

Whatcom Weavers Guild Newsletter



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November Newsletter



What more can be said? We had a wonderful Fibers & Beyond Show, the weather is still with us and the colors are a great inspiration for creativity. See inside for news on more shows by our fellow artists and crafters; if you missed F&B, find photos of the fun times. And take a look in our classifieds—some irresistible new offerings! It's our time of the year, folks—happy creating for the Holidays.

Happy Weaving!

Pat Fisher. Newsletter Coordinator.
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2017/18 Programs

Meetings held at:

St James Church (lower level), 910, 14th St., Bellingham.
Third Saturday of each month, 10am-2pm.

Meeting start—10am.

10-noon—business meeting, show and tell and lunch

2-4pm—program.

November 18—Sock Monkey for Skookum Kids

December 16—Holiday Potluck, Weavers Harvest and Finishing Bee

January 20—It's a Wrap! Working with Color.

February 17—tba

March 17—tba

April 21—tba

May 19—tba

Guild mailing address:

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Guild on-line:

Website:



www.whatcomweaversguild.org

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

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Fibers & Beyond Thank you, Submitted by Cathy Thompson

This years Fibers and Beyond Conference and Sale was a great success, thanks to a core group who were responsible for making it happen. A whole lot of effort went into arranging a three-day series of workshops and a one day sale.

A sincere thank you to everyone and especially to:

Sheri Ward, who chaired the overall event. She was there for the long haul and made it work smoothly.

Marilyn Olsen, who was responsible for the sale itself, arranging the volunteers and setting up the displays.

Joan Cunningham, who arranged the workshops, finding willing teachers for interesting workshops and the key note speaker.

Barbara Young, who did a great job with publicity. Many visitors enjoyed the sale and visiting the Jansen for the first time. Workshop students came from far and wide, including Montana and Canada.

Lisa Christianson, who provided signage, made and moved props and set up the display.

Susan Clueit, who was there from beginning helping the jurors, storing all the juried products prior to the sale and at the end of the day, reconciling the sales.

Many volunteers helped make this event a success, more than I can mention here. Again, thank you one and all.

As a result of this hard working group and all the volunteers involved, the 20 artists made a combined \$3,312 in sales. The Guild received \$685 for the general fund, the Jansen Art Center and participating instructors benefited from the workshops as did the students who took away new ideas and finished products, furthering their experience in the world of fiber.



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More from the 2017 Fibers & Beyond Show



Salish Weaving
Workshop



Warp painting workshop



Rigid Heddle
Loom
Workshop

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Small Looms Group, from Sharon Allen

Saturday, November 4, 12-3pm is the next date for the active Small Looms Group. Join in on the fun with your Inkle, tapestry, tablet weaving, rigid heddle or any loom small enough to bring to the library!

And put it in your calendar—the December meeting will be Saturday December 2.

Sharon
360-305-0111

ANWG Thoughts, from Liz Moncrief

Many thanks to all Whatcom Guild members for the Guild's membership in the Association of Northwest Weavers Guilds. If you don't know about ANWG, please ask Liz Moncrief, your Guild Representative. Being a member of the Whatcom Weavers Guild automatically entitles you to the benefits of ANWG, which include member registration to weavers conferences, held every two years. Our 2017 conference held in Victoria, BC was a huge success and may allow the ANWG board to issue financial grants again to the member guilds. Whatcom has been a happy recipient of these grants in the past. www.northwestweavers.org

Traveling Weaver—Looking for America!

Teresa Van Haalen and hubby continue their journey across the US and Canada for a year, Looking for America. If you want to follow their journey, Teresa posts a brief blog 2-3 times a month. You can read the blog and see some photos at vanhaalen.wordpress.com, and clicking on the link on the right that says "Travel by Destination", and scrolling down to "Looking for America". Teresa and John hope to get your reactions! Happy weaving!

Latest update! Halcyon in Bath—my Mecca!



The Snow Cap project—WWG Annual Good Deed, by Barbara Snow.

Please start knitting as winter will be here before you know it. If you can, knit or crochet a hat to fit a child or adult. Scarves are also wanted, so get your knitting needles or your crochet hook going!

