



# WEAVERS GUILD *of Greater Kansas City*

www.kcweaversguild.org

## March 12, 2026

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### President's Message:

Hello fellow weaver friends. Another month has come and gone, time just seems to fly by! I don't know about you, but I don't get nearly as much done as I plan to. I have so many projects lined up in my head I want to do, but not nearly enough time to even get a fraction of them completed. I guess this is a better dilemma to have than to have lots of time and no project ideas! It seems like every meeting generates more ideas to pursue, either through the program presentation or through the wonderful projects shared in show and tell. I feel very

fortunate to be a part of this group of amazing fiber art creators.

Happy weaving,

sylvia

### Dues:

Yearly dues are \$25 for individuals or \$30 for families. The dues can be paid online at [kcweaversguild.org/membership](http://kcweaversguild.org/membership) or the dues can be paid with a check made out to Weavers Guild of KC and mail to Kirsten Kakolewski 4912 N 126th Street, Kansas City, KS 66109. Members who would like the directory mailed to them should add 3 dollars for shipping.

### Programs:

MARCH -Janet Meddings is excited to share her key takeaways from a fascinating lecture she attended while at the Nelson-Atkins Museum. The lecture was presented by Narayan Khandekar, the curator for the Forbes Pigment Collection at the Harvard Art Museums and was part of the "Painted Worlds: Color & Culture in Mesoamerican Art". The Forbes Pigment Collection contains not only the pigments but also the source material from which they were derived.

APRIL - KCAI Senior Student Presentation & Fiber Arts Dept Tour -

Date: April 9, 2026 at 10:30am

Location:

KCAI - The Warehouse  
4218 Walnut  
Kansas City, MO 64111

Parking is on the North Side of the building. For those with mobility issues, there are a few spots on the South side, where there is a ramp into the building.

This year's visit will include a tour of the Fiber Department as well as a presentation by Kansas City Art Institute student, Lizi Woodman, a Junior studying Fiber, Textiles, and Art History.

Lizi is very focused on weaving, and has been exploring overshot interpretations to achieve an ephemeral quality in her textiles. She is also experimenting with printing on the warp and combining both image and structure.

"The structures that compose my weavings are loose configurations that conflict with durable textiles. They are fragile, imposing structures. I am invested in the contradiction that exists within the textile as a monument, the tension that lives between a functional object that simultaneously feels untouchable or sacred."

Please plan on attending this wonderful morning at the KC Art Institute Fiber Department!

MAY – Jeff Reynolds AKA The Warpped Weaver from the Arrow Rock Weaving

Guild on Participating in the Fiber Arts Exhibit/Competition at the MO State Fair.

JUNE – Samantha Herrington with The Emerald Ewe Yarn Shop – Topic TBD - kicking around Nalbinding or Ancient Bog Garments...

JULY – SWAP & SHOP

AUGUST – Justine Clark (member & scholarship recipient ) will talk about her Harness Weaving Class.

SEPTEMBER– Tabbetha Evans – designer with Peruvian Connections and KCAI Fiber Department Instructor will talk about her adventures with Peruvian Connections, travels to Peru & designing clothes

OCTOBER - Member Challenge- Black-White and 50 shades of Grey

NOVEMBER- TBD

DECEMBER - Holiday Party

### **Further Fiber Opportunities:**

*Aymara weavings*

St. Louis Art Museum (Forest Park)

Jan 30-Septembr 13, 2026

*Boro: Traditional Mended Textiles*

February 6-July 20, 2026

International Quilt Museum – Lincoln Nebraska

Scenic Stitches, Chattanooga TN, 2/28-3/1  
<https://www.scenicstitches.com/events>

Eureka! Fiber in the Ozarks, Eureka Springs, AR, 3/19-3/21

<https://www.eurekafiberintheozarks.com/>

Sunflower Crank In, \$40 fee, Machine Sock Knitting event, Fredonia, KS, 3/25-3/28 FB link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/349713488003829/>

YarnCon, Chicago, IL, 4/11-4/12, <https://yarncon.com/>

Knitting in the Heartland, Olathe, KS, 4/24-4/26 <https://www.kithkc.com/>

Midwest Fiber Festival, St Louis, MO, 4/24-4/26 <https://midwestfiberfest.com/>

**The Emerald Ewe**, 6325 Lewis St, Suite 106, Parkville, MO

Kansas City has a new yarn shop! The Emerald Ewe has yarn for knitters & crocheters, but also spinning & felting fiber, spinning wheels and cones of weaving yarn too!

### **Classes**

Lifelong weaver Robin Spady will be teaching 2 classes and giving 2 free lectures April 10-13 at the Yarn Barn. See their website for more information, [yarnbarn-ks.com](http://yarnbarn-ks.com).

