



## MADISON WEAVERS GUILD

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## MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2016

### 7:00 p.m.

## By-Laws and a Swap and Shop

The January Meeting will consist of a Business Meeting with extensive By-Law Discussion and voting (current copy of by-laws, etc. at the end of the newsletter), Member Show and Tell of Member Work including Pin-Loom Dolls from the December Meeting and a Swap and Shop.

### Swap and Shop (Here's How It Works)

**Bring: Weaving Equipment, Yarn, Books, Magazines, and Fiber-Related Items (e.g. Lucet, Kumihimo stuff, etc.) for sale, swapping or donation.**

**If you wish to sell them, have them pre-marked.**

**Upon arrival, stake out a place on an ancillary table and lay out your goods or if you only have a few things, you can lay them out in front of you. You can have a small name sign for your possessions.**

**At the end of the business meeting and show-and-tell, we will take 5-10 minutes to review our fellow members' items. Then you can shop, swap, or donate as everyone connects. Remember someone's trash is another person's treasure!**

## **Oakwood Village, Westmoreland Room.**

### **Directions:**

Oakwood Village is located on Mineral Point Rd. in Madison. Turn south on Island and take the drive to the left. Go past the Resale Shop and park in the visitor parking. The Westmoreland Room is in the Heritage Oaks Building. There is limited parking in front of the Heritage Oaks building.

## **COMING EVENTS**

2016 Celebrating Our 30th Semiannual

# Fine Art and Craft Sale

Sponsored by the Madison Weavers Guild

Olbrich Botanical Gardens 3330 Atwood Avenue, Madison, WI

Saturday, February 13, 10-4 and Sunday, February 14, 10-4



Pam Riepe,  
Stained Glass



Linda & Bill Sumner,  
Felting



Margit Moses,  
Jewelry



Kristee Weber-Mickler,  
Baskets



Waltraud Brinkmann,  
Fiber

Come and enjoy fabulous and affordable artwork by talented artists.  
**Hope to see you—bring a friend.**

Fiber • Pottery • Painting • Leather • Jewelry • Pen & Ink/Pastel • Stained Glass • Wood • Woodblock Prints • Pastel & Oil • Mixed Media  
Lamps • Wearables • Rugs • Purses • Baskets • Photography • Felt • Paper Art

Gerri Ager	John Dietrich	Charmaine Harbort	Frank Kudla	Aileen Musa	Julie Snyder
Waltraud Brinkmann	Norm Dullum	John & Trudie Hechel	Jean Lange	Linus & Leona Rauls	Bill & Linda Sumner
Pamela Bronk	Janet Falk	Jane Kayser	Maya Madden & Wayne Farra	Rebecca Reed	Geke de Vries
Chris Christenson	Wilfred Fang	Aryn & Courtney Kern	Peter McMasters	Pam Riepe	Karen Watson-Newlin
Audrey Christie	Colette Girard	Paul Klein	Margit Moses	Sue Rowe	Kristee Weber-Mickler
Martin Dargevics	David & Jeneice Haessig	Susan Koehler	Mark Mueller	Kerri Shannon	Hannah Wong
		Char TerBeest Kudla	Mike Murray	Christy Ann Skuban	

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**Woodstock Weavers Guild Workshop.** We have an interesting, upcoming Workshop that we'd like you to know about. Our instructor, Dianne Totten, from the Atlanta, Ga. area, is scheduled to present a 2 day Workshop "Crimp and Cloth" in April 2016. The cost will be \$175 & there is a time constraint to enroll for us to be able to commit to the Workshop.

The Workshop will be held at the McHenry County Farm Bureau in Woodstock, IL near the intersection of US14 and IL47, April 7 and 8. The instructor has a class size limit of 20 & it's unlikely that Woodstock Weavers Guild will be able to fill the Workshop, so we'd like to invite any of your Members to participate if they have an interest.

