

## Wisconsin Handweavers, Inc. Presents: Open Warp Tapestry Technique with Robbie LeFleur

Wednesday-Friday, November 5-7, 2025
9am-4pm At Mount Carmel Lutheran Church
8424 W. Center Street, Milwaukee



Robbie LaFleur is an accomplished weaver and instructor from

Minneapolis. She learned to weave at Valdres Husflidsskole, Norway, and was awarded a gold medal in weaving from Vesterheim Norwegian American Museum. Robbie publishes the digital publication, the "Norwegian Textile Letter."

LaFleur has done extensive study of Frida Hansen, a 20th Century Norwegian tapestry weaver who innovated a tapestry technique which combined open warps with meticulous woven areas to create dramatic contrasts of color and shadow. In this workshop, participants will learn how to choose appropriate yarns and how to adapt designs for the open warp technique. Sample patterns will be provided, or you can weave a design of your own.

Skill Level: The workshop is appropriate for weavers with some tapestry experience. Equipment Needed: Warped tapestry loom and yarn. Details for materials and set-up will be provided prior to class. Participants will also need 8.5 x11 inch or larger paper, tracing paper, pencil, tape, and markers or colored pencils.

The cost for the three-day workshop is \$300.00. An additional \$15.00 materials fee will be paid directly to Robbie on the first day of the workshop. Workshop registration closes September 30.

Registrations can be completed on the WHI website: www.wihandweavers.org.

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Fee: \$300.00 for WHI Members, \$ 330.00 for non-Members. Send completed form and Payment to: Paula Holman, 512 N. 50<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee, WI 53208 Registrations close September 30, 2025 or when the class maximum of 10 participants is reached.