



President's Message

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

The Silent Auction & Open House, held on February 10th, was very successful. We have many more events to look forward to in the coming year, our own St. Distaff's Day and Spinning Retreat being the biggies on the list. Demo season is around the corner, so oil up your wheels and check on your suntan lotion supply.

Also around the corner is the nomination for positions for the 07-08 year. We will be in need of a secretary and membership convenor at this point. These are important profiles and help you get to know the rest of the members as well. Volunteer to help keep your guild providing the services you enjoy today, tomorrow. We are only as strong as our volunteer base.



Judith Rygiel at the Silent Auction & Open House

March Meeting

Monday, March 5th, at 7:30pm

Greeter: Judith Rygiel – Hostess: still needed!

Programme: *A presentation on Ikat – ancient techniques for creating patterns by selective tying and dyeing of warp or weft before weaving.*

Also, the Exhibition & Sale committee is asking all members to please bring a copy of their local neighbourhood newspapers, to provide contact & advertising information to the committee for Ex & Sale advertising later in the year.

Meeting Location

Meetings are at Heartwood House (<http://www.heartwoodhouse.ca>) which is located at 153 Chapel Street, on the corner of Rideau Street, two blocks east of Nate's Restaurant. For parking, continue to the end of Chapel Street, turn right and follow around behind the buildings. Enter the building at the Rideau Street entrance. The meetings are held on the main floor, to the left in the Gallery, and the Resource Centre is downstairs.

Reminder on Access – At the meetings, usually someone is available to greet members at the side door. If not, the side door has a buzzer system. Top entry is Heartwood House & OVWSG. Punch in the code (1002) which will ring the phone in the RC. Whoever is in the RC answers phone and presses/holds "9" to unlock the door for you. Heartwood House is also accessible by OC Transpo routes 2, 7, 14 and 18.

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General Announcements

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

Silent Auction and Open House – Feb. 10

Fourteen members came out to help and/or demonstrate. Six members were involved in the pre-event preparations. I have to send special thanks to members Dolores and Pierre Cyr who scrubbed down the entire Resource Centre floor (on hands and knees, I might add). What a big difference it made. Judith, who was greeter, made an attendance count and came up with 40 non-members. All the demos were very professional looking, offering lots of information, entertainment and fun for the public. The refreshment table looked lovely and was appreciated by all those bidding on items. There were approximately 60 items donated for the auction, which included a few that were leftover from the previous silent auction. Many members donated items to be displayed around the Resource Centre, to spruce it up a bit. Elizabeth and her workshop participants were very patient with us, as we gave tours of the Resource Centre to the public. I think it was a real bonus that they were able to see a workshop in progress.



Silent Auction & Open House, kumihimo demonstrators

Archive/History Position

During the preparation of the Grant application to the City of Ottawa, it became painfully obvious that in recent years the upkeep of the history/activities of the guild, has been lacking (not as regular as it should be). To assist in this task a new position was created of ARCHIVE/HISTORY. Cindy O'Gorman has volunteered to take on the new position and bring things up to date. Please help her by donating/submitting photos, articles, advertising, feedback from any workshops, events, activities and demonstrations that has taken place in the past 4 or 5 years. Our history is RICH and we need to keep it alive for the next generation of weavers and spinners. In the coming years please continue to make submissions to our ARCHIVE/HISTORY convenor.

Peter Honeywell

Peter Honeywell, Executive Director of "Council for the Arts in Ottawa" has been awarded the 2006 Sandra Tulloch Award for Innovation in the Arts, by Theatre Ontario. It is presented annually to the individual or collective who has demonstrated leadership over a long career, and a passionate commitment to deepening the scope and broadening the appearance of the arts in Ontario through innovative and practical approaches. Peter has been very supportive of our guild over the years. A card of Congratulations has been sent to him, on behalf of the guild.

Guild Bookkeeper

During the Grant preparations, Vince Vincent, our Guild bookkeeper, gave an entire weekend of her time, to pull together the necessary documentation for the grant. A thank-you gift was selected to show our appreciation of her going way beyond the call of duty, for us.

Big Online

This is a licensed database that we have signed up for, with 14 other Heartwood House members. There is a little room to the east of the Gallery doors that has been equipped with a laptop computer (secured) with high speed internet connection and a printer. A key to this room has been given to the guild and time in the room may be booked through Moe of Heartwood. The Big Online licence is installed on this computer and we may peruse to our hearts content, for sources of funding and grants from governments, agencies, corporations etc. We are signed onto this service and are now looking for 1 or 2 members to champion this project. Expectations would be to book time in the room and research on behalf of the guild. Contact Laurie H-C for further details.

