

Open Sheds

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Zoom Meetings

Huntsville Fiber Guild Zoom meetings are usually scheduled every other Thursday at 6:30 p.m. The next meetings will be March 11 and March 25 with show-and-tell. What have you been doing in the past weeks?

Many thanks to the host, Teresa from *Hook a Frog* in Madison. All are welcome to join the meetings, bring show-and-tell, and bring something to work on.

2021 Workshop Suggestions Welcome

Which workshop instructors/topics would you like us to have in 2021? The instructors can be national or local. I'm a member of two other fiber guilds that are presenting workshops in Zoom. Their workshops have been a mix of their local members presenting and outside instructors.

We need ideas for challenges, contests and learning activities that will make us feel like a group. Contact the Guild with your ideas.

Alchemy Farms and Plants

Marguerite McClintock of *Alchemy Farms and Plants* has invited the guild to see her sheep being sheared on April 9 and participate in an auction for raw fleeces. She has also invited us to have a guild event on April 10 in the morning.

There will be 23 sheep plus 18 Gulf Coast sheep being sheared.

Alchemy Farms and Plants is a teaching farm and part of *Artisans Cove*, across from Hampton Cove Schools.

For more information, see *Artisans Cove* or *The Market @ Artisans Cove* on Facebook.

Our Local Yarn Stores

We are fortunate to have several local yarn stores to choose from. Here they are listed alphabetically

Fiber Art Works, Huntsville, AL, see <http://www.fiberartwork.com/> and <https://www.facebook.com/fiberartworkhuntsville>.

Hook a Frog Fiber and Fun, Madison, AL, see <https://www.hookafrog.net/>.

Thanks to *Hook a Frog* for hosting our video meetings.

Sparkle Studio at Lowe Mill, Huntsville, AL, see <https://thatsparklestudio.com/> and <https://www.facebook.com/ThatSparkleStudio>. *Sparkle Studio* is a HFG business member.

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Yarn Boutique, Decatur AL, see <https://yarn-boutique-of-decatur.business.site/> and <https://www.facebook.com/YarnboutiqueofDecatur/>.

Yarn Fish is the newest commercial member. The owner has just moved to the area, and is still unpacking. See YarnFishga@gmail.com.

Membership Dues Update – Dues Waived for 2020-2021 Membership Year

Normally, we would be asking for your membership fee for the 2020-2021 membership year. The board has decided to not charge membership dues this year due to the pandemic. If you would like to join the guild or remain a member, see the end of the email containing this attachment. Click the “Fill Out Form” button at the end of this email.

Why bother with a *Membership Form* when there is no fee due? We want to know how to reach you, what fiber arts you enjoy and hear your program/workshop suggestions.

The Huntsville Fiber Guild membership year is October 1 – September 30. Both *Personal* and *Commercial Memberships* are available in the Huntsville Fiber Guild. 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.

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.

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, not to mention the friendship and mentoring available at every meeting.

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.

Chattahoochee Handweavers Guild Virtual Workshops

The fiber guild in Atlanta is hosting virtual workshops. **Exploring 4-Shaft Traditional Overshot** presented by Susan Conover will be March 6-7, 2021. **Weaving in a Parallel Universe** presented by Linda Hartshorn April 17-19. See <https://chgweavers.org/workshops/> for details on this and other workshops they are planning.

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.

Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday March 23, 5:00 p.m. is the deadline for contributions to the April newsletter. Send contributions by email to HsvFiber@gmail.com.

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