



WEAVERS GUILD *of Greater Kansas City*

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APRIL 2011 GUILD NEWS

From the President

"Spring and Fall seem to be the busiest time for our fiber community. Take advantage of the many fiber-oriented venues available in March and April. From KAWS, to the Earth Fair, to MOPACA, you're sure to find something that excites your fiber sensibilities and where you can showcase your craft."

Leesa Duby

April 14th Meeting

Note:

There are some renovations being done to the Loose Park shelter that will affect parking for meetings in the Garden Center. There is a fence around the shelter which will prevent you from walking through or around to access the building. These renovations will take place up till June 1, 2011. You will need to park elsewhere for meetings. There is parking around the building, but will only accommodate around 20 cars. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Rose Room, Loose Park 5200 Wornall Rd., KC MO (816) 888-8476

10:00 AM – Regular Meeting

10:45 AM - Excursion to the Art Institute

For our April meeting we will have a short meeting in the Rose Room at Loose Park at 10:00am, before traveling to the Art Institute Fiber Arts building (behind the Ceramics building and the Kemper Museum). Our KCAI program at 11:00am will be presented by Amanda Ross, a senior student at the Art Institute, who will demonstrate her work with warp painting and woven shibori panels.

April Calendar

April 13, 7 PM - Fiber Guild Meeting

(Old Mission United Methodist Church; 5519 State Park Rd, Fairway, KS 66205)

April 14th, 10 AM - Weavers Guild Meeting

(Rose Rm, Loose Park, 5200 Wornall Rd., KC MO)

Please let Lolly Buxton know if you didn't pick up your directory and if there are any changes.

Debbie Dubinsky's email has changed, please correct it in your directories. Her new email is DebbieLDubinsky@gmail.com

GUILD PROJECTS FOR 2011

We're excited to be partnering once again with the Crittenden Center for our annual community service project. The Center

provides mental and behavioral health care for children and adolescents. Here's the project info from Wendy Borders: "They have about 250 kids and they want each one to get a hat/mittens set at Christmas (We're not the only group working with them). Also, kids with inappropriate behaviors and high energy problems are taught to moderate their actions through a program that includes using calming tactile objects. They need little pillows- small enough to be included in a *shoebox* with some other things.

For kids that are easily *excitable*: pillows that are soft, fluffy, smooth, velvety, lacy and beautiful are good.

For kids that *need to be drawn out*: pillows that are ridged, rough and/or visually stimulating would be good.

The pillows can be embroidered, have iron-on transfers, be pieced like a tiny quilt-top and/or be edged in lace. They are not necessarily square, just small like 4" by 5" or 3" x 6"- to be part of a collection of things in a shoebox. No buttons, zippers, fringe or things that can be chewed off. Between the warm hat & mittens and the intriguing and creative pillows, I think we could have a lot of fun with this."

PROGRAM NEWS

May - Nancy Danner, a certified yoga instructor from Freeman, MO, will be our speaker. Look for a lively program about "Yoga for Weavers". Nancy will show us how to avoid injuries while weaving or spinning by practicing simple yoga stretches. **June** - Martha Heimbaugh will be our presenter in June, "Art that speaks to the soul". **July** -

Lolly Buxton, 'Temari Balls' class at John C. Campbell School. **August** - Edwina Prinston, "Hooked Rugs, see the beauty from your heart"

September - Mary Limpus will present her fiber classes in New Zealand. **October** - Sandy Cahill, "Weaving with Ribbons".

REFRESHMENTS

April: Kansas City Art Institute-no treats

May: Linda Cole Howard, Paul Carlton, Wendy Borders

FELTING GUILD

Don't have a date yet.

NEW STUDY GROUP OPPORTUNITY

Christi Kuder's study group to meet once a month in her home to talk about the recent guild presentation and will develop into a more solidified study topic. Bring recent projects, info to share, and questions. The group is scheduled to meet the 4th Thursday of each month at Christi's house - 8224 Willow Way, Raytown, MO. Please contact her if you are interested, rosiemae73@aol.com or (816) 785-9565.

Beautiful Colors, Beautiful Designs, Beautiful Ideas, Beautiful Books! Need inspiration for a project? Visit your Weaving Guild's library, located in the home of Carol Piepmeier, 10137 Lowell, Overland Park. Phone 913-645-8303, look through the shelves at your own leisure.

UPCOMING EVENTS - 2011

KAWS 2011, Manhattan KS, April 15-17.

Don't forget our guild display for KAWS, "Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend" with Marilyn Monroe as our icon. If you haven't submitted a project, it's not too late. Just mail your item(s) to Vonda Sager, 510 W. College, Butler, MO 64730 by Friday, April 8. Be sure to include a brief summary of information about your project - name, process (knitted, woven, etc.) fiber, structure, hand-dyed or hand-spun, yarn and sett would be good.

