

Open Sheds

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What: Fiber Study Group – Crochet Brush Up

When: Tuesday June 11 and June 25, 2019,
6:30 p.m.

Where: Cooper House / Central Presbyterian Church

We will meet on the front porch of Cooper House and be led to where we'll meet in the church education building. If you plan to attend, email the guild no later than the morning of the Monday before each meeting so we will know you're coming. If no one plans to come, the meeting will be cancelled.

The *Fiber Study Group* is for people of all skill levels. In June we will be preparing for the July 20 *Tapestry Crochet Workshop* by brushing up on our crochet skills. Absolute beginners are also welcome to learn a few crochet stitches. Absolute beginners will need a size H or size I crochet hook and firm, worsted weight, light colored yarn.

Everyone is welcome to come when your schedule permits. All guild members are welcome, whatever your fiber activity. Bring your show and tell. If you want to work on a project or talk about fiber, join us. Bring your fiber questions! Suggest a topic for future meetings.

We now have a private facebook group for those who attend this group. Contact the guild to be invited to join. Questions: contact the Guild.

What: Tapestry Crochet Workshop

When: Saturday July 20, 2019, 10:00-2:00

Where: Bailey Cove Library
1411 Weatherly Plaza SE, Huntsville

You must have basic crochet skills ("magic loop" and single crochet) to attend this class. If you don't know how to crochet, or need to learn the "magic loop," attend one of the *Fiber Study Groups* in June. You will be working with multiple yarns to create a coaster or pot holder. You will learn about tension, how to change colors and how to carry extra yarns. You will need two skeins of *I Love This Cotton* in contrasting colors, a stitch marker, a size E or F crochet hook, and two containers with lids that have a hole punched in them such as deli soup containers, cottage cheese containers or yogurt containers (1.5 to 2 pound size) for the yarn. Yarns should be wrapped into a ball before class.

Come to enjoy the company if you are not interested in crochet. You are welcome to bring your latest project and enjoy being with us.

Feel free to bring a sack lunch. There is no microwave or refrigerator available.

Guild Contact Information

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Contacting the Huntsville Fiber Guild

The website is www.HuntsvilleFiberArts.com. The telephone number is **256-384-5515**. Please leave a message, and an officer will reply to your message. (If you don't leave a message, we'll assume you are a telemarketer, and won't attempt to return the call.) So, in this newsletter, when you see, "... *contact the Guild* ...," you have the option of sending an e-mail to **HsvFiber @gmail.com** or using your telephone. Find the Huntsville Fiber Guild on Facebook and Revelry.

Membership in the Huntsville Fiber Guild

The Huntsville Fiber Guild membership year is October 1 – September 30. Dues are delinquent after September 30.

Both *Personal* and *Commercial Memberships* are available in the Huntsville Fiber Guild. The individual membership fee is \$20 per year, and the family membership fee is \$30 per year. We are pleased to give members over 80 years of age free membership. Individual and family members are entitled to one brief classified advertisement up to 40 words long in each monthly newsletter. This is provided as a service to individual and family members who want to sell or buy fiber equipment and supplies for their personal use. Each classified advertisement is subject to approval by the newsletter editor.

The *commercial membership* fee is \$50 per year. Commercial members are entitled to one quarter page advertisement 3.5" wide x 4.5" long or 7.5" wide x 2.25" long in each monthly newsletter. The advertisement must be submitted "camera ready" in a format which can be included in a Word document. Each commercial advertisement is subject to approval by the newsletter editor.

Send the attached *Membership Form* and *Fiber Arts Interest Survey*, along with the membership fee. Payment can be made with Paypal, for a small convenience fee, by sending email to **Hsvfiber @gmail.com**; or send check payable to Huntsville Fiber Guild to P.O. Box 1562 Huntsville, AL 35807. Contact the guild if you cannot remember whether or not you have paid your dues. Let us know if you do not want your address, phone or e-mail shared in the directory which will be sent to members only.

