

HEART OF COLORADO FIBER ARTS GUILD

MAY 2015 NEWSLETTER

NEXT MEETING IS MAY 1, 2015:

**At the Congregational Church of Christ, Buena Vista, with social hour at 9:30 am
with business meeting and program beginning at 10 am.**

The May meeting will include the unveiling of everyone's response to our yearly challenge. Back in September, members designed their own challenge for the year, with each person signing a "pledge card" listing three new things they would like to try out this year. Pledges include everything from designing sewn and knitted garments, ikat and shibori weaving projects, and making name tags to wear to Guild meetings. Now is the time to show off the results! Members will vote on the project they deem the best response to the challenge and the winner will receive a ticket to the October Fashion Show. We will also have regular show and tell, so let us see what you've been working on outside the challenge.

At the May meeting we will also be voting on officers for the 2015-2016 Guild year. The proposed slate of officers will be announced at the meeting. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted.

JUNE IS STASH SALE TIME:

Saturday, June 6, 2015 is our final get together before the summer hiatus. It will be our Stash Sale, at Nancy McAninch's house (well, her front yard and porch) from 9 am till 12 noon. If you have completed the stash organization and cleanup Janet taught us about last month at our "How to Organize Your Studio and Your Stash" presentation (or if your stash organization is still at the "virtual" stage), bring all the fiber related stuff you've decided you no longer have a need for. Make sure each item is marked with a price and a code for your name (at least 4 initials, please). Bring your own table for display and have your items set up and ready for sale by 9 am. You get 100% of the proceeds if you are a Guild member.

By the way, you can also BUY stuff at the Stash Sale! This is a great place to shop for the books, magazines, yarns, fabrics, patterns and tools you need to complete your stash, and the prices are fantastic, so bring your checkbook as well. Some very special buys will be available as the books from the Guild's library will also be for sale. You'll have a chance to delve deeper into your current fabric passion or try a new one with these treasures from the past.

P J BERGIN WORKSHOPS:

The workshops with P J Bergin (Hybrid Scarf on April 23 and the Felt Coasters on May 14) are filled. If you want to be on the waiting list, email Arlene at aawaldorf@aol.com.

UPDATE ON THE FASHION SHOW:

We still need volunteers to help out. This is our big fundraiser, where we make ourselves known in the fiber world, fund a large part of our budget, and sell that beautiful stuff we make all year. But it can't happen without YOU!!! If you haven't already done so, fill out the volunteer form at the back of this newsletter and get it to Donna Childers at dchilders727@yahoo.com.

ELIABETH JENKINS WORKSHOP

The year's Guest Artist for our Fashion Show, has agreed to give a half-day workshop on Painting on Silk on October 15, 2015, the day after the show. The cost is \$50, which includes a scarf blank for you to paint on. Information on the workshop is at the back of this newsletter. Space is VERY LIMITED, so call Donna Childers ([719-239-1834](tel:719-239-1834)) to sign up right away.

INTEREST GROUPS:

ART GARMENTS GROUP – Will meet Thursday, May 21, at 1 pm, in the classroom at Serendipity Yarn Gifts in Buena Vista. We will have a demo on how to do pintucks in garments. The group has a Challenge for the Fashion Show in the fall: Make a garment or accessory that reminds you of aspens.

FASHION SHOW COMMITTEE – No meeting scheduled this month.

SALIDA FIBER FESTIVAL COMMITTEE – No meeting scheduled this month.

WEAVING STUDY GROUP – Will meet on Tuesday, May 12, at 9:30 am, at Libby Fay's home in Buena Vista. Contact Libby at faycpa@aol.com if you need directions to her house.

WANT ADS:

FOR SALE – 4 harness, 6 treadle, 42” counter-balance floor loom with bench by Cromaie Craft, Hartland, Michigan. Wonderful for rag rugs or silk. This is a beautiful, well loved, well maintained, very sturdy and solid loom in working condition. \$900 OBO. [719-351-6757](tel:719-351-6757) or mtn.ruth9@gmail.com

ATTENTION FIBER ARTIST
Greenwood Fiberworks
&
Greensleeve Spindles

Trunk Show

Sunday
May 3rd
1 to 5 PM

Yarn, Roving
Spindles

Demonstrations, Prizes, and Refreshments

Serendipity Yarn & Gifts
321 W Main St Buena Vista CO
719-395-3110
www.Serendipityyarn.com



BABY HATS PROJECT:

At our last meeting the membership agreed to take on the charitable project of making baby hats for member Marilyn Bouldin to take with her in October when she goes to Ghana in Africa. She will be spending several weeks in Africa working as a nurse in rural health clinics there, and teaching local women a special class in “Helping Babies Breathe”. She is raising money to help fund badly needed eye surgeries on the local people, and wants to have at least 40 baby hats (regular and premie size) to give to the new mothers she works with. Get out your knitting needles and your baby stuff patterns, and knit up a hat or two (acrylic yarn, please).

