that it has been properly seated inside the machine. Failure to properly install the bobbin results in a minimum repair cost of \$260.00.
- Do not put clipped threads on the machine carriage table. These get sucked up into the machine carriage, wrap around the carriage motor, and cause the machine to overheat, potentially burning out the motor.

# After use

- Turn off the machine and remove your thread and bobbin.
- Return all equipment to Staff.
- Sweep up stray threads.

### Resources

Juki Manual: <u>http://jukiquilting.com/quilt-virtusos-pro-tl-2200qvp.html</u> Software Demo version to download: <u>http://www.cabinlogic.com/site/apqs-demo</u>

