



Weavers Guild of the North Shore

www.weaversguildnorthshore.org

November 2023

Calendar

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There are no Guild or Nightweavers meetings in November

December 2023

Guild Meeting

Date: Thursday, December 7, 10 am

Location: Unitarian Church in Evanston and Zoom

Program: Wounaan Baskets: Preserving an Indigenous Columbian Tradition

Nightweavers

Date: Thurs., December 14, 7 p.m.

Program: Cookie Exchange and 2024 Program Planning

Hostess: Carolyn Seng

Co-hostess: Everyone attending

Please RSVP to Dagmar Klos if planning to attend

Questions about Nightweavers contact Dagmar

GUILD CHALLENGE

Our 2023 Guild Challenge is Project Redemption. Let's revisit a past weaving failure and turn it into a success. Experiment with techniques, materials, and colors to create something you're proud of. Let's push ourselves out of our comfort zones and see what we can achieve by December.

MEETING MINUTES

IN KEEPING WITH OUR NEW PROCEDURE FOR POSTING LENGTHY ARTICLES ON THE WEBSITE RATHER THAN THE NEWSLETTER. FIND THE OCTOBER [MEETING MINUTES HERE](#)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REGARDING FAOF ON PAGE 3 OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

PLEASE READ!

President's Letter

November is here, and with it comes the annual Fine Art of Fiber show and sale, held at the stunning Chicago Botanic Gardens.

For our newer members, FAOF is not just an exhibition; it is an essential fundraiser that helps the guild maintain its ability to offer a wide range of programs, workshops, scholarships, as well as participate in philanthropic giving.

This year's FAOF is scheduled for November 3, 4, 5 (10 am – 5 pm) in the Regenstein Center, and even if you're not planning to sell your work, we would love to see you there! It's a fantastic opportunity to wander around the gardens and connect, be inspired by, and celebrate with your fellow fiber-forward friends; The Illinois Quilters Inc. (IQI) and the North Suburban NeedleArts Guild (NSNG), also show and sell at FAOF. As one of the oldest and most prestigious fiber art shows in the Midwest, it is a wonderful chance to discover and purchase locally crafted fiber and textile works, making it the perfect time to stock up on unique holiday gifts!

Your presence at FAOF helps us celebrate and support the guild, ensuring that we can continue to thrive and bring you a wide array of enriching activities and opportunities. We look forward to seeing you at this remarkable event and sharing in the joy of fiber artistry.

Wishing you a fantastic November filled with creativity and inspiration!

Julia



Remember! To access the website-based Newsletter links
YOU MUST FIRST SIGN INTO

<http://www.weaversguildnorthshore.org/loq-in/>

There is a universal Username & Password for all current members.

To protect the privacy of all Guild members, please do not share this with non-members.

Username: WGNS2023

Password: WGNSTogether2023!

WGNS Virtual Studio Tour II - Your current weaving project – Participation Invitation

Dear fellow guild members,
WGNS would like to invite you to participate in the **WGNS Virtual Studio Tour II - Your current weaving project** coming up on October 6th 2024 at our regular meeting. Similar to the original WGNS Virtual Studio Tour created by Kate and Judith, the main goal of this activity is to know each other better, to learn about our current projects, how they started, and what served as an inspiration. We are sure there are many interesting stories behind each project and it would be so great if you could share them with fellow guild members as an inspiration.

We invite you to submit photos of:

1. Your current weaving project that you have on your loom/you are working on.
2. Weaving materials you use for this project.
3. Any pictures that inspired you to start this project.

A few questions that will help us tell your story:

1. What is the story (if any) behind the weaving project you currently are working on.
2. What inspired you to start the project?
3. What new skills do you plan to learn as a result of this project (if any)?
4. What materials did you pick for the project and why?

Please send the information to my email at tonya.utkina@gmail.com at your earliest convenience. We will need time to collect information from guild members, process it and, create a presentation for the October 6th 2024 meeting.

Thank you so much and please let us know if you have any questions.

Ceecee and Tonya
WGNS 2024 Programs

FREE LOOM

1920's era loom in the basement. Free to a good home.
Dimensions: 37" tall, 44" wide, 42" deep
Located in Libertyville. Contact Laurie at 3inthefamily@gmail.com.



NIGHTWEAVERS

Night Weavers program for December will be planning programs for 2024. Please bring your ideas and thoughts including what you might be willing to present at one of the monthly meetings. Possibilities are endless - a particular weave structure(s), basket techniques, tips and tricks of the trade, yarn sources, equipment reviews, weaving software programs, etc. Our successful year is the result of everyone's contributions.

WGNS Instagram

Dear current and future Instagrammers!

As you probably know our guild has an Instagram account at <https://www.instagram.com/weaversguildnorthshore/>. Our goal is to grow the number of our Instagram followers and, thus, spread a word about the guild in Chicago and beyond. If you have not started following the guild's Instagram account, please do so by clicking the "Follow" button at the link above. Please share your Instagram account by sending your link to my email address at tonya.utkina@gmail.com and the guild will follow you. Let me know if you have any guild or weaving related news/information you would like to share on our Instagram. Pictures are always very welcome. You can send them at my email above. Thank you!

NEW MEMBERS!