MINUTES OF LAST MONTH'S MEETING:
Heart of Colorado FiberArts Guild Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Candace Weiss. Last month's minutes, having been disseminated via newsletter, were approved and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report: Nancy reported the guild's bank balance as of this date is \$2,946.52, which includes prior payment for half of our SteamPlant fee for the Fashion Show in October.

Committee Reports:

Fashion Show/Boutique—Janie Redetzki showed seamstress and knitting centerpiece possibilities for the tables. Because these would have to be made by volunteers with their own materials, she suggested a viewer's choice contest with the winner receiving a gift certificate from Fringe or Serendipity. The guild approved and details will be worked out.

Fiber Festival Booth—will meet to organize today. Diana Smith will be the organizer. Karen Robinson asked for volunteers from the guild to help on Festival committees.

Workshops/Programs—Arlene Waldorf reminded the guild that the challenge is due at the May meeting in BV. Both P.J. Bergin workshops have enough enrollees to be confirmed, each has room for two more people.

Announcements:

Candace announced that Marilyn Bouldin will be going to Ghana in October as part of the Unite for Sight effort to assist people who need eye surgeries. She is trying to raise \$5,000 to provide 100 sight-restoring operations. Candace also offered members the chance to knit baby hats to donate to African newborns.

A nominations committee is needed to create a slate for next year's officers to be presented and voted upon at the May meeting. Marny Danneberg, Nancy McAninch and Connie Bauer volunteered.

The yearly Stash Sale will be held on June 6th (the first Saturday in June) at Nancy McAninch's house from 9 a.m. to noon. Elizabeth volunteered to take charge of the payment table. Individuals with items for sale will bring their own tables and set up prior to 9 a.m. The guild library will also be offered for sale at this time at bargain prices.

Membership dues of \$35 for next year will be accepted beginning at the May meeting.

Program:

Janet Yinger discussed elements to consider and ways of organizing a fiber studio and reported on her own project portfolio.

Show and Tell:

Janie Redetzki—baby quilt, receiving blanket.

Sue Keyes—sweater made from recycled sweatpants, button and bead pins, necktie label purse.

Janet Yinger—knitted socks.

Connie Bauer—green ombre lace shawl, quilted landscape wall hanging made with gel medium application.

Mary Jo Sandell—yellow knitted baby blanket.

Candace Weiss—socks knitted at Serendipity by Sheryl on her antique knitting machine.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon. Next month's meeting will be held at the Congregational Church in Buena Vista, May 1st at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Shelby
Recording Secretary

SILK SCARF PAINTING WORKSHOP WITH ELIZABETH JENKINS Sign up for this exciting workshop with Elizabeth Jenkins, our very talented Guest Artist for the Fashion Show this year. She will be offering a half-day (3 hour) class in Silk Scarf Painting.

DATE: Thursday, October 15, 2015

PLACE: Bank of the West (downstairs meeting room)

146 G Street, Salida, Colorado

TIME: Morning class, 9 am till noon. Because class size is limited to 6 people, if enough people sign up, a second class will be held that afternoon.

PRICE: \$50.00

SUPPLIES: (Wear old clothes) an apron; some type of waterproof gloves (if using thin gloves, bring an

extra pair in case they tear): safety pins; a piece of cloth, and waterproof ink to “brand” your scarf with your name. Elizabeth will let the scarves dry and then take them to wash and iron them. She will then send them all back to us. We need to identify the scarves to get them back to their rightful owners.

Call Donna Childers at [719-239-1834](tel:719-239-1834) to sign up for the workshop and instructions on where to mail your check.

Space is very limited, so sign up soon!

FASHION SHOW SURVEY:

HCFG LUNCHEON/FASHION SHOW/BOUTIQUE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2015

1. I WOULD LIKE TO HELP AT THE Luncheon/Fashion Show in this way:

_____ Be a model

_____ Help dress models

_____ Donate a door prize

_____ Help make table gifts

_____ Help set up table decorations

_____ Anywhere you need me

2. I am hoping to enter items for the _____ Fashion Show

_____ Boutique

3. I am willing to help at the Boutique on Wed. October 14 by:

_____ Help set up display items

_____ Cashier for _____ Cash

_____ Credit Card

4. I would like to be on the Fashion Show Committee _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Email address _____