I've attached a copy of our Prospectus for the Workshop in .pdf format for your use/distribution.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Gail

[gailweaves@gailweaves.us](mailto:gailweaves@gailweaves.us)

**CONVERGENCE 2016.** Good News, Madison Weavers! The Bi-Annual Meeting of the Handweavers Guild of America [HGA] is being held in Milwaukee this summer. It is a one-week convention from July 30 through August 6 being held in Downtown Milwaukee.

For those of you who are not members of the Handweaver's Guild, this is an international conference with very interesting workshops, seminars, lectures, fashion show, exhibits, vendors and other weaving and fiber events for all levels of experience and expertise. You must join the Guild to attend the conference but it will be well worth your while. For more information visit [www.weavespindye.org](http://www.weavespindye.org) Or Google Convergence Milwaukee 2016.

Members who would like to borrow a Guild loom for one of the weaving classes, please contact Geke at [geke.devries@sbcglobal.net](mailto:geke.devries@sbcglobal.net) as soon as possible, preferably within the next week or so.

After that the MWG looms will be offered to the Milwaukee Guild and be used by conference participants unable to bring their own loom.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**KROKBAGD WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS: Please bring the samples you may still have that belong to the person who wove on your loom.**

### **Opportunity to Exhibit**

Last Tuesday Linda Alanan brought a poster and postcards of the Fine Art & Craft Sale at Olbrich Botanical Gardens over to the Pinney Library. The library has a small display case and is offering it to the Madison Weavers Guild to advertise the

art show. This is a great opportunity for the Guild to display examples of handwovens, felted and/or painted work during the weeks before the art sale.

Length of exhibit time is flexible and yet to be decided, definitely through February , maybe longer.

The case is at the front of the Library. It is 23" x 23" and has four adjustable/removable shelves that are 12 to 15" apart.

Kate Lieber is willing to work on the exhibit and could use some help.

If you are interested in participating in this exhibit, please bring a recent sample of your work to the Monday meeting.

Hello Weavers,

While getting ready for the next Beginning Weaving class I looked at my shuttles and noticed that a couple of them are missing. One shuttle was probably used at the color workshop last spring or this past fall. It was a Schacht type boat shuttle with open bottom and with the name Bryson on it. I am also missing a stick shuttle from an earlier event held here at our house. It is made of a dark reddish wood, about 10-12" long. It was a gift from the Midwest Weavers Conference when Rebecca and I helped organize the fashion show. The stick shuttle was not labeled with my name, the boat shuttle shows the name Bryson.

Please look at your shuttles to see if you have a shuttle that does not belong to you. As I use these for the classes it would be great to get them back so students can try out different shuttles before they buy their own.

Thanks for checking your equipment. Hoping they can be found.

Geke de Vries

608-238-3425

<[geke.devries@sbcglobal.net](mailto:geke.devries@sbcglobal.net)>

For show and tell use the Show and Tell Form included, please fill out in advance.

**Area Weaving Stores:**

Fiberwood Studio. 2709 N 92nd, Milwaukee. 414-302-1849

Sievers. Birch Court, Washington Island. 920-847-2264

Apple Hollow Fiber Arts, Sturgeon Bay. 888-324-8302

Mielke's Farm. 2550 Co. Rd 11, Rudolph. 715-344-4104

Bahr Creek Llamas and Fiber Shop. N 1021 Sauk Trail Rd, Cedar Grove. 920-668-6417

Studio S. Hwy A and 89, south of Whitewater. 608-883-2123

Susan's Fiber Shop. N250 Hwy A, Columbus. 888-603-4237

## Classifieds

We will always welcome submissions of articles, reviews of books, shows or exhibits, letters to the editor, classifieds, samples, artwork, etc. to include in future newsletters. If you would like to contribute, please send to Emily Nie, 2500 Bootmaker Dr., Beloit, WI 53511; 608-362-8062; [ricordanza@charter.net](mailto:ricordanza@charter.net). Note the deadline for submissions and ads is **the first of the month**.

## LOOMS FOR SALE

**Looking for a loom?** If you are looking for a loom and found a used one, some of the mentors can help you decide if it is worth buying. In addition to weaving problems, checking out a good used loom could be a difficult thing for a new weaver.