Leather drive band problems, solved

Jan Scott has found an answer to a nagging problem - those pesky leather drive bands, or the bands on those older style bobbin winders. What to do if they break or need repair? She has found a shoe repair person who can fix them. As this has proved a difficult resource to find in the past, this is great news. I will post his business card (Nikolay Zudin at City View Shoe Repair, 1516 Merivale Rd. (613) 224-7131) on the bulletin board in the Resource Centre. Handy to know these things.

City of Ottawa Arts Course Book

We have been offered a half page ad FREE in this publication. It is distributed to homes in Ottawa. What an opportunity to reach the arts audience with our workshops and courses. We have to submit the ad in April for the Fall and Winter book 07-08. We will devise an ad that briefly covers what we have to offer and then refers to our website

for up to date details.

OHS Library

The OHS (Ontario Handweavers and Spinners) library is being dispersed because of lack of use. Books will first be offered by auction on their website and then sold at their conference in May. Our librarians have gone over the list to select items we do not have. We are particularly interested in the rare and out of print books. They have been given permission to bid on these items for our library. Might I be so bold as to ask that you try not to bid against them, if at all possible? We are also looking into getting any special privilege or first dibs, so these books may remain in a Fibre Arts library. We feel it would be in accordance with our guild's mandate to keep these books available for research purposes and preserve them for future fibre artists.

Hostesses and Greeters

There are still some dates requiring a hostess and/or greeter for the monthly meeting:

March 5: Hostess - NEED A VOLUNTEER
Greeter - Judith Rygiel
April 2: Hostess - Cindy O'Gorman
Greeter - Tuula Talvila
May 7: Hostess - NEED A VOLUNTEER
Greeter - NEED A VOLUNTEER
June 4: Hostess - NEED A VOLUNTEER
Greeter - NEED A VOLUNTEER

Website

Cindy Jackson (cindy@applelaine.com) will be keeping the website up to date. Please let her know of any items that need adding or changing.

Advertising

Ads for St. Distaff's Day and the Spinning Retreat are being placed in the next issue of Fibre Focus magazine (OHS publication).

Bytown Museum Blog

Christina Tessier, Director, Bytown Museum

Bytown Museum launches blog! The Bytown Museum Renewal Project is now well under way and we want to share the Museum's transformation with you. To keep everyone informed of our progress, we have launched the Bytown Blog. On the site you will find pictures of the Renewal Project including our move, the renovations, and the new construction. But you will have to visit regularly to keep up-to-date on the latest developments. Keep your fingers crossed for a funding announcement later this week!

The Bytown Museum Renewal Project is an ambitious plan to renew all of the museum's permanent exhibits, open a

community gallery and create a hands-on programming space in time to celebrate the Museum's 90th anniversary and International Museums Day on May 18th. To find out more, visit our home page at <http://www.bytownmuseum.com> and link to the blog.

Upcoming Guild Activities

Exhibition and Sale Planning Meeting

Nancy Ingram

A meeting of all participants in the Exhibition and Sale is planned for Saturday, March 10th, at 1:00 pm in the Resource Centre. All people interested in participating in the Guild's annual Exhibition & Sale in November should attend this meeting. This includes all those who expressed an interest in purchasing a booth, assisting with the Guild displays, and all vendors. This will be an important planning meeting – please try to attend.

Fun Sunday

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

We are re-instating this popular event. March 11 (noon to 4) will be the first one. If attendance warrants then we will continue with them on the second Sunday of each month. They will be announced in the newsletter ahead of time. Arrive at any time, stay for the whole time or a short time, it's just a fun day with no specific agenda. Bring a snack or drink if you wish. This is a great opportunity for new members to come and experience what the Resource Centre has to offer. Search through the drawers to see what's there, try out a piece of equipment or just bring along your latest project and socialize as you work. Other members will be able to show you around or get you set up on equipment. Best of all for those driving, the parking lot generally has lots of space available on a Sunday. Use the side door (facing Rideau St) and buzz 1002 on the intercom system. It will ring in the RC and we will buzz the door open for you.

