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"Sharing A Love of Fiber Arts!"

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Unless otherwise specified, events are held at The Studio, 482 Constitution Way Suite B-11, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83403

Studio Night — *Members and visitors are welcome every Tuesday evening from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at 482 Constitution Way, Suite B-11-same building just down the hall. Bring your wheel or a project and join for an evening of fun & chat. Ring the bell below the left front window if the front door is locked.*

Join us for Studio Day/Lunch

Please join us for lunch **Thursday, May 14, at 11:30 a.m.** at Krung Thep Thai Cuisine, 366 Soup Ave. RSVP to Suzanne @ sriche@aol.com or 528-9467 By Wed. May 13. All are welcome to attend.

Don't Forget: The Snake River Fiber Fest, May 15, 16 and 17th. Register now for classes before it's too late!

Upcoming: June 2nd Studio Night:



Have you ever wondered about starting your own fiber arts business. Join us on June 2nd when we will discuss getting a small business off the ground. There will be a panel of small business owners to give us their insights on business plans, pricing your goods, legal steps to set up your business and Etsy. It should be interesting and informative. So join us on June 2nd at 7 pm.

Summertime!

The Guild has several things planned for summer fun and education. All members are sincerely invited to any and all activities. More details will be coming through weekly email messages and on the website, www.srfiberartists.org and on the Facebook page, www.facebook.com/weavespinif. Or contact any Board member if you have questions.

First, the social fun stuff. On Saturday, June 27, at 5:00 at Freeman Park, summer picnic and spin-in. Exact location in Freeman Park will be announced, but bring a picnic potluck dish, your favorite chair and current project for a relaxing evening with fellow fiber enthusiasts. The Guild will provide table service, plates, napkins, silverware.

We'll also get together at the end of summer on **Saturday, August 29**. This event is still in the early planning stages so place and time have not yet been determined. If any member of the Guild would like to host this get-together, please let Kate know. Otherwise, mark the date on your calendars and watch for further details.



The May Board Meeting will be on .May 5th at 5:00 pm

We are going to combine our meetings on Tuesday the 5th. We will begin with the **Fiber Fest meeting at 4:00 pm**, and continue into the **General Board Meeting** officially at 5:00pm. Bring your own sack dinner and come join us. Please let us know if you are unable to attend. Thank you, Laurel

In at the Guild library —check it out

Charlotte Goddin, Guild Librarian

"Hooking Rugs" with Gloria E. Crouse and "Rug Weaving: Block Weaves and Shaft Switching" with Jason Collingwood are two VHS tapes that were both recently donated to the Guild by Brooks Stevens.

"Hooking Rugs" was videotaped in Ms. Crouse's studio and home. In it she shares her fun with texture, color and form, choosing and preparing materials, and using basic tools for a host of unusual techniques, many of which invented.

It is her intention to help viewers turn their ideas into designs for hooking rugs. She incorporates a wide variety of stitches and effects, all with just two simple tools. Ms. Crouse works with unusual materials and uses hooking to personalize wall hangings, rugs, and upholstery.

Jason Collingwood's "Rub Weaving: Block Weaves and Shaft Switching" expects you to have an understanding of basic weaving terminology, know how to read a 4-harness weaving draft, and be able to thread a loom. The tools you will need are a 4-harness loom, linen warp, wool weft, ski or stick shuttles, a curved tapestry needle, and a temple. Mr. Collingwood has been a professional rug weaver since 1987

The video includes all you need to know in order to weave a durable weft-faced rug. It begins with a discussion on tools and materials and provides step-by-step instructions on how to warp the loom. He covers beaming for high tension, ensuring neat, durable selvages, and finishing fringes. The viewer will learn how to create blocks of color using standard threading and then how to change the placement of the blocks to place color and alter the design. This method of manipulating warp threads (shaft switching) allows almost unlimited possibilities for color placement using only a 4-harness loom. Mr. Collingwood demonstrates on a jack-type floor loom and shows how to adapt any loom to shaft switching.