Please correct your Membership Book

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FAOF 2023 Inventory & Barcode Info :

CHECK-IN:

Don't forget to sign up for a Check-in time slot on Thursday, November 2. Choose a time slot based on how many items you are bringing to the sale. Bring your items with barcode stickers attached and your printed inventory sheet.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EA4AB2CA0FEC70-43732161-faof>

YOUR BEAUTIFUL INVENTORY ITEMS:

Affix your barcode stickers to your tags before check-in and bring your inventory sheet along. For people who requested an additional inventory sheet (due 10/28), your additional stickers will be available at check-in. If you have any questions please contact Beth (847) 630-1564 or northshoreweavers@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERING FOR THE FAOF

There is still time to sign up to help at the FAOF. No sign up sheets necessary!!! Just go to [THIS LINK](#) and sign up. However, for those who can't do this on a computer, feel free to contact Marilyn Lindeman (info below) .

We are keeping the requests the same:

All member are encouraged to work one or two shifts if possible.

Members selling 50 or fewer items are asked to work 2 shifts.

Members selling over 50 items are asked to work 3 shifts.

Marilyn Lindeman

847-636-7347

marilynlindeman@mac.com

W-9 INFORMATION

If your net sales (pre-tax, after the 25% contribution to WGNS and the Chicago Botanic Garden) exceed \$600, WGNS is required to send you a 1099 form. If you anticipate netting more than \$600 or if you are not sure, please fill out and bring an IRS W-9 form with you to check-in. If you do net more than \$600, we will need to receive your W-9 form before we can issue your check. If you submitted a W-9 form in 2022, we do not need a new one. To download a W-9 form, go to the [IRS website](#) or click [HERE](#).

YOU CAN FIND THE SALE RULES AND GUIDELINES AND A SALE TAG EXAMPLE IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP BOOK ON PAGES 29-33!

FAOF **** SILENT AUCTION ****

Please look through your collection of interesting fiber items and if you can part with something(s) put it in the silent auction. It does not have to be made by you. This is a good way to pass on something which might bring joy to another person and generate some income to help us pay for the show expenses.

Please bring a Silent Auction form for each item. The form can be downloaded from — 2023 FAOF Guild Member Forms. Scroll down to find the “Silent Auction Submission Form”. You can bring them to me in Wilmette (422 Forest Ave) up until October 26.

I always find the pricing a little tricky. By VALUE I think it means what it is worth = what you would have to pay for this item in a store or in our weaver's guild sales area at the FAOF. MINIMUM BID is more of a buy it now at a good price rather than just a very low price to get the bidding going like they do in some silent auctions at charity events.

Question??? Call or email me – Jeanne Reed 847-251-7979. jeannedreed@hotmail.com

Please note — my email address on the form is NOT correct! They left out the “d”!

FAOF RAFFLE NEWS 2023

Win a gorgeous handwoven towel set

Tickets sell for \$1 a piece or \$5 for a packet of 6. Have the participant fill out the bottom half of the ticket with their contact information legible: the winner does not need to be present to win. Any checks should be made out to 'WGNS' with the word 'raffle' in the memo line.

Return ticket stubs and money collected to Judith Simon or Stojana Keta at the raffle table at FAOF. Be sure to put the tickets and check in a SEALED envelope and indicate that they are “pre-sale tickets”. Don't forget that the Guild gets 100% of raffle sales sold **before the show**. The Botanic Gardens gets 10% of the tickets sold **at the show**.

If you need more tickets, please call Judith Simon 847-417-7856



Bulletin Board

The Weavers Guild of the North Shore is a 501© (3) Not for Profit corporation organized in 2006 to educate and encourage creative weaving and textile arts through monthly programs and work. The Guild's mission is to promote handweaving and fellowship through guild programs, workshops and philanthropy.

Meetings are usually held on the first Thursday of the month. Schedule details are in this newsletter, the website and the Membership Book. Most meetings are also available on Zoom. Links are provided in the newsletter when applicable.

Membership: **Korah Erbacher** (773) 338-0464

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Newsletter: Published from March to December.

Deadline is 2nd Thursday of the month preceding publication. Contact the Editor Faye Ryan at

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WGNS

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Library Users

Our library is now being housed at
The Chicago Weavers School
4201 W. Irving Park, Chicago, IL 60641.

Please contact Natalie Boyett to arrange a visit.

Natalie@chicagoweavingschool.com

(773) 490-0602

To check out books and for other information please email

Lindsey Wilson

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DISCOUNTED PERSONAL MEMBERSHIPS FOR CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN:

Because our Guild is a member of the Plant Society, you are eligible for a \$10 discount on any of the levels of membership at the garden.

See their website for more information and application forms.

<http://www.chicagobotanic.org/>

Making a purchase? Both Halcyon Yarn and The Woolery generously send 5% of guild member purchases back to WGNS at the end of each year.

Visit the link below to for directions:

<https://www.weaversguildnorthshore.org/2021/01/shop-for-supplies-and-support-wgns-its-a-win-win/>



INSTAGRAM

If you post weaving-related work on Instagram, you can tag our guild @weaversguildnorthshore and/or use hashtag #wgns

If we like what we see (we will) you'll likely make it onto our guild spotlight list!

Deadlines for Classified Ads

All ads are due by the 2nd Friday of the month preceding publication.

The cost is \$10 per ad and is due by the next guild meeting. Make checks payable to WGNS and give or mail payment to Newsletter Editor.

Irene Suyeoka Memorial Grant

We have established a small grant program for our members with the funds generated by the sale of Irene's donated yarns, plus some supplemental funds. The purpose is to assist guild members in the advancement of their skills. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year to help cover tuition and fees for workshops and courses in the fiber arts. The criterion for selection is past and present service to our guild. A commitment to future service will also be considered. All information provided will be strictly confidential and will be reviewed by the philanthropy committee ONLY (3 past presidents).

The application is available on the guild website.