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get to work outside in the large courtyard (a weekend workshop runs about \$180). For the slightly more advanced papermaker, **Carrriage House Paper**, which recently expanded from Boston to Brooklyn, offers intensive workshops in such topics as sculptural paper and exotic fibers. Prices are about the same as those at Dobbin Mill.

Basic papermaking workshop at Dieu Donne Papermill: Wed 10 (\$60). "Beyond Basics" begins Apr 21 and runs for four weeks (\$180).

SEWING

Some people might think sewing is a dying art, but it's very much alive at **Sew Fast Sew Easy**, a sewing school on 57th Street that's heavy on theme nights and kibbitzing. Owner Ellissa Meyrich runs around the school like a Joan Rivers-Martha Stewart hybrid. "Oy, you're killing me here," she crows, sizing up your horribly crooked seams in dismay. "Don't worry, you'll fix it."

Because February was Sweetie Month at Sew Fast, I could choose to make either a pair of boxer shorts (for my "sweetie") or a voodoo doll during a one-evening class. Three hours and \$35 later, I had created a viable pair of trunks (sadly, the recipient of the boxers thought the gold color was pimplike, so he went valentineless this year). You can also opt for a four-week beginner course, which teaches the basics (you'll end up with a simple pair of pants or a skirt). Levels two and three (also in four-week installments) advance from there. If I could make a skirt like the one I saw modeled by a second-level student, I'd never have to shop again.

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