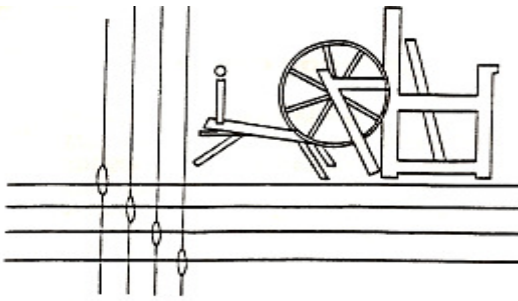


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Sunday, JANUARY 24 WINTER PICNIC
TIME: 4:30pm
Location: Home of Helen Howard 374-2914
3015 Riverview Drive

Helen has volunteered to host our January Winter Picnic. Please bring a main dish, a salad or a dessert and a white elephant gift exchange, (Something from your collection of fiber/book/tools that you think other weavers/spinners might be able to use). **Bring a fiber friend & show and tell.**



GUILD MEETING WED., FEBRUARY 3
TIME: 6:00pm for Soup & snacks
PROGRAM: 7:00pm by Alice Stickney
Location: Alice Stickney's home in Ester, 479-3425
Directions will be in the Meeting reminder email.

ALICE'S Kyrgyzstan Travels - Fibers & Felting
Kyrgyzstan is a Central Asian country with a long history of nomadic people living in yurts before it became part of the Russian Empire and then the Soviet Union. Felt making has been part of the Kyrgyz tradition for centuries. Alice Stickney was able to spend a few weeks in Kyrgyzstan this past summer as part of a Habitat for Humanity trip and spent a few days visiting shepherd families in their yurts, participating in a felt making demonstration, and also in a yurt construction workshop. She will show slides of her travels and also some of the specifics of the Kyrgyz felt making process.

Spinning & Knitting Activities All are welcome
SPINNING: 1pm – 5pm, Saturday, January 23,
Location: A Weaver's Yarn, 1810 Alaska Way 374-1995

KNITTING: 6:30pm, Saturday, January 23
Location: Devta Khalsa's home. For more info call Moxie Pender 479-8443 or try Ravelry.com

SPINNING: 1pm to 5pm, Saturday, February 20th
Location: Gail Mayo's home on Hay Way 479-2954

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Isn't it wonderful how the return of the sun to our lives in Fairbanks brings renewed energy as we look forward to spring and summer projects. As we make plans for the coming year, think about how you can contribute and be more active in our Guild.

- Can you serve in some capacity on our Board?
- Can you help with summer classes by picking up things at the Food Bank?
- Can you weave something for the Guild to sell, perhaps with end of a warp?
- Can you help warp looms for our summer classes?

The involvement of our members enables the Guild to function as a contributing part of our community. Your active participation can help us continue our success in promoting the fiber arts in Fairbanks.

This summer Penny is hoping to have some looper rugs and other items at the Guild to sell to those who come through the Weaving Studio. If you have some time, please come down to the Guild to weave a looper rug on looms that are already warped. We have a bountiful supply of loopers in many colors to challenge your creativity.

Come join us for the food, fun and sharing at our annual winter picnic this month. We appreciate Helen's generosity in hosting the event this year.

I wish each of you a year filled with successful weaving, spinning, dyeing, gardening, and fiber arts projects.
Jodi Gouwens, President

ATTENTION FIBER PRODUCERS & VENDORS FEBRUARY 23 - 25 SARE CONFERENCE:

The SARE (**Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education**) Conference in Anchorage begins **February 23-25** with sessions focusing on fiber farming. On February 23, Carrie Hull from the Natural Fiber Producers Co-Op will give a talk on creating the best fiber products possible, from pasture to product.

The first day of the conference (February 24), speaker sessions will focus on fiber, including producer talks and information on the new mill in North Pole. Day 2 of the conference (February 25) will be a full-day special session to discuss qiviut.

Registration is online--register before February 9th to avoid a late fee. **Vendor tables are also available for \$50 for the three days of the conference.**

Here's the [link](#) to the conference website where people can go to register and find out more information.

Thanks! Avril E. (Weirs) Freeman 907-474-5672
ARC Education and Outreach Coordinator
University of Alaska Fairbanks

THE ART SCENE

FAIRBANKS ARTS ASSOCIATION

JANUARY Exhibition Northern Portraiture Exhibition
January 8 through 29

PATTERNS OF INFLUENCE: 'VESSELS'

February 5- 27, 2016 Juror: Barbara Lavalee

Lecture: Monday, February 1, 7pm Blue Room

RECEPTION: Friday, February 5TH, 5 – 7pm

ART EXHIBITION ENTRY DEADLINE:

Friday & Saturday, January 29, 30 Time: 12 – 6pm

Sunday, January 31, 2016 Time: 12 – 5pm

INTERIOR ARTISAN EXHIBITION APRIL 1 – 30

Opening Reception: April 1st. 2016

Deadline for entry: March 26,27 Time: 12 – 6pm

Sunday, March 28 Time: 12 – 5pm

Prospectus for both exhibitions on the FAA

website: www.fairbanksarts.org

WORKSHOP UPDATES

Saturday, FEBRUARY 6 SILK ECO PRINTING with ANN WOOD

This workshop will demonstrate the method of printing leaves & plants on wool or silk.

