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Creator – Subway Art

Whether it's called font art, typography art, a word cloud or SUBWAY ART...it's all fun and all the rage! Basically, subway art is an arrangement of words all related to a specific theme or a favorite quote or song lyric. In this Creator class we're going to use "Templates" to create our subway art type lettering layout.

The are fonts used in this handout and/or class video you don't show in your program. This is because of what version of Creator you have, other programs you might have installed and/or fonts imported in your program. If you're wanting to follow along with the exercises, choose an alternate font to use. See more information discussed on fonts available.

Note: All instructions are written assuming a left mouse click unless otherwise indicated. The instructions in this class are based on Creator version 1.159.



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General Notes:

- Templates are interactions between two different elements: Template object (named Envelope) and a Lettering Design.
- Template objects and lettering designs, they are named using a numbering system that will match them together.
- A similar method is used for creating name drop type designs, too.
- If you need more information on all the general text options, you may want to take a class titled “*EmbroideryWorks - Lettering*”.



Fonts available to use within Creator:

The fonts you can use in Creator come from:

- The built-in fonts.
- Any .BX fonts you have installed. **
- If you have EmbroideryWorks™ Everyday (includes 12 fonts) & EmbroideryWorks™ Advanced (adds 32 fonts for a total of 44) programs installed.
- If you have EmbroideryWorks™ Advanced, you can use the Import Font feature to add more design file fonts. **
- Having MonogramWorks™ program installed (contains 44 fonts; these are the same 44 fonts with EmbroideryWorks™ Advanced installed).
- Designer’s Gallery Font Packs.

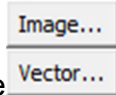
***If you are using IMPORTED fonts (.BX or ones you imported), because these are stitch files that were NOT created in Designer’s Gallery® Creator, their stitches will NOT automatically recalculate stitches unless you have EmbroideryWorks installed. without a product installed which supports it. You may want to add additional titles in order to use lettering in this way.*

General steps:

1. DESIGNING:
 - a. Decide the theme of your Subway Art. Class demo theme is “Sisters”.
 - b. Decide if you’re using a shape to layout your Subway Art or fill a specific hoop size.
 - c. Make a list of words or phrases that go with the topic you chose.
2. Select **Create**  icon.
3. Select the hoop you’re using when stitching:
 - a. Select **Preferences**  icon.
 - b. **Select** the desired Format: and then desired hoop.
 - c. Select **OK** button.




4. OPTIONAL: if you're planning on creating Subway Art to fill your hoop, then set your hoop to display.
5. OPTIONAL: if you're planning on creating Subway Art to fill a specific shape:
 - ~ Use an image of your own, place on the work space by



using the image  icons.


OR

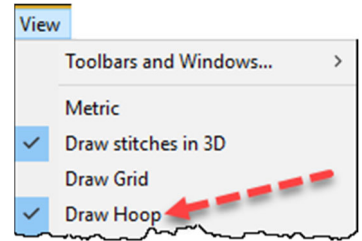
- ~ Select a shape from the Library ; Catalog: Designer's Gallery Outlines
6. Start by selecting a Library Shape that is a "Line Object" with a closed shape, like a rectangle, square, oval, etc. These will be your "Envelope" objects.
 - a. Size and position as desired.
7. **Click & Rename** the line object to **"Envelope" with number**, *at the end*, for example: "Envelope 1", "Envelope 2", etc.
8. Optional: **Add a baseline** in the Envelope line object for use as a Centerline:



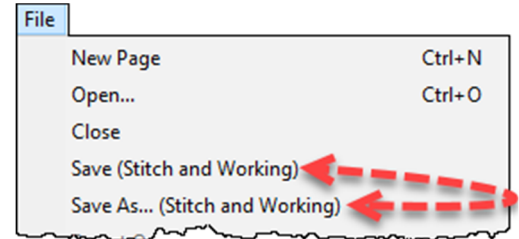
- a. Use the Creator line drawing tools.
 - b. **Click & Rename** line as **"Centerline" with number** to coordinate with the Envelope position you want the word placed. The number must be *at the end* of the "Centerline", for example "Centerline 1", "Centerline 2", etc.
 - c. Adjust line shape as needed.
9. Optional: **Add a baseline** in the Envelope line object for use as a Namedrop:



- a. Use the Creator line drawing tools.
 - b. **Click & Rename** line as **"Namedrop" with number** to coordinate with the Envelope position you want the word placed. The number must be *at the end* of the "Namedrop", for example "Namedrop1", "Namedrop2", etc.
 - c. Adjust line shape as needed.
10. Create your lettering word or phrase using the **Create Letters**  icon.
 - a. Position within the coordinating "Envelope".
 - b. Use any of the Quick Styles and other Letter tab controls to get the desired effect in lettering shapes.
 11. **Click & Rename the letter object with the matching number**, *at the beginning* of the name, for example, "1 Letter", "2 Letter".
 12. Repeat steps 1-11 to fill your desired shape or hoop with the desired words and/or phrases to complete your Subway Art!
 - ~ Before adding a new "Line Object", select the 1st item in Object view known as "Design"





13. Be sure to save both the stitch file and the Creator working file, so you can go back and edit the layout of your Subway Art.