### **WARP PAINTING CLASS**

**4 Places Available**



Who: Members of the Weavers/Fiber Guild are invited

What: Learn how to dye warps with a painterly look using Procion dyes.

Where: Class will be held at the home of guild member, Becky Stevens

18413 Barryfield Lane, Belton MO 64012

When: 10:00am – 4:00pm

April 25 (May 2 if severe weather on the 25th)

Limit of 12 dyers

Price: \$45 PAYABLE TO WEAVER'S GUILD: Kirstin Kakolewski, 4912 N 126th st. Kansas City, KS 66109

PLEASE BRING:

Water proof apron and old towel

Comfy shoes

Sack Lunch, snacks, drink

4-5 yard pre-wound cellulose warp with cross and ends firmly secured, no more than 250 ends

4-6, 16 ounce plastic containers, old sour cream/hummus containers are perfect

A container to transport wet warp – I use an underbed plastic storage container 8906789–  
<https://www.walmart.com/ip/Sterilite-66-Quart-Stadium-Blue-Ultra-Storage-Box/45924275?w113=2955&selectedSellerId=0&wmlspartner=wlp>

Questions? Email Becky at [becky@beckystevens.net](mailto:becky@beckystevens.net)

## **We also got this notice about potential classes in Ullvuna.**

My name is Flor. I am an industrial designer and author, also the founder of Ullvuna, a brand dedicated to inspiring creativity through pin loom weaving.

I'm writing to share information about the virtual lectures and classes I've developed to engage and inspire your audience. Please find attached two files:

My CV, outlining my work at Ullvuna

The 2026–2027 proposals for the virtual lectures & classes I am offering

You can also learn more about Flor Studio at the link below. Flor Studio is the platform through which I create learning experiences that promote creativity, well-being and mindful making through portable pin loom weaving:

[www.ullvuna.cl/flor-studio](http://www.ullvuna.cl/flor-studio)

## **Service Project**

Janet is planning to attend this and would like others to join her. She can hold up to 6 people in her vehicle.

## **Project Linus**

Make a Blanket Day

When: March 21, 2026

Time: 8:30am - 4:00pm

Where: Grace United Methodist Church

2400 E US Hwy 50, Lee's Summit, MO 64063

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/vLP5EVSrns2SWwnp8>

We will meet in the gym. There is some construction at the door closed to the gym but follow signs for the entrance. There are a few steps to get up to the door. If you need help bringing your stuff inside, please ask for help.

Bring:

There will be a snack table. Bring a snack to share if you would like.

Bring any blankets you have ready to donate. We will be sewing labels and getting blankets ready for delivery.

Bring any fabric, yarn or other blanket supplies that you would like to repurpose. We will have a “free” area to share our excess.

There will be several activities you can participate in:

Quilters

Baby Strips quilt kits and Self-binding Flannel blanket kits will be available to sew.

Bring your sewing machines and basic supplies. We will have ironing boards, cutting mats, cutters, rulers. Bring your own, too, if you prefer.

Fleece with Crochet Borders

We will have fleece ready to crochet around including yarn and crochet hooks.

Fleece to make Tied Blankets

We have fleece ready to be fringed and tied. We invite teenagers, scouts, and family members to participate in this as well. This is also a good way to get community service hours if needed.

Crocheters/Knitters

Bring your own projects to work on. We will have some yarn available in the “Free” table.

We will have door prize drawings throughout the day.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this event.

Jeanine Snyder

KC Metro Chapter Coordinator

816-764-2551

### **Creative Hand**

The 2026 show and sale will be here before we know it and we have a lot to get accomplished with the upcoming move to the Merriam Community Center. We do have a few open Board positions needing to be filled.

Co-Chair: main responsibilities are to assist the chairperson and other positions as needed, answer and or help with artist questions

Setup Coordinator(s): main responsibilities is to determine display fixture needs, communicate needs to artists, provide layouts to applicable parties, provide direction the morning of the show. This can be a shared responsibility between 2 people.

Publicity: main responsibility is overseeing the print, electronic, website, and social media accounts and coordinating with the publicity team to ensure the promotion of the show and sale.

If you are interested or have additional questions, please reach out to Karen Ecton at karen.ecton@gmail.com or 913-522-5347.

**For Sale:**

**Karen Varner**

Email: kavarner@nethtc.net

Phone: 712-539-8752

4 harness 8 treadle 60 " Cranbrook counter-march loom. Strong enough to weave durable 5 foot wide rugs, yet gentle enough to make delicate linens. Includes 2 lease sticks. 2 reeds, 10 dent 48" and one 18 dent 60". Tool tray. Smoke free, pet friendly. Local assistance with set up delivery possible within 250 miles. Located northwest Iowa, good condition. Price: \$1,000.

