



# Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild

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## SEPTEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup> SATURDAY 10am DYE GARDEN HARVEST & DYE DAY

HARVEST LOCATION Georgeson Botanical Gardens

TIME: 10am to noon at the Garden

DYE LOCATION: A Weavers Yarn, 1810 Alaska Way

DYE WOKSHOP: Noon to 5pm

For directions, call 374-1995

MORE INFORMATION: Call Gail Mayo, 479-2954 or Kate Hedstrom, 590-1420c

**What to bring:** gardening gloves and small tools if you wish large buckets or bags to hold the harvest, a snack or lunch, skeins of yarn or other fibers ready to dye.

**WHAT TO BRING:** Mordant fibers, ready to go into the dye pots. The only dye not needing a mordant is indigo,

**Yarn:** best luck with protein fibers such as wool, silk, alpaca, mohair, etc. Bast fibers such as cotton and rayon can also be dyed, but require a different mordant process.

**PLEASE try to pre-mordant your wool yarns at home.** See Mordant instruction on the guild website:

[www.fairbanksweavers.org](http://www.fairbanksweavers.org)

DYE WORKSHOP Location:

A Weaver's Yarn, 1810 Alaska Way

Call 374-1994 for directions.

## Saturday, SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> STUDIO OPEN HOUSE

12pm to 5pm

AT THE WEAVING STUDIO, ROOM 219

LATHROP BLDG. 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

with demonstrations in Spinning, Weaving, Warping,

'B, B & B' Baskets to bid on

Stash Reduction Sale items from members,

Books, Magazine & Fiber Sales

**Activities to experience:** Tablet weaving, triangle loom or a bicycle loom, bobbin Lace, double weave on rigid heddle loom, the electronic Toika loom or try a small bead loom,

Bring a project to work on or to demonstrate.

Invite your friends & neighbors to come see what the Fairbanks Weavers' & Spinners' Guild has to offer.

Check the website for workshop updates

[www.fairbanksweavers.org](http://www.fairbanksweavers.org)

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BOARD MEETING: Mon., SEPTEMBER 11

Location: Weaving Studio, Rm 219

Lathrop Bldg. 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue

Time: 5:45pm 452-7737

## GUILD MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

**Guild meeting for September** will be the **Open House on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>** with a spinning bee and presenting demonstrations on a variety of weaving techniques. If you will be demonstrating a spin, knit or weaving technique, please call the Weaving Studio, 452-7737 Sherrill Peterson will demonstrate Bobbin Lace.

If you have time before this event, please come weave a looper rug to sell during the Open House or for the Festival of Fibers. Bring any fibers that you might want to sell or give away.

**The October meeting** will not be on the regular scheduled Wednesday evening since many of the members will be planning and participating in the **FESTIVAL OF FIBERS ON OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup> and the fiber workshops on Sunday, OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>.**

The Guild meeting is scheduled for **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10 with a Lecture presentation on CRIMP CLOTH OVERVIEW**, followed with two half day workshops (one on warp crimp and the second day on weft crimp) for Wednesday and Thursday evening . See workshops for more information.

## NATIONAL SPINNING & WEAVING WEEK OCTOBER 2 - 8

We will celebrate National Spinning & Weaving Week during the first week of October participating in the Festival of Fibers followed by a Fiber Workshop with DIANNE TOTTEN on Crimp Cloth.

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:** Andrew Brennen and Stephanie Ichert-Bond. Thanks to all the renewing members. Members that are delinquent will receive an email reminder.

Your support is very important as we celebrate 65 years as a guild, founded in 1952 by 9 progressive thinking spinners and weavers.