Warped Weavers

The Warped Weavers are busily weaving, creating absolute masterpieces. I personally have finished a project and am working on the next. Of the crackle project that I have struggled with, I cut out the 5" that I have woven and changed my tie-up. I realized that I much prefer more complex treadlings. I find myself getting bored with a four treadle pattern. I need complexity in my weaving life or my brain wanders when I should be concentrating on weaving. Then there is no telling what I end up with. But I can't have it too complex, then I get too confused. It seems to be a fine line that I often struggle with. Much like other things in my life. I need multiple projects in weaving, spinning, knitting and a little something to sew. But too many and I just don't do anything. I need a balance of activities; music, dog training, fiber stuff, home, grandkids. But when you throw in the yard work....I get overwhelmed. It all reminds me of a song from my teenage years that I use to play on the guitar, "To everything, turn, turn, turn, there is a season...". So as the grass starts to grow I realize something will have to be set aside for a while.....Well, it sure isn't going to be weaving!

I have been so impressed with the beautiful things produced by our Warped Weavers. Everyone has created absolute works of art. So I would like to challenge all of you to put your lovely items in the gallery at the Fiber Fair. Let everyone see what we create.

Happy Weaving!
Mary Ellen

Demos at the Post Register:

Midge and Carol demonstrating needle tatting to two visitors.



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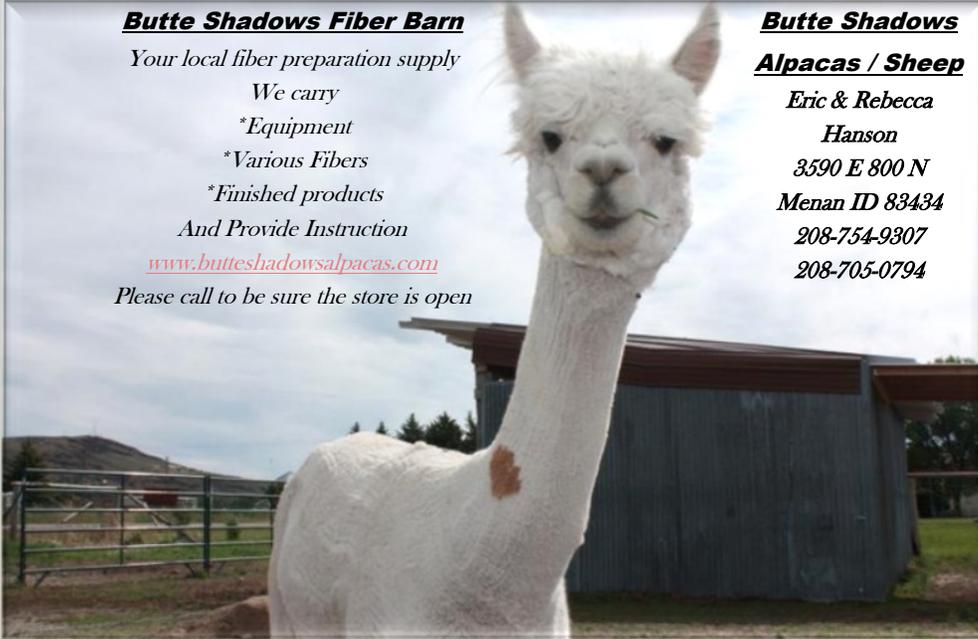
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- Weaving
- Crocheting
- Rug Hooking
- Combing

- Carding
- Raising of fiber animals and/or plants
- Dyeing

No prior experience required. Unlimited openings. All skill levels welcomed with open arms. No application need be completed, however there is a registration form to complete and a small fee (\$25.00 for an individual or \$32.50 for a family) is charged. A registration form is included on page 6 of this newsletter for your convenience.

Guild has renewed it's membership to the Northwest Weaver's Guild. Go to their site at

www.northwestweavers.org to be informed of your membership benefits. You may check out videos, tapes and books and many other benefits.



If you are a member of Ravelry.com, check out the following groups!

The Association of Northwest Weavers' Guilds (ANWG)—which you a member of, if you are a Guild member—has a group for you to participate in. There is a forum that discusses fiber, weaving, knitting etc. The **group** name is: "Association of Northwest Weavers".

Check out our own group! Snake River Fiber Fair 2014. Stay up to date on all things pertaining to the Fiber Fair.

Studio Hosts:

May 5 – Kathie

May 12 – Kate ??

May 19 – Kathie

May 26 – Mary Ellen

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THE NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE IS ON

THE 25TH OF THE

MONTH

Fiber Fest News

Our Fiber Fest is almost here! I hope you're getting excited about this great opportunity for great classes and great shopping! Our class offerings are amazing so if you haven't already signed up take a look and get registered. We need to meet the teacher minimums for all of them so spread the word. We have loads of vendors coming- many of them new.