Tapestry Group

Mary Morrison

We will be meeting in the Resource Centre during the Fun Sunday on March 11th (see above).

March Break - Coop 301 & Childrens program

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

Would you be able to teach a mini workshop (2-3 hours) during an afternoon of the March break? The Coop 301 (across the hall from our Resource Centre) is looking into offering short programs for children and has asked if we would be able to assist in filling the week's program. Please let Laurie H-C know ASAP, if you are able to do one. We have not committed to Coop 301 yet, until we know there are members available to do this.

OHS Guild Display Reminder

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

PILLOWS - Black, White or Black & White, any fibre, any fibre arts technique. Please bring us your pillows for this display. The OHS conference where they will be displayed is May 9 - 13 at Brock University in St. Catharines. I (Laurie) will be delivering the display, setting it up and returning everything at the conclusion. In order for us to organize the display ahead of time, please bring your submissions to the April or May Guild meeting (at the latest). The more submissions, the better the display. This is a competition display between all the other guilds in Ontario and there are prizes to be won for individual items and the display as a whole. If you are new to your craft (less than 2 years) please indicate that, as prizes will be awarded accordingly. That means everyone has an equal footing for awards. At the last conference the Ottawa Guild did not have a display, which was kind of embarrassing. So, let's make an effort to make up for not having one last time. Our guild is very impressive in so many ways, and here's an opportunity to prove it. Yea, for us!

St. Distaff's Day

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

Saturday, May 26, in Winchester at the Community Centre (upstairs from the arena) 9 to 4pm. Workshop Instructors are being finalized and then the registration forms/workshops lists can be prepared. These will be available on our website, www.ovwsg.com. We are aiming for the end of February to have this done. You will want to register early to get your desired workshops. Event coordinators are: Registrar = Cindy Jackson; Instructors = Sue Quinn; Vendors = Judy Kavanagh. Watch for further details. Pass the information on to others you know.

International Back to Back Wool Challenge

Cindy O'Gorman & Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

The West Carleton Fibre Guild has invited/challenged us to participate in this event. It is an international competition with awards for fastest team worldwide, winning Canadian Team and for the greatest donation to Cancer Research by a group associated with an International Wool Challenge venue. It will take place on Sunday, June 10th, 2007. A team of 7 hand spinners and knitters complete a sweater following the same pattern within 8 hours from a fleece shorn that morning. It would take place in Carleton Place at the Wool Growers Co-op and Ross Creighton would be the blade shearer for the event. The winning Canadian team in 2006 was the Toronto Spiders Team. If you are a spinner and can knit and would be interested in participating in this event (either joining a team from WCFG or having our own OVWSG team to challenge them), contact Cindy O'Gorman at 613-832-9316 or cgo244@yahoo.ca. We have an entry form and it must be returned by April 30.

Objective: To complete the sweater, following the identical International Wool Challenge pattern EXACTLY, within 1 day.

Rules:

1. A Team consists of 8 members: 1 blade shearer and 7 handspinners and hand knitters with up to 7 non-electric spinning wheels. 1 sheep any colour or breed, but must not be housed or coated for 2 months prior to shearing.
2. With the exception of the shearer, team members shall be allowed to perform whichever function is required within the team. Eg. a member may start as a spinner and become a knitter, knitters or spinners may wind wool, members of the team may exchange roles with one another.
3. The continuous time starts when the shearer, holding the sheep, begins shearing. Shearing can begin from any part of the sheep.
4. An independent timekeeper and assessor are required to verify the time and that the pattern has been complied with.
5. Spinners may start spinning as soon as the wool is available.
6. Only the team members may touch the wool.
7. Scissors, handcarders, flickers or combs are not permitted.
8. A HAND ball winder tool may be used.
9. Two wool singles are plyed for a 'double knit' of approximately 8 ply yarn.
10. Use oversew stitch in wool to sew up the sweater.
11. Time ends when the completed sweater is handed to the timekeeper.

12. The winning team shall be the one which produces the finished sweater in the best recorded time.

Note: All tasks to be carried out by hand operation only.

Sponsored by: Australian Wool Showcase Inc.

Check the website for further details: <http://www.ballaratweb.net/wdennis/> (scroll down the page about halfway for information).