Things to Keep in Mind:

General information & Notes:

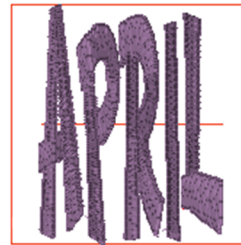
- The “Envelope” number is how Creator matches a lettering object to their envelope.
- Must have the Create  icon selected first to make changes to a Centerline, Namedrop line or Envelope, including moving them.
- If you're in Create  mode (create icon has been activated), you won't be able to click on the lettering from the design page. You can however select the text using in the Objects view.
- Use an “Envelope” only to position the text. Use with a “Centerline” with envelope to have it follow the height of the envelope & length (width) of the line. Use a “Namedrop” line with envelope to have it follow the height of the envelope & length of the line. See screen shot example below.



“Envelope” only



“Envelope” &
“Centerline”



“Envelope” &
“Namedrop” line

- If you want the text to conform to a shape, then use Single line text in conjunction with a Quick Style. See screen shot example below (without the Oval Quick Style being used).

Without Quick Style:



“Envelope” only



“Envelope” with
“Centerline”

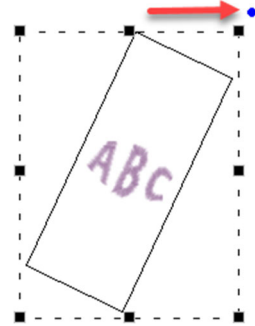


“Envelope” with
“Namedrop” line




- You can overlap the Envelopes because they are not going to stitch, unless you decide to apply stitches.
- Creator looks at the prior objects to find a matching Envelope or line to use.



- ~ In the Objects view, the Envelope should be BEFORE the corresponding Centerline or Namedrop. Creator looks at the prior objects to find a matching Envelope to use.
- ~ In the Objects view, the Envelope and the Centerline or Namedrop MUST be BEFORE the corresponding text.
- ~ May need to rotate the Envelope object to get the desired angle of your lettering. The template object shape you start with can affect the direction of the lettering, even if you're using a "Centerline".



Moving Templates on design page:

- Moving a basic Template:
 - ~ Select the Envelope shape from the Objects view. Make sure the Create mode is activated. Move to desired location.
 - ~ Select the corresponding Lettering from the Objects view. On the Properties view, place your pointer at the end of your word or phrase, in the text field. Click  on your keyboard if you are using Single line text or Text on a Circle. Click the Set button if using Multi-line text. The text will reposition to where you moved the corresponding Envelope.
- Moving a Template with Centerline or Namedrop label:
 - ~ Make sure the Create mode is activated.
 - ~ From the Objects view, select both a Centerline and the corresponding Envelope at the same time by holding the CTRL  key on your keyboard. Move to desired location.
 - ~ Select the corresponding Lettering from the Objects view. On the Properties view, place your pointer at the end of your word or phrase, in the text field. Click  on your keyboard if you are using Single line text or Text on a Circle. Click the Set button if using Multi-line text. The text will reposition to where you moved the corresponding Envelope.

About a "Centerline" & "Namedrop" lines:

- The length of the baseline determines maximum length the letters will be.
- You MUST use the Set button (Letter tab, Properties view), as part of the Multi-line text options to have your text move to the "Centerline" with the coordinating number. EACH time you make a change in the "Centerline" shape and/or the word or phrase, select Set button to make the change.
- The shape you choose, vertical or horizontal, can determine the direction your lettering may be placed, *even if you rotate the rectangle and a corresponding Centerline or Namedrop line*. See screen shot example.



- You only need a “Centerline” if you want to have the letters to follow a shaped baseline or the shape of the Envelope.
- With a “Namedrop” line, you can justify the text by adding “LJ” or “RJ” to the object name. For example, “Namedrop 1 LJ” will justify the word to the left of center.

Additional Support Options:

- Look for other **Baby Lock Online Sewing Classes (Sew @ Home/Love of Knowledge)** <https://sewathomeclasses.com/> video classes
- Baby Lock® website Tutorials and projects: <https://www.babylock.com/learn-and-create/projects>
- Join the Designer’s Gallery Facebook Group: [Designer’s Gallery Get Together by Baby Lock https://www.facebook.com/groups/designersgallerygroupbybabylock/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/designersgallerygroupbybabylock/)
- Designer’s Gallery Crafty Sewcial Webinars: <https://designersgallerysoftware.com/craftysewcial>
- Projects on the Designer’s Gallery website: <https://designersgallerysoftware.com/>

We hope you have enjoyed this Baby Lock Online Sewing Class and have a better understanding of how Designer’s Gallery® Creator Template feature works and how it can be used to create Subway Art!

If you have any questions regarding this class, you can email us at sewathome@tacony.com