# MADISON WEAVERS GUILD

## INVITATION TO JOIN 2015-16

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The Madison Weavers Guild welcomes, as a member, any person interested in weaving and fiber arts.

Meetings and the monthly programs are the **third Monday of the month**, September through May. Members are sent a monthly newsletter that includes program announcements, reports on general guild activities, notices for interest groups, sales opportunities information, occasional swatches, listing of local yarn and weaving supply stores, and classifieds. Other advantages to members are the membership directory, eligibility for participation in sales, membership rate for workshops, social events, and perhaps most important -- the enthusiasm, support and sharing of fellow members.

Memberships are \$20.00 per year, \$15.00 for new members (first year), and \$5.00 for students. The membership year begins in September. Members enrolled by the October meeting will be included in the membership directory.

Please fill out this form and bring it and your check (**payable to Madison Weavers Guild**) to a meeting or mail them to: Jane Vea, 601 Bordner Drive, Madison WI 53705.

For more information, call Geke de Vries at 608-238-3425.

## MADISON WEAVERS GUILD Membership Form for 2015-16

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>PHONE:</b>	<b>Membership Category</b> <input type="checkbox"/> New \$ 15.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Renew \$ 20.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Student (w/ ID) \$ 5.00
<b>ADDRESS:</b> (include Zip)		
<b>E-MAIL:</b>		
<b>WEBSITE:</b>		

**What interests you about being a member of the guild?**

**Ideas for future programs. What topics would you like to learn more about?**

**Other guild activities you'd be willing to take part in:**

- Holiday Party (help plan and organize)
- Members' show (help plan, organize, execute)
- Newsletter (write, find articles)
- Develop/update website
- Weave a swatch for the newsletter
- Serve on the board
- Demonstrate for local schools
- Give a mini workshop, program at a meeting
- Other (what?)

**Areas of interest:**

- functional items
- pattern drafting
- basketry
- ikat
- tapestry
- rugs
- sales
- spinning
- dyeing
- felting
- double weave
- field trips
- Other (what?)

**Your looms:**

**For new members, how did you find out about the guild?**

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Madison Weavers Guild ~ Show & Tell Projects 2014-15

<b>Project:</b>	<b>Weaver:</b>
<b>space for photo (taken at meeting)</b>	
<b>Weave Structure:</b>	
<b>Source:</b>	
<b>Yarns</b> – indicate fiber content and size (e.g., 10/2 cotton), and colors	
<b>Warp:</b>	
<b>Weft:</b>	
<b>Equipment:</b> ____ - harness loom      ____ - dent reed	
<b>Sett:</b>	
<b>Warp:</b> ____ epi <b>Sleying:</b> _____ (number of threads per dent or pattern)	
<b>Weft:</b> ____ ppi	
<b>Notes:</b>	

## Articles of Incorporation of the Madison Weavers Guild

September 2015

Section 1.1 Name: Madison Weavers Guild, Inc.

443 N. Baldwin

Madison, WI 53703-1703

Section 1.2 This organization is formed under Chapter 181 of the Wisconsin Statutes, repealed and recreated by 1997 Wisconsin Act 79.

Section 1.3 Location: 443 N. Baldwin, City of Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin

Section 1.4 The initial registered agent is Mary Jo Schiavoni. The mailing address of the initial registered agent is 443 N. Baldwin, Madison, WI 53703-1703.

Section 1.5 Purpose: Madison Weavers Guild is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific and educational purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (\*Code\*) Section 501(c)(3), or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Specifically, Madison Weavers Guild is organized and operated to:

- a. Preserve the rich and diverse tradition of the art and craft of weaving.
- b. Encourage excellence, inspire creativity, and enhance the technical development of weavers through educational programs, workshops, networking and other professional development resources.
- c. Educate and stimulate public interest in the art and craft of hand weaving and related fiber arts through exhibitions, demonstrations, and sales.

Section 1.6 This Organization shall have members.

Section 1.7 Distributions:

Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized exclusively for such purposes.