I will be taking them to the various places that we support the first week of November. Please bring your finished things to the guild meetings (not September) or call me at 360-676-4379 for pick-up.

Thanks for being involved! Barbara Snow.

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Peace Arch
Weavers & Spinners

peace-arch-weavers-and-spinners.org

34th Annual Artisan Sale

Friday, November 3 12-5pm
Saturday, November 4 10-5pm
Sunday, November 5 11-4pm

*Shop for unique fashion accessories,
baskets, and home decor. Items hand
woven, felted, or hand spun and knit.*

SPECIAL FEATURES

- ▶ Silent Auction
- ▶ Guest Artisans
- ▶ Ongoing Demonstrations
- ▶ On-site Café
- ▶ Free Parking

VISA, MC & INTERAC ACCEPTED

TURNBULL GALLERY

South Surrey Recreation & Arts Centre
14601 20th Avenue, Surrey, BC

Admission by Donation
Door Prizes

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Programs for 2017-2018, by Carol Berry, VP and Programs Chair

Whatcom Weavers Guild meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 910-14th Street, Bellingham, WA.

Unless noted, meetings will start at 10am and continue until 2 pm, with a short break for brown-bag lunch. Hot water for coffee or tea is provided.

Monthly meeting schedule may be changed to accommodate special events or Field Trip programs.

2017-2018 meeting schedule and program calendar—See Events Page of our website (whatcomweaversguild.org) for more Textile-related events in Bellingham and beyond!

November 18, 2017 Saturday meeting and program.

Sock Monkeys for Skookum Kids: June Fraser Thistle presents her inspiring story, at a local intersection of fiber arts and social services, and invites us to share the warmth, healing and fun of craftivism in our community!

10am business meeting at St James Church, member show and tell, break for lunch (bring your own, coffee, tea and cookies provided). Program at noon, stay for hands-on Sock Monkey making or study groups.

December 16, 2017 Saturday meeting and program.

Holiday Potluck, Weavers Harvest and "Finishing Bee". Members bring your work made in, or inspired by workshops at the ANWG, or other conferences and workshops in 2017. Scholarship recipients will present their short programs. Bring your unfinished items, we'll set up tables for a 'Finishing Bee' throughout the afternoon. Iron, ironing board, sewing machine, fringe twisters, and shared expertise will get those projects done before the holidays. We'll have an ornament-making table set up too. (For those who are all done with their projects). Bring a potluck dish to share, or \$1 to cover the cost of crock-pot chili or soup, your own napkin and table setting, and your un-finished work!

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Jansen Fall Textile Classes, from Sheri Ward

Rigid Heddle Weaving, Intermediate and Advanced with Susan Torntore, 4 Weeks: Sunday, Oct. 29 – Nov. 19, 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Adults & Teens 16+, CLASS FEE: \$165, MATERIALS: \$15

Beginning Spinning with Chris Paul, 3 Weeks: Saturday, Nov. 4 - 18, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Adults & Teens 13+, CLASS FEE: \$90

Workshop in Hand-Dyeing—Color Ways for Fabrics with Susan Torntore & Marilyn Olsen, 2 Day Workshop: Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 4 - 5, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Adults & Teens 16+, CLASS FEE: \$145, MATERIALS: \$25

Beginning Weaving and Tapestry with Joyce A Noordmans, 4 Weeks: Thursday, Nov. 9 – Dec. 7, 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM, Adults & Teens 16+, CLASS FEE: \$125, MATERIALS: \$15

Double Weave with Sheri Ward, 4 Weeks: Friday, Nov. 10 – Dec. 8, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Adults & Teens 16+, CLASS FEE: \$145, MATERIALS: \$15

Snow People Centerpiece with Kay Harradine, 1 Day Workshop: Saturday, Nov. 11, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Adults & Kids 10+, CLASS FEE: \$70 (Adults) and FREE (Ages 10-16), MATERIALS: \$20 Per Person

Exploring Lichen and Mushroom Dyes with Susan Torntore, 2 Weeks: Saturday, Dec. 2 - 9, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Adults & Teens 16+, CLASS FEE: \$145, MATERIALS: \$25

