



WEAVERS GUILD *of Greater Kansas City*

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NEWSLETTER

May 8, 2025

2025 Officers:

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Erin Taylor: 3rd VP, Workshops

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Farinas de Leon to thank for a lively presentation and tour of the Fiber Department of the Art Institute. It is always such a treat to go immerse ourselves in the talented, wild creativity of the students. I find inspiration galore in their creative fearlessness. I hope you felt it too and can add some of that juice to your practice.

Cheers,

Leesa Duby

Co-President.

Meeting Agenda: 9:30 a.m. Coffee & Set
Up

10:00 Program

11:00 Treats

11:15 Business Meeting Call to Order

Programs:

May: Two Guild members, Kara Barlett and Janet Meddings will share a dual program this month about sampling and fiber content.

President's Message:

Greetings from your co-prez this month,

We have ducklings and peepers in our neighborhood and we may even get rain!

Wow. For our April program we have Kara Barlett (Programs) and student Madeline

Kara Barlett will share the results of the Form and Fiber -- a fun workshop she attended at the Yarn Barn recently. In this workshop, there was a round robin style of weaving with 21 different types of fibers including cellulose, regenerated cellulose, protein, and one synthetic. After weaving a

sample size of each of the 21 fibers, the samples were cut in half, and one half was wet finished, the other half not finished. Kara will have both halves of each sample to show the interesting results.

Janet Meddings will share several examples of different wefts on the same warp to show this affectation. She will also bring in some examples of items made from the "first yard" technique that she uses to begin most weavings.

June: We will be having our annual swap and shop; begin looking for items you want to share.

October Challenge:

The Guild decided on the following genres and book titles for the October challenge:

Childrens - *The Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle
Historical Fiction - The *Outlander* series by Diana Gabaldon
Mystery - *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie
Sci-Fi/Fantasy - *Lord of the Rings* by J.R.R. Tolkien
Romance - *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare

The **December** holiday gift theme is neckwear of any type.

Weaving Opportunity:

Marianne Dunn is hoping to find someone who could weave a set of six coasters based

on the Swiss flag (see image). If you are interested in working with her, you can contact her at 816-560-6505 or mdunn@kc.rr.com.



Midwest Goody Bag Request.

Creative Hand will be putting our last year's Artist Flyer and this year's Postcard into the Midwest Weavers Goody Bag for their June Conference in St. Louis. They need 400 pieces by May 15 to be included. I have a small box that I will be sending to Donna Larsen in Columbia, MO.

Does Weavers Guild and/or Fiber Guild want to put anything into the goody bag? If so, I am happy to send it along in the box with the Creative Hand Artist Flyers and Postcards. I can get the material from you in early May if you want to put something in.

Sandy Cahill (913) 709-1923 call or text

Around Town:

Overland Park: Parks and Recreation

Do you weave, quilt or spin? Whatever your traditional craft we want you to showcase your talents at a Heritage Arts Showcase at Deanna Ross Children's Farmstead on Sat, May 17. If you're interested in volunteering please email laurie.jacobson@opkansas.org.

The 2025 MOPACA Shows will be held April 4-6, 2025 at Hale Arena in Kansas City. If you love working with alpaca yarn, this is your chance to see the source.

Community Service Update:

We will be replacing Project Linus with something new this year. The board is suggesting that we support Mother's Refuge, a program for unmarried pregnant women age 12-21. Guild members may support them in many ways: from providing cash donations to purchasing and making items the women need for themselves or their children.

For Sale:

[Sharon Frahme](#)

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Description: Louet S90 traveling spinning wheel, folds easily for travel, with accessories. I also have many spinning accessories and a variety of wool (including mohair, angora rabbit, and silk) for sale. Approx. age and condition: 35 years old, excellent condition, Gardner, KS Price: \$650

Amy Rose

Email: amylearose@gmail.com

Phone: 512-297-5367



These books belonged to my grandmother, she was a great weaver and we hope they can find a new owner. Will split up if necessary — \$5-\$20 per book depending on the title. Great condition - smoke free/pet free home. I live around 95th/Nall in Overland Park. Price: \$130 for all or make an offer on one.

Sharon Frahme

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Louet S90 Wheel- \$650

Louet Hand Carder- \$15

Small Hand Carder- \$5

Drop Spindles- \$5 each

Niddy Noddy- \$15 each

McMorran Yarn Scale- \$25

Reeling Machine- \$14

Wool Winder- \$14

Angora Rabbit Wool, black, 4 oz @ \$15/oz = \$60

Angora Rabbit Wool, tan, 10 oz @ \$15/oz = \$150

Angora Rabbit Wool, white, 7.3 oz @ \$15/oz = \$109

Mohair Roving, white, 13.6 oz @ \$1.50/oz = \$20

Bombyx Silk Bricks, white, 1 lb @ \$80/lb = \$80

Cotton Roving, brown, 14 oz @ \$1.25/oz = \$17.50

Wool (Merino) Roving, black, 2.5 oz @ \$1/oz = \$2.50