Section 1.8 Incorporator: The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

Mary Jo Schiavoni

443 N. Baldwin

Madison, WI 53703-1703

## By-Laws of the Madison Weavers Guild

September 2015

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Madison Weavers Guild is to educate its members and the community in the art of hand weaving and promote interest, appreciation, and skill in weaving and related fiber arts.

Article 1. Membership

Section 1.1

Membership shall be open to all individuals interested in supporting weaving, who pay dues at established rates, and abide by standing rules at established by the organization. Membership is not limited by race, color, creed, gender, national origin, religious affiliation or sexual orientation.

Section 1.2

From time to time, at the discretion of the Madison Weavers Guild, honorary lifetime membership may be granted to individuals in recognition of exemplary



contributions to the organization. All right and privileges of regular membership shall apply except for voting unless dues are paid.

#### Section 1.3

Each member in good standing, with dues paid for the year, shall be entitled to one vote in all matters before its members. Decisions shall be determined by a majority of those present, unless otherwise specified by the By-Laws, Articles of Incorporation, or Wisconsin statutes.

#### Section 1.4

Monthly meetings shall be held from September through May, weather permitting. Election of board members shall take place at the Annual meeting in April.

#### Section 1.5

Members shall have priority consideration for workshops enrollments.

Membership is required for participation or sale under the Guild's auspices.

### Article 2. Dues

#### Section 2.1

Annual dues for members are for the period September 1 through August 31.

Dues not paid by January 1 shall result in removal from the membership roster.

#### Section 2.2

The schedule of dues shall be determined by the membership and may include discounted rates for students and new members. Dues paid in April or May by new members who started attending in March or later shall extend through the following year.

### Article 3. Board of Directors

#### Section 3.1

The Board of Directors shall have the powers, common to such boards, to carry out the purposes and policies of the Guild, within the limits of these by-laws. It shall fix the hour and place of regular Guild meetings, oversee the year's programming, make recommendations to the Guild, and be subject to the orders of the Guild.

#### Section 3.2

The Board of Directors shall have a minimum of 5 members and a maximum of 12 members.

#### Section 3.3

The board shall present to the membership at the March meeting a slate of candidates for election to the board. The election shall take place at the Annual Meeting in April. The newly elected directors shall take office at the end of the May meeting and shall serve for one year or until their successors take office. Should a seat become vacant, the board may appoint a replacement for the balance of the year. A Director may resign at any time by filing a written resignation with the Chair of the Corporation.

#### Section 3.4

The board shall meet at times and places determined by the board. They may meet electronically (including, but not limited to telephone, email) and vote electronically at board meetings. Directions shall receive five days written notice prior to the date of the meeting. Notice shall identify the time and place of the meeting.

#### Section 3.5

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the current board members, and decisions shall be made by a majority of the board members present. Actions taken when the board meets electronically shall require consent to meet in writing of at least five (5) board members, and a vote in writing of at least three (3) board

members. Each board member shall have one (1) vote irrespective of the number of positions held. Decisions to spend in excess \$300 for a single event (e.g. workshop or guest speaker) shall require a vote of at least five (5) board members. Substantive actions taken by the board shall be reported to the membership.

#### Section 3.6

Standing committees include the Program Committee, the Workshop Committee, the Exhibit Committee, and the Sales Committee. The board may establish other committees as it deems necessary and useful to carry out the purposes of the guild. Membership in the committees shall be organized by the chairs of those committees. There shall be no minimum number of members required for any committee.

#### Section 3.7

Directors shall receive no compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement of out of pocket expenses as approved by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 3.8

Any action required or permitted by the Articles of Incorporation, these By-laws, or any other provision of law to be taken by the Board of Directors at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if one or more written consents, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all the Directors entitled to vote on the action. Action taken in pursuant to written consent shall be effective when the last Director signs the consent or upon the effective date specified in the consent.

#### Section 3.9

Directors shall be entitled to indemnification as Directors to the extent permitted by Wisconsin law.

### Article 4. Officers

#### Section 4.1

The Officers shall consist of: President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chair, Program Chair, Workshop Chair, Historian, Newsletter Editor, Web-site Manager, Exhibit Chair, and Sales Chair. Chairs may be combined with others positions as expedient.