The 2011 KAWS website:

www.kansasweavers.com

If you can't get your paperwork in the mail in time for early registration rate, at least email and let them know you are coming so you can be included in the lunch count. Otherwise, lunch will be on your own.

Several class sessions are already filled, so be sure and put down 2nd and 3rd choices in each time slot. The Beginning Weaving class is full, but there are still a couple of slots in Mary's workshop.

MIDWEST WEAVERS' CONFERENCE 2011

Hancock, MI, June 23-25, 2011

Theme: Northern Wefts

Scholarships are available, please see their website: www.midwestweavers.org

FIBER GUILD

September 18th is Spin in Public Day.

The Fiber Guild will be demonstrating spinning at the Brookside Organic Farmers Marker from 8am to 1pm. Contact Leslie McLaughlin at lmclaugh1@juno.com

The Fiber Guild Librarian is looking for the following books that were checked out by

past members but has no contact information. Please contact Jan 913-381-5706 if you know the whereabouts of the following books:

"THE BOOK OF KNITTING", by Marinella Nava was checked out by Nita Cress.

"SPINNING DESIGNER YARNS", by Diane Varney checked out by Matthew Gagy (cannot read the writing on the card).

"A HANDWOVEN TREASURY", by Interweave Press (HW magazines first ten years), checked out by Barb Esterholm.

"KNITTED TAMS", by Mary Lowe, checked out by Teresa Crew or Grew.

OTHER NEWS

THE FIFTH ANNUAL HORIZONTAL GRANDEUR EXPO

has issued a call for artists. The exhibition will take place July 8 through Oct. 28 at the Stevens County Historical Society and Museum in Morris, Minn. The show takes its title and inspiration from an essay of the same name by Minnesota poet Bill Holm. The call is open to all artists residing in states or provinces with a prairie. All pieces must have a prairie related theme and be original works.

Accepted mediums included painting, drawing, photography, fiber, hand-pulled print, fired clay or sculpture. The deadline is **April 23**. For more information, contact grandeur@stevenshistorymuseum.com.

Prairie Village's annual EARTH FAIR

Saturday, April 16th, 10am-3pm
Shawnee Mission East High School
75th and Mission Road.

<http://www.earth-fair.com/>

Celebrate the Earth at the 10th annual (free) Earth Fair featuring: Alternative technology, Farmer's market, Organic lunch, Kids activities, Short film festival, Eco-vendors, DIY corner & more. The Weavers Guild is going to have a table there for the first time! We need a few volunteers to demo spinning, weaving, felting, knitting, basket making, etc. with particular emphasis on natural fibers and natural dyes. If we have two or three people in the morning and the same for a shift in the afternoon, we've got it covered. You will be able to sell your work. Please contact Leesa Duby asap if you are interested (lduby@kc.rr.com).

DOWNTOWN OLATHE ARTS FESTIVAL

June 11-12, 2011

Artwork in any medium will be accepted for this juried festival. The application deadline is March 31st. If you are interested, contact: www.downtownolatheartsfestival.org/ArtistApplication.

LAKE AREA FIBER ARTS GUILD in the Lake of the Ozarks will hold their 6th annual fiber festival on Saturday, April 23, 2011.

ROUND BOBBIN QUILTING AND SEWING EXPO in Springfield MO, April 14-16, 2011. If you're interested, contact Keri Mullin at 800-367-5651.

CLASSIFIED ADS

**Ads policy- Ads will run for 3 months then will be removed as space is needed. Ads may be re-submitted. If the item is sold, it's the responsibility of the SELLER to inform the Editor for removal. All ads will be placed on*

the Guild web site. The seller's e-mail and phone numbers will be listed online. More ads are listed on website.

For Sale: Fur Sewing Machine

Fur sewing table and machine in very good condition. I have the operator's manual to show how to thread/operate the machine. I paid \$700 for it originally, but will take \$250. Matthew.C.Nowak@us.army.mil (updated 1/11)

For Sale: Floor Loom

Weaver's Friend is the brand made in 1897. Great for weaving rugs-very heavy duty. 45 inches wide. Good condition - is in present use in Overland Park. \$200. 913-888-1731 Judy Santner.(3/11)

Beautiful, like new Glimakra 48"

Countermarch floor loom. Includes bench, 12 dent reed, Texsolv heddles, beaming sticks, wooden mallet, manual, etc. Purchased in 1990 and lightly used as a hobby loom. Retails for \$4,650. Asking \$2,300. Located in NE Johnson County, Kansas.(2/10)

Newsletter Submissions

Articles and Announcements for the Newsletter are due the **20th of the month.**

Send them to the Newsletter Editor:
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or KCWG

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