Benefits of HFG Membership

The benefits of HFG membership include: yarn and equipment discounts for current guild members with local vendors, discounts on fees for classes, early class sign-up window, access to HFG resources such as books and equipment, access to Handweavers Guild of America (<http://www.weavespindye.org>) video and kit rental through the HFG membership in HGA, discounts on magazine subscriptions from Interweave Press (usually offered in time for holiday gift giving), not to mention the friendship and mentoring available at every meeting.

HFG Privacy Policy

The Huntsville Fiber Guild is committed to protecting the privacy of our members online. We also have the policy of not posting personal information on our website or facebook page. The board agreed that we should ask permission at each meeting before taking pictures. No pictures will be posted on line with individuals identified or "tagged." We ask your cooperation in not "tagging" people in our pictures.

Constitution Village Lacers General Meeting

Constitution Village Lacers meets the second Monday of the month at Asbury United Methodist Church, 980 Hughes Road Madison, Alabama. We meet in room number H216. The next meeting will be on June 10. We'll meet to work 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Our group is dedicated to furthering knowledge and practice of bobbin lace. Visitors are welcome. Come sit with an experienced lacemaker and learn how bobbin lace is made.

For directions and additional information on our group, please email [worleysu @gmail.com](mailto:worleysu@gmail.com).

Field Trip Suggestions?

Do you have a suggestion for a field trip this group would enjoy? Contact the Guild to let us know.

McVille Manor Event

On Saturday June 15, 2019, 10:00 – 3:00, there will be an “old time craft day.” McVille Manor is located at 356 McVille Lane, Huntsville. They particularly want a spinner and a weaver. Chairs and tables will be provided. If you’re outside, there will be shelter from the sun. If you’re willing to demonstrate, contact McVilleManor@gmail.com. If you / your equipment need to be inside, talk to them. Lunch will be provided. Also contact the guild so we’ll know someone is helping them.

Learning Opportunities in the Community

Does anyone know of other non-profit spinning, weaving, knitting and crocheting groups that meet in the Huntsville area? If so, send the details to **HsvFiber@gmail.com**. The Huntsville Fiber Guild wants to spread the word about fiber activities in the community.

Please let us know if you’re teaching any kind of fiber class or workshop, or know of other learning opportunities in the community. Non-profit classes, workshops and conferences will be advertised in the newsletter as a service to members. For-profit classes or workshops will be advertised for commercial members.

As a service to the community, local fiber businesses that are not commercial members may advertise one class in the newsletter per year (subject to approval by guild). Local fiber businesses are welcome to post any of their classes/workshops on the guild’s facebook page or ravelry group. (If you do not know how, contact the guild to post it for you.)

Crochet for Beginners

If you’re interested in learning to crochet, classes can be arranged to suit your schedule. There will be four two-hour classes, with homework required. The classes can meet at Bailey Cove Library, Eleanor Murphy Library or the Main Library. Let me know the days and times, as well as the place, that are best for you. I’ll advertise the classes, and others may join the group. The maximum number in a class is 6 adults and youth ages 14 and up. Email WeavingBasics@yahoo.com.

Shuttle Tatting

Tatting is a form of lace making that has undergone cyclic interest since the early-mid 1800s. Currently in a resurgence, this fiber art has the advantages of being extremely transportable and compact, minimal cost, reasonably quick to produce, and capable of a broad range of designs from jewelry to doilies to clothing accessories.

You can find tatters each Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Bailey Cove Public Library. We’re always ready to teach new tatters, share our favorite tatting patterns, swap threads, and foster the art. We hope you will join us and tell your fiber art friends about our gatherings.

For more information, email Mike.Lyon@comcast.net.

Chain Reaction Crochet Group

Chain Reaction is a local chapter of the Crochet Guild of America (CGOA). The local group meets the second Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m., at Panera Bread in Bridge Street Town Center. The next meeting is June 12. We can be found on facebook as *Chain Reaction*. At meetings we talk about crochet, patterns and yarn and share what we are making.

