



Circles... no beginning — no end... looking around us we can see circular designs everywhere. As lettering artists, they also provide a way for us to step away from the "straight base line" and create something different — something fresh!

In this workshop, we will look at circles differently and will explore how to incorporate circles into our lettering designs and lettering into our circle designs. We will stretch, pull and push the boundaries of what we think is possible, to create something that is unique!

"Free Writing" will be addressed and encouraged: Suzie will walk you through her process and explain why she often uses this form of writing.

There will be many samples of ideas for you to enjoy and be inspired by.

This workshop will be recorded and the recordings will be available to students for six weeks. Workshop fee, \$100 (members only).

## "Once Upon a Circle"

a workshop with  
Suzie Beringer

Saturday & Sunday  
November 7 & 8, 2026

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
each day, with a  
one-hour lunch break

Online via Zoom  
Sessions will be recorded

All levels of experience  
are welcome

Register on our website:  
[www.pacificscribes.org](http://www.pacificscribes.org)  
on the "events" page

You must be a Pacific Scribes  
member (or become one) to  
enroll. Workshop fee, \$100.



# About Suzie

Suzie Beringer is a lettering artist based in the Pacific Northwest. With a degree in commercial art and a lifetime passion for calligraphy and mark-making, she is constantly exploring new possibilities and pushing herself creatively. Her work has been published in Letter Arts Review and other publications.

As a teacher, Suzie loves to share her passion for design and mark-making with others. As an artist, Suzie loves the challenges and discovery that lettering on different surfaces brings. It has been said that if something around her doesn't move quickly enough it may end up with letters on it!

View more of Suzie's work at [www.penstrokedesign.com](http://www.penstrokedesign.com), or on Instagram @penstrokedesignstudio).



Register on the "events" page of the Pacific Scribes website: [www.pacificscribes.org](http://www.pacificscribes.org). Registration will remain open until October 22, or until the workshop is full. You can pay through the PayPal portal (using your PayPal account, credit or debit card, Venmo, or Apple Pay), or print a form and mail a check. You must be or become a guild member. Email Sandra Collins with questions at [pacificscribesworkshops@gmail.com](mailto:pacificscribesworkshops@gmail.com).



Circles, like the soul, are never-ending and  
turn round and round without a stop.  
Ralph Waldo Emerson



# Once Upon A Circle – Suzie Beringer

## Zoom Supply List

Basic calligraphy tool box & Note taking supplies

Drawing compass (one that holds a pencil lead at one end) *note photo below*

8.5X11" mat board or the back of a paper pad to protect the table

Mechanical pencil (0.5 or smaller)

Wooden (HB lead) or drafting pencil (HB) for lettering (bring appropriate sharpeners)

Black fine line Sharpie (waterproof)

12" C'Thru Ruler + ruler with centimeters

Soft Vinyl Eraser

12" piece of string

Scissors

water pot/ pen wipes/six well mixing palette

Reposition tape or low tack washi tape

Short text or poetry that resonates with you

Fine awl for piercing paper or large needle

Boris & Riley #37 Boris Layout

Tracing paper (a must have!)

Arches Text Wove/Velin (minimum 1/2 sheet) approx. 19X25" (cut down into 4 parts)

Black Paper and other small scraps of good paper approx. 6X6" or larger



Drawing Compass

Writing tools of your choice & mediums (*I will be using a pointed pen as we will be working small*). I will also use a small broad edge pen.

Ink of your choice....sumi, walnut, stick ink, ...what ink do you like to use?

Watercolors (pan or tube) & brush either round or flat (medium size)

### Optional:

\*\*Fon's & Porter white mechanical pencil (or similar) highly recommended! Especially... ..if you are using dark papers.

\*Circle Maker.....note image to the right.

...I will also show you other options for making circles

\*\*Fiskars Circle cutter

\*Clear Contact Paper (approx 9X6")

\*\*Gold Finetec or Pearl EX & Gum Arabic!

\*\*Gum Sandarac



Helix Angel & Circle Maker  
you can find them on Amazon

*\*Please do not feel that you need to rush out and buy all of the optional items if you do not already own them. Watching me demonstrate them will let you decide if it is something you want to purchase. Optional items with two (\*\*) asterisks are products I highly recommend.*

