

Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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December 2011

December Meeting

Monday 12/19/11

10:00 a.m. (9:30 a.m. social time) to 1:00 p.m. Room C, James City County Recreation Center 5301 Longhill Road, Williamsburg

December is time for dues.

Program

December- everyone should bring something for the potluck luncheon. Remember to bring any utensils, plates, etc., that are needed for your contribution. Please note: there is no heating element in the meeting room.

Participants will each create one fiber-related 3 dimensional object to exchange.

Bash

Bev Levinson will host the bash on Monday, 12/5/11.

Contact her if you plan to attend.





Minutes November 21, 2011

President Beth Palmer called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Beth noted that many members did not receive their emailed copies of the November newsletter unless they individually requested them. It was decided, however, that enough people had reviewed the October minutes to vote on them.

Minutes for the October meeting were approved as published in the November newsletter.

Treasurer: Ingrid Kross (not present) emailed Beth Palmer that there is \$2782.11 in the checking account. Beth noted that Ingrid had not yet written out the check for \$200 to the Williamsburg Unitarian Church in appreciation of their continuing generous loan of their facilities to the Guild. Once the check is written, there will be \$2582.11 in the checking account.

Librarian: Mary Lou asks members to please return all library materials (bring them to the December meeting), so that the library can start the new year fresh. Members should let Mary Lou know if they have items out and still need them.

Newsletter: Barbara Frey was not present **Historian**: Bernadette Marquez will be relocating after the first of the year. The Guild will need a new Historian and a home for the Guild's historical documents.

Programming:

November: Cathy Sterling will demonstrate CD weaving.

December: Potluck luncheon and an exchange. It was decided that participants will each create one fiber-related 3 dimensional object to exchange.

January: Felted faces workshop. This is a kind of needle felting and takes about 3 hours. The business meeting will be very short. The presenter may be able to supply "kits" of materials needed.

February: Stash swap & spin-in

March: Robin Russo. Tentatively- Monday afternoon & Tuesday will be a spinning workshop; Wednesday will be a kumihimo workshop.

February: "Super Bash". Sandi suggested the Guild have a 3 day "off-site" February 6-8 (Monday-Wednesday) at Powahatan Plantation. About 18 people could be accommodated; looms and spinning wheels could be set up.

Snacks December- everyone should bring something for the potluck luncheon. Remember to bring any utensils, plates, etc that are needed for your contribution. Please note: there is no heating element in the meeting room.

Bash: December 5 at Beverly Levinson's. Contact Beverly for directions to her house.

Book Reports:

Judy Mooers reviewed *The Big Book of Weaving: Handweaving in the Swedish Tradition: Techniques, Patterns, Designs and Materials* by Laila Lundell and Elisabeth Windesjö. She noted that it has excellent illustrations and well organized projects. The chapters on troubleshooting and project planning are especially good. She cautions that it is written for European weavers and the instructions are all for counter balanced looms.

Marsha Rehkamp reviewed *Tapestry weaving: A Comprehensive Study Guide* by Nancy Harvey. She felt it is a good self-study guide for learning tapestry weaving, giving well-illustrated instructions, good sampler projects for learning techniques and a wealth of photos for inspiration.

Both books are in the Guild library.

Old Business: The Mathews Studio Tour is Thanksgiving weekend (Nov 25-27).

New Business: Celia Quinn is considering doing spinning workshops in the area around the time of the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival. Judy Mooers suggests the Guild look into hosting one.

The proposed slate of officers for 2012 is:
Beth Palmer, President
Sandi Petty, Vice President
Ingrid Kross, Treasuerer
Marsha Rehkamp, Secretary

At the December meeting the slate, and any nominations from the floor, will be voted on by the members.

Show & Tell:

Sandi Petty — toothpick weaving pouches; used book, *Lace*; doubleweave shuttle holder; Theo Mormon window hangings.

Virginia Banks — toothpick weaving pouch.

Marsha Rehkamp — 2 tencel scarves; baby alpaca scarf; shadow weaving sampler.

Micki Decker — wearing one of her handmade necklaces.

Jane Gustafson — handmade cherry shuttle from the southwest Fiber Festival hosted by Common Threads in Silver City. (She can order the shuttles from the maker; they are \$50 plus shipping & handling).

Claudia — finished her #35 knitting needle scarf; learning to use the rigid heddle loom she borrowed from Helen Cadogan.

Judy Mooers — Notebook from Celia Quinn's cotton & silk spinning workshop; Notebook from "Just Our Yarns" working with hand-dyed yarns workshop (possible workshop for the Guild?); scarf from hand-dyed yarn.

Beth Palmer — slate tile with hemp weaving, from the book *Time to weave* by Jane Patrick (possible program for the Guild?)

Today's program:

CD weaving with Cathy Sterling

Respectfully submitted, Marsha Rehkamp Secretary

Members in attendance: Virginia Banks, David Banks, Mary Lou Birns, Micki Decker, Jane Gustafson, Claudia Melgaard, Selma Moore, Judy Mooers, Beth Palmer, Sandi Petty, Marsha Rehkamp, Frankie Snipes, Cathy Sterling

Dear Sandra,

We invite you to enter HGA's annual Small Expressions exhibit. Entry deadlines are :

- * January 25, 2012, for non-US entries, allow for international delivery
 - * February 1, 2012, for US entries





Small Expressions 2012 Call For Entries

MacGregor Pamela MacGregor, Weddding Vessel, First Place, Small Expressions 2011

Exhibit dates: May 10 - August 12, 2012 Long Beach Museum of Art Long Beach, California



Small Expressions is an annual, international, juried exhibition that features high quality, contemporary fiber art. The artworks showcase various fiber techniques such as interlacing, felting, paper, beading, and embellishing done on a small scale. All works are smaller than 15 inches (38 cm) in any direction.

The exhibition is sponsored by the Handweavers Guild of America, Inc., (HGA) and will be juried by Carol Shaw-Sutton, Chair of the Fiber Program at California State University, Long Beach, California.

More about Small Expressions
Small Expressions 2012 Prospectus
http://www.weavespindye.org/pages/?p=convergence2012/Small_Exp_2012.html&loc=8-109-00
Small Expressions 2012 Entry Form PDF file [Small_Expressions_2012
Award winners - Small Expressions 2011

HGA's Small Expressions 2011 remains on view until September 11, 2011, at the Tennessee State Museum, Nashville, Tennessee



Additional fiber arts exhibits will be associated with HGA's Convergence® 2012 Long Beach conference. Calls for entry and prospectus information will be on HGA's website as it becomes available.

July 15-21, 2012, Long Beach, California

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