# Pieced Block presented at the May $13^{\text {th }}$ Meeting (please bring completed blocks to the July $15^{\text {th }}$ Meeting) 

Modified Double Friendship Star Block

## Fabric:

1. Light Aqua Blue (for background):

- Cut 4 squares $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ for the block corners
- Cut 1 square $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ for making the side star points background

2. Tomato Red (for the small star points): Cut 1 square $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5 \frac{1}{2}$ "
3. Gold/Orange Print (for the large star points): Cut 2 squares $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 51 / 2$
4. Red Print (for the block center): Cut 1 square $4 \frac{1}{2}{ }^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}$


## Piecing Instructions:

1. Lay the Red $5 \frac{1}{2 \prime} \times 51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square face up on a cutting mat and lay the Blue $5 \frac{1}{2 \prime} \times 51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square face down on top of it, making sure to align the corners exactly.
2. Using a ruler, cut the fabrics diagonally in each direction taking care to ensure the fabrics stay aligned at the corners as shown.

3. Keeping the fabrics together in pairs (blue and red), arrange them with the long outside edge to the left and stitch along the right hand edge.

4. Open the quarter-square triangle units (QST) from Step 3 and press seams towards the red fabric as shown on the far right above.
5. Crosscut each of the Gold $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 51 / 2$ squares once diagonally to form 4 halfsquare triangles (HST) then lay them face down on top of the units from Step 4 (i.e. right sides of fabric together) aligning along the long edges.
6. Sew along the long edges and press the seams towards the gold fabric.
7. Using the diagram at the right as a guide, trim the units to $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}$ with the long seam aligned along the $45^{\circ}$ angle of your ruler and the point where the red-blue QST unit joins the gold centered under the $21 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ measurement
 the $21 / /^{\prime \prime}$ mark on your ruler of the ruler.
8. Join the side units from Step 7, the 4 Blue $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2}$ " squares, and the Red Print $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square into 3 rows as shown.
9. Press seams in rows 1 and 3 towards the corner squares and in row 2 towards the center red square.
10. Sew the rows together and press seams.

Note: Your block should now measure exactly $121 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 121 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.