#### Section 4.2

The Officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors. Each officer shall serve a term of one year. An officer may be removed by a two thirds vote of the board at any time.

#### Section 4.3

Officers may, but are not required to be, members of the Board of Directors. All officers shall serve without compensation except that may be reimbursed for actual out of pocket expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of the office.

#### Section 4.4 President

The President shall be responsible for coordination of the activities of the board, preside over meetings of the board and business portions of the meetings of the membership, and oversee the implementation of committee work. The President shall have the power to call special meetings of the organization, sign checks if the Treasurer is unable to do so, and appoint non-elected chairs of committees.

#### Section 4.5 Recording Secretary

The Recording Secretary shall take minutes of all meetings of the organization, keep records of the meeting minutes, document meeting attendance, maintain correspondence, notify local media of guild meetings and events, and provide information as needed to the Newsletter and Web-site chairpersons in a timely

manner.

#### Section 4.6 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have charge of the guild's funds, maintain accounts receivable and payable in a timely manner, and maintain an up-to-date record of the transactions and reconciliation with monthly bank statement. All funds of the guild shall be spent for activities of the guild, in keeping with its purposes. The Treasurer is authorized to make payments for regular activities the guild for events under \$300 and shall present a detailed monthly finance reports to the board. Other expenditures require approval by the board. The Treasure shall submit a year to date financial report to the membership at the Annual Meeting, and any other reports as requested. The fiscal year is September 1 through August 31. The Treasurer shall maintain the Membership roster, submit membership information to the President, Membership Chair, and the Newsletter Editor, and inform Workshop Chair of payments received for workshops. The Treasurer shall file State and Federal tax documents required under 501(c)(3) status.

#### Section 4.7 Membership Chair

The Membership Chair shall encourage and facilitate membership in the guild, welcome new members and visitors and provide them and prospective members with information about the guild and make follow-up contact. Welcome packets for new members shall include Membership Roster and a copy of the bylaws.

#### Section 4.8 Program Chairperson

The Program Chair shall head the committee that plans and organizes monthly programs for the guild meetings. The Program and Workshop committees shall create an annual survey of member interest to guide their program planning. The Program Chair shall keep the Newsletter Editor and Web-site Manager informed of the program calendar and any updates, and shall perform duties of the President during his or her absence or inability to act.

#### Section 4.9 Workshop Chairperson

The Workshop Chair shall head the committee that plans and organizes the workshops about weaving and other related fiber arts for the year and works with the Program Chair to survey member interest each year.

There shall be at least two workshops annually. The Workshop Chair shall submit a calendar of upcoming events and updates to the Newsletter Editor and Web-site Manager.

#### Section 4.10 Historian

The Historian shall maintain official and unofficial documents, papers, samples, historical records of the organization and shall provide and disseminate said documents as appropriate.

#### Section 4.11 Exhibit Chair

The Exhibit Chair shall plan and organize an annual or bi-annual exhibit of members' work at a local venue. The Exhibit Chair shall inform membership of other invitations for opportunities to exhibit or demonstrate weaving, and shall head the committee for seeing it organized if members wish to participate.

#### Section 4.12 Sales Chair

The Sales Chair shall coordinate participation events such as the Art Fair on the Square and may plan and organize Fine Arts and Crafts Sales sponsored by the Guild at local venues. The Sales Chair shall announce upcoming events to the membership.

#### Section 4.13 Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter Editor shall construct and edit a monthly digital newsletter

including upcoming programs and events, general information, and membership news during the months of September through May. The Newsletter Editor shall send out other information as necessary.

#### Section 4.14 Web-site Manager

The Web-site Manager shall maintain and update the Guild's web presence, providing information on the Guild for both members and others interested in the Guild.

#### Article 5. Amendments

these By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any regular meeting of the organization by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing at either the previous regular meeting or to each member not less than fourteen (14) days before the meeting. All Guild members shall be notified that an amendment is on the agenda.