



Western Reserve Spinners & Weavers Guild

Member of the Handweavers Guild of America and the Midwest Weavers Association

Our Mission...

To teach and promote the arts of spinning, weaving, dyeing and related fiber arts.



www.wrspinweave.org

Unless otherwise noted all meetings take place at Lake Metroparks Farmpark on 4th Tuesday of the month.

Social time is at 6:00 pm, followed by show 'n' tell at 6:45; mtg/program from 7:00—9:00 pm



2017 WRSW Events and Programs

January 7—ROC DAY— Potluck & celebration of fiber arts. (Wilby Hills Community Ctr 11-3)

February 28—President’s Challenge!

March 28—Panel Discussion on clothing from handwoven fabrics

April 25 — What’s on the Bookshelf?

May 23—Field Trip to Lake County Historical Society: A Viewing of Textile Collection

June 27— The Art of Bobbin Lace

July 25—Potluck Picnic and Stash Relocation Location TBA

August 22—History of WRSW

September 23 & 24— Farmpark Wool Jamboree (no reg. meeting)

October 24—Understanding Color

November 28—DVD: *Color Interaction for Handweavers*

December 2 —Holiday Party

Please sign me up as a new member for the _____ calendar year!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Dues are \$25 for an individual, plus \$10 for each additional family member. Please make your check payable to the Western Reserve Spinners & Weavers Guild and send to: Nora Eason, 11483 Robin Wood Lane, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023

WESTERN RESERVE SPINNERS & WEAVERS GUILD

THE WESTERN RESERVE SPINNERS & WEAVERS GUILD WAS ORGANIZED IN 1975. THE GUILD IS OPEN TO WEAVERS, SPINNERS & ALL THOSE INTERESTED IN THE FIBER ARTS. GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT LAKE METROPARKS FARM PARK, 8800 CHARDON ROAD (RT. 6), KIRTLAND, OH 44094 ON THE 4TH TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH (EXCEPT DEC. & JAN). THE DATE, TIME AND/OR LOCATION MAY OCCASIONALLY BE CHANGED. IF THIS OCCURS, NOTICE IS GIVEN BY NEWSLETTER, FACEBOOK, WEBSITE (WRSPINWEAVE.ORG) OR EMAIL.

ANNUAL DUES ARE \$25 FOR INDIVIDUAL MEMBER, AND \$10 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER.

OUR NEWSLETTER IS PUBLISHED BI-MONTHLY AND IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS VIA E-MAIL.

Special Interest Groups

Welcome to our special guild events and groups for 2017! Whenever you are reading this, there will be something going on for our members, and I hope that you'll join us! A Special Interest Group can be defined as "a community within a larger organization with a shared interest in advancing a specific area of knowledge..." Please read more and discover the potential of what awaits you!

SIGS are only open to WRSW Guild Members. There is no additional cost.

Felt— The creation of felt can use different techniques – wet felting, needle felting... and it may take on different forms – clothing, accessories, items for the home or as gifts. One thing that ties them all together is a love of fiber, color, and textures that turn simple materials into things of beauty and function. The Focus on Felt SIG explores all of this and more at our monthly meetings.

Rigid Heddle — This is the latest addition to our SIG family. Rigid Heddle weaving is a friendly introduction to weaving. The rigid heddle loom is portable, inexpensive and versatile. This SIG will be members helping members and challenging each other to explore the possibilities of rigid heddle looms.

Weaving—The Weaving SIG is for all skill levels of weavers. This SIG generally meets four times a year to study either weave structures or fiber choices. Members are encouraged to study under different weaving instructors, as the SIG cannot supersede this invaluable learning experience.

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Spinning—The Spinning SIG meets four times a year, and it is a wonderful opportunity to meet with like-minded spinners who desire to improve their skills, get answers to vital spinning questions and to get positive feedback on their work. This year we'll be learning about woolen and worsted draws on cotton and wool, fiber prep on combs, and all about alpaca. In each meeting we'll learn a skill, and then practice it and bring samples and discuss them at the following meeting. Please note that this SIG is for spinners who are able to spin stable singles. For those interested in learning how to spin, we can suggest both formal and informal opportunities in the community.

Workshops

Beginning Tapestry, March 25, 2017

Accomplished tapestry/hand-weaver & guild member, Bobbie Shafer will instruct participants in the basics of tapestry techniques. Learn how to warp a loom, weave a heading, attach a cartoon, slit tapestry, weft interlock, horizontal stripes, diagonal shapes, vertical stripes and hatching. (see our website for more information)

Jumpstart Vest, October 21-22, 2017

Daryl Lancaster, renowned weaver and fiber artist will lead participants in creating a custom fit lined vest guaranteed to look great, feel good, and teach you the basics of garment construction. (see our website for more information)