**CELEBRATE 65 YEARS  
SPRING into SPINNING AND GET  
INSPIRED ABOUT WEAVING**

## Officers & Board members for 2017 – 2018

### Looking for a volunteer to be president

President	OPEN	Still looking for a president
Vice President	Maureen English	488-4784
Secretary	Pat Costello	457-7033
Treasurer	Terry Roberts	455-8450
Historian	Shawna Laderach	490-6004
Board of Directors:		
	Barbara Ebbesson	479-0440
	Kate Hedstrom	590-1420c
	Sherrill Peterson	218-626-5435
	Becky Hammond	699-7121
Librarian	Barbara Ebbesson	479-0440
Hospitality	OPEN	
Newsletter	Penny Wakefield	457-4124
Fair Supervisor	Moxie Pender	479-8443
Workshops	Penny Wakefield	457-4124
Dye Garden	Gail Mayo	479-2954
Spinning Group:	Alice Stickney	479-3425

## CONGRATULATIONS TO 2017 WINNERS at the TANANA VALLEY FAIR

### Division 10 Weaving & Spinning

#### GRAND CHAMPION JUNIOR CHAMPION

Wendy Elsner Else Mayo

for a hand-woven dress for a felted doll

JUNIOR'S CHOICE PEOPLE'S CHOICE:

Elsa Mayo Felted Doll Barbara Ebbesson Raven

#### YOUTH Class Champions:

AA: Lilli Bond, woven purse

BB: C. Christian, rainbow rug

CC: Lilli Bond, dream-catcher

EE: Elsa Willsrud, green-white skein

FF: Else Mayo, felted wood elf

GG: C. Christian, wire basket

HH: Logan Mendez, batik

II: Else Mayo, scarf

#### ADULT Class Champions

A: Wendy Elsner, cotton dress

B: Wendy Elsner, curtain fabric

C: Jasmine Johnson-Kennedy, striped towels

C: Shawna Laderack, rug

E: Patricia Reynolds, earth bowl

F: Patricia Reynolds, wizard finger puppet

H: Michele Griffin, wedding hankie torchon lace

I: Alice Stickney, qiviut blend cowl

M: Kate Hedstrom, cotton yarn

O: Karen Malone, color on fabric collection

P: Karen Malone, eco-dyed scarf

**Qiviut Scarf: Peggy CARLSON Qiviut/cashmere/silk  
skein: Moxie Pender**

**Qiviut fiber: Terry Roberts**

### THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

TO MOXIE, ROB, KATE as Fair Superintendents,

To the JUDGES and all BOOTH ATTENDANTS

To all the volunteers that helped set up the display.

To members who submitted entries.

To KATE HEDSTROM for dyeing the qiviut skein  
and knitting the raffle scarf.

To LARS (Large Animal Research Station) for donating the  
qiviut yarn for the knitted scarf and the qiviut fiber.

To Vivian Osborne for a blended skein from  
the new spinning mill as a second raffle item.

To many guild members for selling 681 raffle tickets

Thanks to everyone for Silent Auction donations

To the Fair Entry Pick-up day volunteers

See you all next year.

# ACTIVITY UPDATES

**Aug. 31 Thurs. 6:30pm Art 127: Begin Weaving Class**  
**Sept. 1 Fri, 4 to 8pm First Friday at Calypso Farm**  
**Sept. 2 Sat. 10am- 12 DYE GARDEN Harvest**  
**Sept. 2 Sat. 12- 5pm DYE Workshop, Weavers Yarn**  
**Sept. 5 Tues. 5:30pm Art 227: Woven Fabric Design**  
**Sept. 16 Sat. 12 – 5pm STUDIO OPEN HOUSE**  
**Sept. 23 Sat. 10 – 3pm Eco Printing Ann Wood O'brien**  
**Oct. 7 Sat. 9am – 6pm 2<sup>nd</sup> FESTIVAL OF FIBERS**  
**Oct. 7 Sat. 10 to 6pm Spinning Bee & demonstrations**  
**Oct. 8 Sun. Workshops in various locations.**  
**Oct. 10 Tues. 6:30pm Lecture by Dianne Totten**  
**Oct. 11 & 12 Wed. Thurs. 5:30pm Workshop on Crimp Cloth**