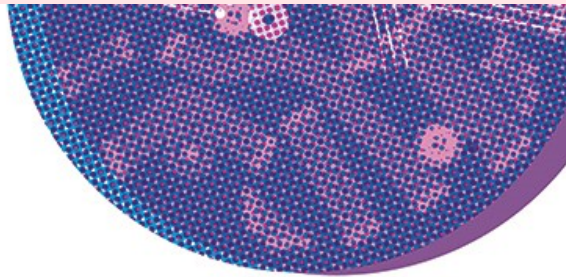
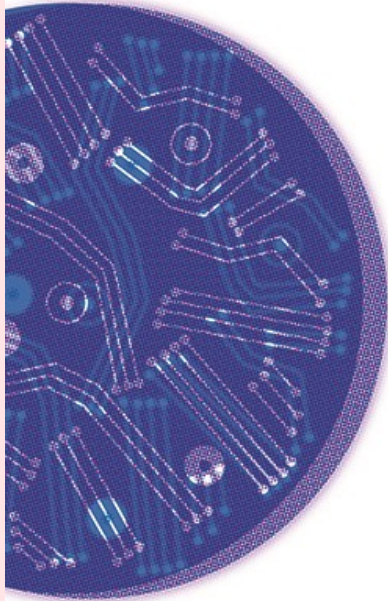
Felted Bowl class with Donna Hunter. Thursday Dec 7, 1-4. Adults and Teens 16+, CLASS FEE: \$30, MATERIALS: \$4

Splint Woven Heart Basket with Kay Harradine, 1 Day Workshop: Saturday, Dec. 9, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Adults & Teens 16+, CLASS FEE: \$70, MATERIALS: \$25

To see details and to register, visit <https://www.jansenartcenter.org/textiles-studio/>

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<https://westerngallery.wvu.edu/>

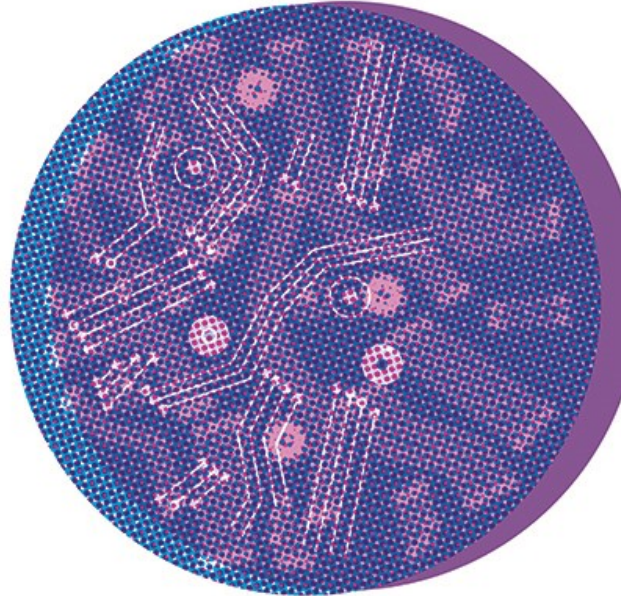


WESTERN GALLERY

CODED THREADS

Textiles & Technology

9.27 - 12.8 2017



Fine Arts Building,
516 High St. Bellingham,
WA 98225

FEATURED ARTISTS

Lia Cook / Linda Hutchins
Robin Kang / Sheila Klein
Barbara Layne & Lauren Osmond
Maggie Orth / Devorah Sperber
Reiko Sudo / Laura Thapthimkuna
Suzi Webster / Carol D. Westfall
Anne Wilson / Margo Wolowicz