TIME: 10-3pm

Max students: 8

Fee: \$75, includes material included in the fee.

Materials needed:

apron or wear old clothes that may get wet, plastic bag, old scissors/garden shear for cutting plant material, various leaves if you have

any (not necessary, I will have plenty), string & money for lunch to buy a quick lunch nearby.

For this workshop register by calling the Weaving Studio: 452-7737

Saturday MARCH 19 Nuno Felting with Ann Wood O'Brien

Nuno felting is a technique where wool is a laminated (felted) to silk gauze fabric. This gives you thin felt that drapes beautifully. The original method takes hours of hand-rolling to achieve a well felted piece. This dryer method is much less laborious and faster. We will make a simple scarf using merino wool and silk gauze fabric
Materials needed: lunch or \$\$ to get lunch in the area, small spray bottle, regular sized bath towel (not huge), 15" narrow fabric strips to tie bundle while in dryer, (8 - 10 is enough, strips of an old tee shirt work well)

Date of class: SATURDAY, MARCH 19

Hours for class: 10-5

Fee: \$80 incl. materials Maximum students: 6

To Register for workshop call: Ann at 455-4625 or this workshop



Spring Semester 2016 WEAVING CLASSES ART 127: INTRO WEAVING CLASS begins TUESDAY January 19 at 6:30pm

CLASS SCHEDULE: Tuesday/Thursday evening

HOURS: 6:30 to 9:00pm

LOCATION: Weaving Studio, Rm 219,
Lathrop Bldg. 516 2nd Ave.

STUDIO PHONE: 452-7737

INSTRUCTOR: Danna Wakefield, 378-3324

DESCRIPTION: Fundamentals of weaving taught through basic techniques and processes for Tapestry and woven structures on four harness looms.

ART 227: FABRIC DESIGN: YOUR CHOICE begins Tuesday, January 19

DATES: Tuesday & Thursday

HOURS: 5:30 to 8:00pm

LOCATION: Weaving Studio, 452-7737, Rm219,

Instructor: Danna Wakefield, 378-3324

ART 227: COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course explores loom controlled weaves.

Students will further refine techniques and theory developed in ART 127: Introductory Weaving.

UAF COURSE CATALOG usually repeats what was in the catalog from the last semester despite the fact that new course descriptions are sent in. So for University students taking the class for credit, that is OK unless they have already had that class. It can be changed with some paper work.

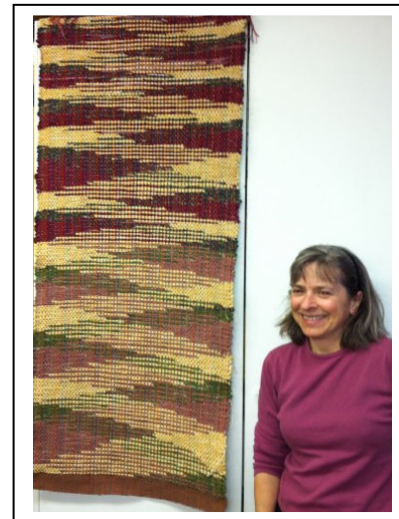
For HOBBY WEAVERS the weaving structures for the advanced class can be designed or combined to cover what you are interested. The UAF catalog lists LACES & I have it listed as DOUBLE WEAVE. Look at the descriptions, design your own class and let me know.

Studio Activities

SUMMER RUG PROJECT

as a Fund Raiser for the guild. Several rug looms are warped and just waiting for anyone with some spare time to come in and weave off a rug, either for yourself or for sale for the guild. We can hang the rugs in the hallway for either local or tourist sales or as silent auction items at the fair. Loopers are available to design your

own rug for a small donation or weave prepared loopers all already looped, just waiting to be woven. Here is Cathy's rug she designed with fabric strips from a garage sale. With a bit of sewing and a design plan, she created this diamond rug. Call the Weaving Studio to sign up for weaving a rug, either for yourself and or for the guild.



OUR WEBSITE WILL BE MOVING TO A NEW SERVER SOON, SO IF YOU CAN NOT FIND IT, KEEP LOOKING FOR THE WEBSITE RETURN.