For more information (and to confirm this meeting date), email AnnsCrochetGifts@gmail.com. See <https://www.crochet.org/> for more information on the national organization.

Peinhardt Living History Farm Workshop News

The *Basket Study Group* meets on the second Sunday of the month, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., February – September, except no May meeting. The *Tatting Study Group* meets on the third Saturday of the month, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., February – September, except no May meeting. The *Fiber Workshops* meet on the fourth Saturday of the month, starting at 9:00 a.m., February – August, except the third Saturday in May.

On Saturday June 22, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., the *Fiber Workshop* will be *Triangle Loom Weaving or Bias Rectangle Loom Weaving*. The supply fee is \$6 or less, depending on your project. See **PeinhardtLHF.tumblr.com** for details.

The other *Fiber Workshops* will be July 27, 9:00 a.m., *Make a “Navajo Knot” Mug Rug*; August 24, *Natural Dyes – The Color Green*. See **PeinhardtLHF.tumblr.com** for more information and location in Cullman and driving directions.

Some 2019 Fiber Festival Dates

World Wide Knit in Public Day is June 8. See Facebook:ThatSparkleStudio for details of the WWKIP day at Lowe Mill Arts and Entertainment.

Spinning in Public Day is September 21.

Fiber in the Boro will be November 3. See FiberintheBoro.com for details.

Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday June 25, 5:00 p.m. is the deadline for contributions to the July newsletter. Send contributions by email to HsvFiber@gmail.com.

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Huntsville Fiber Guild and the Huntsville Madison County Public Libraries

These beginner fiber workshops are open to adults and youth 14 and up. See WeavingBasics.tumblr.com for details or email WeavingBasics@yahoo.com.

“Navajo Knot” Rag Mug Rug @ Murphy	Thu June 6, 2019, 10:00– 12:00
Beaded Lanyard for Badge or Glasses @ Main	Tue June 11, 2019, 6:30 – 8:30
Basket on Gourd Bowl @ Madison	Fri June 28, 2019, 9:00–3:00
Introduction to Weaving with the Inkle Loom @ Main	Tue July 9, 2019, 6:30-8:30
Beaded Lanyard for Badge or Glasses @ Murphy	Thu July 11, 2019, 10:00-12:00
Make a Grandmother's Flower Garden Quilt block With English Paper Piecing @ Madison	Fri July 26, 2019, 10:00-12:00
Beyond Beginning Crochet @ Murphy	Thu Aug 1, 2019, 10:00-12:00
Origami Tote Bag @ Main	Tue Aug 13, 2019, 6:30-8:30
Weave a Melon/Egg Basket @ Madison	Fri Aug 23, 2019, 9:00-3:00
Thread Catcher" Bag @ Murphy	Thu Sep 5, 2019, 10:00-12:00
Needle Felting @ Main	Tue Sep 10, 2019, 6:30-8:30

Huntsville Madison County Senior Center

Basket Classes

Tuesdays 11:30

Ceramics Room

256-880-7080

Weaving Classes

Mondays 9:00-1:00

Wednesdays 9:00-11:30

Weaving Room

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Upcoming Huntsville Fiber Guild Events

Tue June 11, 6:30 Fiber Study Group, Cooper House / Central Presbyterian Church

Tue June 25 Deadline for July newsletter

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Tue July 9, 6:30 Fiber Study Group, Cooper House / Central Presbyterian Church

Sat July 20, 10-2 Tapestry Crochet Workshop, Bailey Cove Library

Tue July 23, 6:30 Fiber Study Group, Cooper House / Central Presbyterian Church

Tue Aug 13, 6:30 Fiber Study Group, Cooper House / Central Presbyterian Church

Sat Aug 24, 9-1 Natural Dyes – The Color Green, Peinhardt Living History Farm

Tue Aug 27, 6:30 Fiber Study Group, Cooper House / Central Presbyterian Church

Sun Sep 1 Decorate Guild display case at the Main Library