OPENING RECEPTION

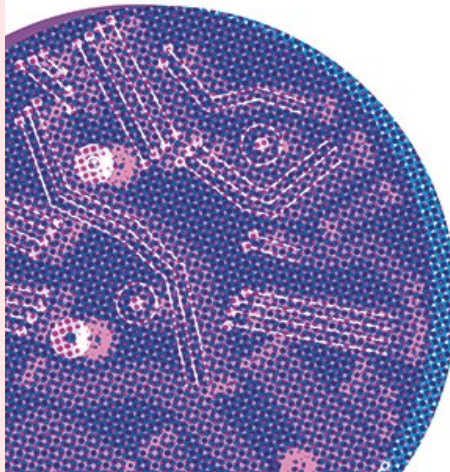
Thursday 9.28 / 5:30-7 pm

Artist Talk by Barbara Layne, 4:30-5:30pm before the reception

text/textile, web/website, net/network:

Jacquard weaving, electronic textile, 3D printing, laser cutting, carbon fibers, nanotechnology, biocouture, spider silk, fiber optics, conductive threads, dye sublimation, thermochromic ink, and more.

Curator: Seiko A. Purdue



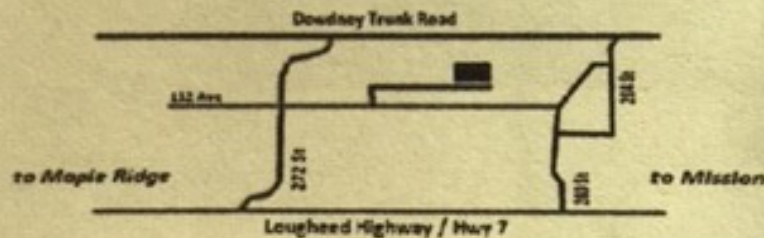
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Handweaving, Handspinning & Handknitting

**Whonnock
Weavers & Spinners
Guild**

37th Annual Exhibit & Sale
Sunday November 26, 2017
10 am to 4 pm

Whonnock Lake Centre
at Whonnock Lake Park, Maple Ridge



Basketry, Felting & Guest Artists



website: www.wwsq.ca or on Facebook at
www.facebook.com/WhonnockWeaversandSpinnersGuild

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Spindrifters Meetings:

Spindrifters meet the 2nd Saturday of the month and share with Skagit County. To be added to their e-mail list contact Tina spindrifters1@hotmail.co There you have it: You are always welcome at the "J" on Thursdays which is open studio from 11-7. Happy Spinning!! Chris Paul. Youthfair.chris@gmail.com.

Workshops in Fibers and other interesting stuff:

Dyeing, soaps, lotions, felting, spinning, weaving, botanicals... Please check my website as my schedule is always changing and usually current. Liz Moncrief, www.aweaversway.com, 970-692-3949

Beginning and intermediate weave classes with Skagit Valley College, Mt Vernon, instructor Liz Moncrief. Starting Nov. 18, 2017. Weaving looms are provided. www.skagit.edu or contact Liz.

From the Whidbey Weavers Guild:

Meetings are on the first Thursday of the month and run from 10:00 to 2:30, bring your brown bag lunch and cup. Meeting place: 15 NW Birch Street, Coupeville WA 98239. Whidbeyweaversguild.org

Save the date, start planning! HGA Convergence! Submitted by Marcia Ford.

Time to announce the 2018 Handweavers Guild of America conference **Convergence 2018!** It will be held next year at Peppermill Resort and Casino in Reno Nevada. Dates are July 6-12, 2018. I have attended a number of Convergences over the years and always have found them inspiring with exhibits, workshops, and opportunity to see first hand what is happening in our fiber community on a wider scale. Last year, few attended from WWG at Convergence 2017 in Milwaukee. However, it's a great opportunity to learn lots, meet many, and have the opportunity to share rooms, transportation, memories. I hope our members will consider a Convergence experience.



News for Program Chairs: "Peruvian Textiles in a Box" Coming in 2018

Andean Textile Arts is pleased to announce that we will soon be offering "Peruvian Textiles in a Box," a self-guided guild program about the weavers, textiles, and communities around the Sacred Valley of Peru. The program includes video, speaker notes, and a selection of textiles representing the wide variety of weaving structures and designs from the various communities, from intricate warp-faced pickup techniques to tapestry and scaffold-weaving, plus knitting, dyeing, braiding, and more. This program in a box will be available to guilds on a rotating basis for a small shipping fee and the cost of returning the materials.