### ART 127: INTRO TO WEAVING COURSE

begins Thurs. AUGUST 31, 6:30pm

### ART 227: WOVEN FABRIC DESIGN: ANY TOPIC

TIME: 5:30pm, begins TUESDAY SEPT. 5<sup>th</sup>

Twills, Block & Units, Rugs, Laces, Double Weave,  
Fashion Fabric for Garments, Surface Design

LOCATION: Weaving Studio, 452-7737, Rm 219,  
Lathrop Bldg, 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

INSTRUCTOR: Penny Wakefield, 378-3324

**Need 3 credits, sign up at UAF for an Art or Humanities  
credit: pay \$75 fee to UAF to register for credit**

### ANOTHER OPTION for

Begin any time you can find the time

### 6 WEEK DAYTIME WEAVING COURSE

DATES: Find the time and come and learn to weave

Tues/Thurs. 2:30pm to 9pm Time is adjustable

FEE: \$175 includes materials for two warps.

REGISTER: CALL 452-7737

### ECO PRINTING WITH ANN WOOD O'BRIEN SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 10 to 3pm

A popular workshop demonstrating a method of printing  
leaves & plants on wool or silk with beautiful results.

Time: 10-3pm Max students: 8

Location: Weaving Studio, Rm 219

Fee: \$75, includes all materials

What to bring: an old apron or wear old clothes that may get  
wet, a plastic bag, old scissors/garden shears for cutting  
plant material, various leaves if you have any you want to  
try. Bring some string & a lunch or lunch money.

To Register: call the Weaving Studio 452-7737 or call Ann  
Wood O'Brien 455-4625 or 978-6468 or email  
fairbanksweavers@gmail.com

### OCTOBER 10, 11 & 12 (Tues, Wed. & Thurs. evenings) WORKSHOP WITH DIANNE TROTTON WEAVING

'Hands on' Crimp cloth WORKSHOP for fabric & scarves.

Dianne's website: <https://diannetottenhandwovens.com>

Tues. evening, 6:30pm Seminar Crimp cloth

Wed. evening: 1/2 day Workshop on warp crimp

Thurs. evening on weft Crimp Cloth.

Fee: approx \$100 to 125 depending on

number of participants, see description page 4

If you are interested: Please express your

interest by calling 452-7737 or Email:

**Anchorage October 7 to 9 - 3 day**

**Workshop on Totten's Crimp & create**

**November 4 & 5 A CELIA QUINN 2 day WORKSHOP ON**

**SILK Spinning-Dyeing-Reeling Silk Workshop**



# FESTIVAL OF FIBERS

## Fairbanks Fiber Festival October 7 & 8, 2017 Volunteers needed

Save the date! The second Fairbanks Fiber Festival will take place Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at Pioneer Park in Fairbanks from 10-5. This year we have more room and we're busy planning fun demos. Please volunteer to help during the day. We will have a Spinning Corner and hope many of you will come sit and spin for a bit.

If you are a vendor and would like to have a table at the event, contact Linda Harriger - [l.harriger@gmail.com](mailto:l.harriger@gmail.com).

We are also looking for people to volunteer for a few hours. There will be a Silent Auction and we are gathering items for the Auction.

Proceeds will go to make the Fairbanks Fiber Festival an ongoing event.

There will be workshops on the second day, Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for information about those. Updates on classes will be posted on the [www.Calypsofarm.org](http://www.Calypsofarm.org) Calendar page and our Facebook page (Fairbanks Fiber Festival)

The Fairbanks event was very successful last year and we look forward to the much larger Pioneer Park venue, with room for more vendors and workshops.

# THE ART SCENE

## Friday, September 1st

First Friday at Calypso Farm, from 4-8pm - the event will feature hands on fiber activities including natural dyeing, wet felting and spinning.