Support our raffle. It's our major fund raising activity. I need volunteers to walk through the vendor halls to sell raffle tickets. This is an ideal activity for teens. Please contact Kathie. We can accept raffle items up to the start of the Fest.

The gallery gives us the opportunity to show what we do so please participate by bringing your fiber creations. Contact Laurel Cahoon if you have questions.

We are transitioning from very few people doing most of the work to a much healthier and more resilient organization where more people participate and contribute their skills, talents, and time. I have certainly benefited from this and I want to thank everyone.

Kathie (339-3873)

Opportunities to share our love of the fiber arts,

Lisa Shiosaki Olsen from Rocky Mountain Middle School has asked if we would be interested in demonstrating any of our skills at their Renaissance Fair on Wednesday, June 3. Waiting for more details from Lisa, but please let Kate, iwantsheep@ida.net or 521-5343, know if you are interested in participating.

Michelle Jorgensen, a park ranger at Harriman State Park, contacted us to participate in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation. Harriman State Park is hosting a three-day event, July 24 - 26, 2015 with the theme Harriman Heritage Days, highlighting unique western heritage and spirit of outdoor recreation in Idaho. The Park is seeking artisans of all kinds, jewelry makers, musicians, farriners, mountain men and women, food vendors, and others to share their unique products and talents with the community. Several Guild members are planning to attend. How about you? Please contact Kate if you would like to participate.



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Registration form -2015 Snake River Fiber Arts Fest Classes

Registration is available online at www.srfiberartists.org or by mailing this form. Please keep a copy for your records.

Day	Subject	Class	Fee
Friday All Day 9 to 4:30	Basketry	Snake River Fishing Creel -- Connie Denton (This class will be repeated on Sunday as an All Day class)	\$65.00
Friday All Day 9 to 4:30	Weaving	Twill, Queen of Weaves -- Judie Overbeek	\$65.00
Friday 1:30 to 4:30	Fiber Preparation	How to Make Blended Fiber Variegated Yarns – Joan Contraman	\$40.00
Friday 1:30 to 4:30	Knitting	A Perfect Match: Knit 2 Socks at a Time on 2 Circular Needles -- Claudia Pine	\$35.00
Saturday All Day 9 to 4:30	Rug Punch	Rug Hooking With a Punch Needle -- Phyllis Bulgin	\$100.00
Saturday All Day 9 to 4:30	Weaving	Weave a Tapestry Beaded Bag -- Joan Contraman	\$55.00
Saturday All Day 9 to 4:30	Basketry	Teton Backpack Basket – Connie Denton	\$65.00
Saturday 9 to Noon	Spinning	Beginning Spinning - Sylvia Wiklund	\$35.00
Saturday 9 to 1	Felting	Resist Felting Techniques – Felted Mittens – Joelle McCarthy (NOTE longer class time)	\$50.00
Saturday 9 to Noon	Crocheting	Crochet a Freestyle Gnome Hat from Handspun Art Yarn -- Jennifer Green	\$25.00
Saturday 1:30 to 4:30	Spinning	Plying Techniques for Perfect Yarn -- Judie Overbeek	\$45.00
	Knitting	Charts Ahoy – How to Reading Knitting Charts - Jane Sheetz	\$25.00
	Spinning	Beginning Drop Spindle - Elizabeth Dailey	\$35.00
	Fiber Arts Education	Introduction To Fiber Arts - Mary Ellen Anderson	\$20.00
	Wet Felting	Sculpted & Bedazzled Felt Bowl -- Laurel Orthmeyer	\$40.00
Sunday All Day 9 to 4:30	Spinning	You Can Spin Novelty Yarns -- Judie Overbeek	\$65.00
Sunday All Day 9 to 4:30	Basketry	Snake River Fishing Creel – Connie Denton (This is a repeat of the class taught all day Friday)	\$65.00
Sunday 9 to Noon	Spinning	Spin Cotton on the Tahkli -- Jennifer Green	\$25.00
	Weaving	Weaving Tricks, Tips & Techniques - Joan Contraman	\$40.00
Sunday 1:30 to 4:30	Needle Felting	Needle Felted Animals - Laurel Orthmeyer	\$30.00
	Spinning	Advanced Drop Spindle - Elizabeth Dailey	\$35.00

Day	Meal (please circle one selection)	Price	How Many?	Total
Saturday	Lunch Beef or Turkey Sandwich?	\$10.00		
Saturday	Dinner (Fashion Show and Spin-In)	\$10.00		
Sunday	Lunch Beef or Turkey Sandwich?	\$10.00		

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