For more information, email us at [http://info@andeantextilearts.org](mailto:info@andeantextilearts.org).

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Classified—Looms and equipment for sale:



Ashford 16 inch. 8 shaft table loom with 2 reeds. This loom folds up so it is great for storage, traveling or workshops. \$600.00.



Bliss cutter with 3 heads. \$325.00

Contact: Mary Oates, 360 961 0686

Arthur Allen 30" counterbalance loom, \$200. 4-shaft, 6 pedals. 12-dent reed. No bench or other hardware. Cloth aprons front and back, with new lashing to apron bars. Loom folds for easy storage or transport. Fits in the back of a Prius.

Kelley Dragon. Text 321-506-5985, or email wise_lady@mac.com



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Classified—Looms and equipment for sale:

FOR SALE: Nilus Leclerc maple jack loom- 4 harness —\$700.00

Great Condition!

56" W x 36" D x 44" H — Folds to 29" W

46" weaving width

Includes:

Two 46" reeds - 8 and 12 dent

Wire heddles, with many extras

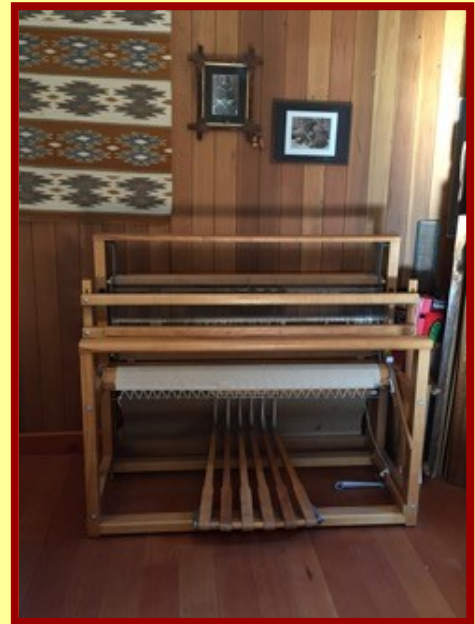
Ratchet brake

Swedish Bobbin Winder (\$100 Value)

Boat shuttles and Bobbins

Please contact Jane Coombs 360 398-1637 or

dwjmcoombs@gmail.com



Loom for sale:

120 cm (47") Standard Glimakra countermarch loom. Excellent condition – located in Bellingham.

Price: \$1600

Contact: Doug Couvelier at dougco511@aol.com



For Sale: Antique Spinning Wheel and Wool Winder

Beautiful antique Walk Wheel from New Hampshire. Thought to be a Shaker wheel by antique dealer but not proven. In excellent condition. \$150.00

Antique wool winder from Massachusetts. In excellent condition. It smacks a flat piece of wood on the back for every yard, wound. \$100.00

Items can be seen at my house. Clara Kelly.
360-650-0705



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Happy clicking! Interesting websites and links

- Blazing Shuttles (Warp source). <http://www.blazingshuttles.com>
- Craftsy (crafts and sewing online classes). www.craftsy.com
- Handweaving.net (zillions of drafts!). <http://www.handweaving.net/Home.aspx>
- Syne Mitchell's WeaveZine. <http://weavezine.com/>
- Complex Weavers. <http://www.complex-weavers.org/>
- Weave Tech. <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WeaveTech/>
- HGA (Handweavers Guild of America). <http://www.weavespindye.org/>
- Webs (Yarns for weaving and knitting). www.yarn.com
- Halcyon Yarns (supplies and yarns). www.halcyonyarn.com
- Ravelry (knitting and crochet community). www.ravelry.com
- Wearing scarves. www.scarves.net (click Knot Library)
- Jansen Art Center, Lynden, WA. www.jansenartcenter.org
- Association of NW Weaving Guilds (ANWG). <http://northwestweavers.org>

Do you have a favorite you would like to share with your fellow members?
Send it to me—Pat Fisher, Newsletter. Contact: pat.fisher@comcast.net

Upcoming Calendar Dates To Remember

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June 16, 2018	WWG June meeting
July 6th to 12th 2018	HGA Convergence conference, Reno, Nevada.