The Western Reserve Spinners and Weavers Guild

1 or 2 days of Spinning With Kate Larson

Saturday, September 7th and/or Sunday, September 8th, 2013 at Lake Metroparks Farmpark in Kirtland, OH

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7th, 2013 Spinning Handpainted Fibers

Handpainted combed tops and dyed locks can be found in a plethora of colors these days. The way the colors mix and shade in the fiber is often what draws us in, but can look "muddy" when spun into yarn. Come learn a variety of ways to prepare, combine, draft, and ply these beautiful fibers to give you the yarn you want. We will work with several different types of wool and a few luxuries like silk and yak.

Skill Level: Beginning spinning experience necessary.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8th, 2013 Sweet Feet: Spinning for Socks

Handspun and knit socks can be a joy to wear. Understanding how fiber, yarn design, and knitted gauge intersect will help you create socks that feel better and last longer. We will spin a variety of fibers, talk about how to make the best use of each fiber's unique characteristics, and how preparation impacts the yarns we make. Bring your needles, try a few unusual cast-ons, and learn some creative mending techniques.

Skill Level: Beginning spinning and knitting experience necessary.

Participant to bring: A spindle or working wheel, extra bobbins, and lazy kate. You will need handcards for this class. Some handcards will be available to borrow. Double pointed needles in US#1,2, and 3, tapestry needle. (Optional: Combs.)





1 day: \$75.00 WRSW members \$100.00 non-members both days: \$130 WRSW members

Supply fee is included.

Guild Member Only Registration Until July 1, 2013

Open Registration after July 1, 2013

DEPOSIT: \$75.00 (BALANCE DUE BY August 1, 2013. REFUND POLICY: All but \$50 refunded before June 30

No refund after July 1, 2013. **EXCEPTIONS:** Fully refunded if there is a waiting list.

Make check out to: WRSW (Western Reserve

Spinners and Weavers).

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Kate Larson loves using fiber arts as a bridge between her passions for art and agriculture. Her fiber journey has led her to a year of study in England, a degree in Environmental Soil Chemistry, a tour of Estonian textile traditions, and back to the farm where her family has lived for six generations. She keeps an ever-growing flock of Border Leicester sheep and teaches handspinning and knitting regularly in central Indiana and around the country. Kate has published articles and designs in Spin-Off Magazine, Jane Austen Knits, Knitting Sweaters from Around the World, and manages the Spinner's Connection blog at spinningdaily.com. You can find her at KateLarsonTextiles.com.

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