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## FAIRBANKS ARTS ASSOCIATION BEAR GALLERY OPPORTUNITY TO ENTER

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32<sup>nd</sup> Annual 64<sup>th</sup> Parallel Exhibition

October 6 to October 28, 2017

Submission dates are: Sept. 30. & Oct 1

Times: 12 to 5pm

Reception: October 6, 5 – 7pm

**Juror: Emily Nachison (Portland, Oregon)**

Fairbanks Arts Association website:  
For the Prospectus: [www.fairbanksarts.org](http://www.fairbanksarts.org)

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## PORTFOLIO REVIEW FOR THE YEAR 2019

DEADLINE OCTOBER 31<sup>st</sup>

Find the prospectus info on the

Fairbanks Arts Association website:  
[www.fairbanksarts.org](http://www.fairbanksarts.org)

## IN OUR MAIL BOX:

**SILENT AUCTION ITEMS** to donate to the **FESTIVAL OF FIBERS**, contact Terry Roberts or Alice Stickney

## DONATIONS REQUEST FOR FUND RAISER

Calypso Farms annual dinner is coming up quickly and we are wondering if you'd be willing to donate to the auction this year.

**The Benefit Dinner and Auction will be held September 22nd at Friends Church (\*\*New Location this year!!) Doors open at 4:30pm. Dinner and Silent Auction start at 5pm and the Live Auction starts at 7pm. Thank you for your willingness to consider donating again this year.**

## ATTENTION: ANYONE WHO RAISES LIVESTOCK

Would you be interested in being on the Animal Control Board? The time investment isn't very much and the application is available online ([fnsb.us](http://fnsb.us)) or at the Mayor's office.

A fun sheep snippet with June Colony on LiveWire on PRI: <http://www.livewireradio.org/episode338>

Starts about minute 24 and runs to about 31. She talks about sheep shearing and her huge sheep Her starting breeds: Targhee (a recent breed from Merino crossed with Rambouillet) and Wensleydale --- really BIG sheep, up to 300 lbs: The dreadlocks can grow up to a foot a year.



## LOOMS FOR SALE

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4 shaft Ad a Harness Macomber Loom \$1500 with lots of extras



Call The Weaving Studio  
452-7737

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4 shaft Table loom with a stand  
Some Books, shuttles, warping board  
\$400 Call the Studio

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40 inches, Schacht 4 shaft loom, 6 treadles \$1200  
one reed and warped, so come and try it out  
Call the Weaving Studio 452-7737

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GILMORE 8 SHAFT 45" FLOOR LOOM  
With several reeds & shuttles  
\$2100 Call the Weaving Studio 452-7737

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FOR SALE 4 SHAFT BABY WOLF - 24 inch  
Purchased years ago but never used it.  
Have it all together with parts and spools of threads.  
\$450 or the best offer. Alex 322-8751

4 shaft Schacht TABLE LOOM FOR SALE, LIKE NEW  
with warping board, lease sticks and 2 reeds  
For price email: [Keratin.Genter@gmail.com](mailto:Keratin.Genter@gmail.com)

Jodi is parting with some of her basket books, plus some of her wonderful baskets from her collection.  
Call Jodi at 474-9144 to make an appointment to view.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING  
WITH THE GUILD NEWSLETTER?

## DIANNE TOTTEN SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP IN OCTOBER

### 3-hour seminar "Crimp Cloth Primer"

Discover "crimp cloth" to add to your weaving repertoire. Using a 'non-dye' variation of woven shibori, learn to create fabric with permanently crimped designs that hold their memory even when washed. An overview of both warp and weft shibori will be presented through lecture and visual presentation. See how the fabric can be used for entire garments as well as for permanent pleating to replace knitted ribbing for a sweater or to add a knit look to the collar area of a jacket. Be inspired with the ways to use this amazing cloth.

Advanced beginner and beyond.

### 1-day Studio "Crimp Cloth, the Warp and Weft Connection"

Learn to create permanently crimped fabric with a 'non-dye' variation of woven shibori. Use the "crimp cloth" for clothing and accessories that flatters any figure. Although the crimping process is the same for warp or weft shibori, designing, drafting, weaving, and using the finished fabric varies between the two methods. An in-depth study of both methods will be included in the lectures and visual presentations. Be inspired by the endless possibilities. Sewing tips for using this amazing cloth will be included. Advanced beginner and beyond.

Looms will be available to practice the techniques for samples of warp and weft crimp cloth.

