

Custom Design for Inkjet Textile Imaging

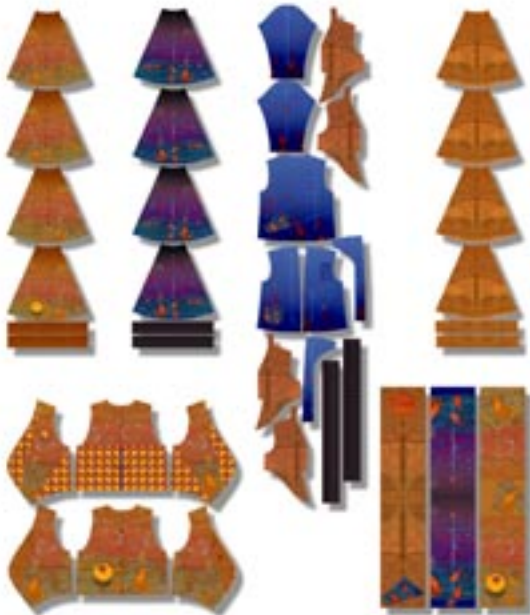
Bonny Lhotka , Boulder, CO, ©2000

Inspiration for the Dawn Lake ensemble was a photograph of a duck pond taken by Bonny Lhotka's son in Tokyo. A garment pattern was drawn on butcher paper, cut into pieces and scanned on the Epson

836 scanner. The images were created in Adobe Photoshop to fit the pattern design.



The designs were printed onto paper-backed silk by the Mutch Falcon printer using the Wasatch SoftRip at 720 x 720 DPI. The paper backing was removed from the silk which was rolled in tissue and placed in Jacquard's pressure steamer to heat-set the dye. After 15 minutes of steaming the fabric was unrolled and the material washed with Jacquard Silk Wash to remove excess dye. The water was squeezed out in a towel and the fabric ironed until dry. The pieces are cut from the fabric and the garments are sewn. They are fully washable.



- Design time 48 hours
- Printing time 11 hours
- 22 yards of Jacquard's 23mm Chameuse
- Imaged on the Mutch Falcon at 720 DPI with Jacquard six color dyes
- Steaming time 3 batches of 15 minutes each
- Washing and ironing 2 hours
- Sewing time 30 hours
- Owning and wearing a unique digitally customized garment ... priceless.