OHS Juried Show at the Perry Gallery

We are very pleased to announce that, at the invitation of the Burlington Handweavers & Spinners, the 2007 OHS Juried Show "Old World, New Ways: Explored Through the Threads of Our Lives" will be exhibited in the Perry Gallery at the Burlington Arts Centre for the month of June, 2007. This Exhibit follows the Official Opening of the Juried Show at the 2007 OHS Conference at Brock University. Because we received this generous invitation after the publication and distribution of the Call for Entry, the application date for the Juried Show is now being extended to March 30, 2007. All entries and applications must be received no later than March 30, 2007. We encourage and challenge you to explore new fibres, new techniques, world influences and new designs from old sources and enter the 2007 OHS Juried Show. The Call for Entry is available on the OHS website at www.OHS.on.ca.

For more information, contact:

Barbara Laking, 464 Campbellville Road, R.R. #2
Campbellville, ON, L0P 1B0. barbara@otecolutions.com
tel: 905-659-6500

Knitters Fair

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

September 8th, 2007 - Waterloo County, Kitchener, Ontario,
9:30 – 4:30

Bingemans, 425 Bingeman Centre Dr. Kitchener,
www.kwknittersguild.ca

NAC Curtain

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

Did you know that the NAC curtain was commissioned to weaver Micheleine Beauchemin, a Bronfman award winner? Mary Morrison informed us that it is 3 feet thick! We are looking into arranging a field trip to see and learn more about this curtain. Watch for more details in future newsletters.

Demonstrations

Demonstrations Coordinator

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

This position has been vacant for a little while. However, Cindy O'Gorman has agreed to coordinate the summer demonstrations for this year. Her term as Secretary is coming to an end and she will have time to do this job. Thank-you Cindy. As the demonstration opportunities information becomes available, sign-up sheets will be passed around at the regular meetings for you to get involved. These are excellent opportunities to socialize, create and share our talents with the public at the same time. Those members who attend these functions are always reporting how much fun they have. You may be the very one to introduce the next spinner or weaver to the art.

Pinhey's Point Demonstration

Cindy O'Gorman

We have been asked to demonstrate spinning and carding and also weaving at Pinhey's Point during their Discovery Days on Sundays. The specific event for which we are being requested is on July 15th, 2007 from 10 am to 4 pm during their "Wool to Wheel" Discovery Day. It is a beautiful day spent in a historic building on the banks of the Ottawa River in the west end of the city. If you are interested in participating in this event contact Cindy O'Gorman at 613-832-9316 or cgo244@yahoo.ca.

Resource Centre News

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

Bulletin Board

Currently posted on the Resource Centre bulletin board:

1. Latest Quilters Guild newsletter
2. "Fibers on the Edge" (Eastern Great Lakes Fiber Conference), Lewiston, NY. Oct. 5-8, 2007, information and application forms
3. Leather drive band repair guy, business card

100" Loom

Jack L. has offered to convert this loom into a sectional beam, for warping purposes. Would this make warping such a large loom easier? Remember that though this loom has been dismantled and put into a storage room, it is available to you and a partner(s) to use on request. We ask that you be ready to warp right away before we assemble it again, as

space is premium in the Resource Centre. Would there be a group interested in making coverlets? Jack has also offered to be an advisor for coverlet projects.

Spring Workshops

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

Workshop Leaders/Instructors for Spring Session

Please inform Elizabeth Watt of your intentions to teach a workshop (or two). Everyone has talent and maybe you are the one who has a certain technique that you can teach to others. Instructors are paid for their time. Any cost of materials that you provide are reimbursed by the students as a separate "material fee". We need to get out the spring brochure very soon.

Heartwood House News

Laurie Harkin-Chiasson

Heartwood House Hours

The front desk is manned:

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| Mon & Tues: | 8 am - 7 pm |
| Wed & Thurs: | 8 am - 7:30 pm |
| Friday: | 8 am - 5 pm |

Heartwood House Parking Reminder

If you are using the parking lot during business hours, remember to sign in at the front desk and include your licence plate number. This is the only way they can tell that you are a visitor to Heartwood and not illegally using their lot. They have had some trouble lately, so be sure to sign the book. Regular users pay for a parking permit, however they have allowed a few extra spaces for visitors like ourselves to use on a sporadic basis.

Minutes

Ottawa Valley Weavers and Spinners Guild - Monthly Guild Meeting

Monday, February 5th, 2007

Gallery, Heartwood House

Written & recorded by Cindy O'Gorman

Meeting was called to order at 7:33pm.

Executives, Convenors, new members and visitors were introduced.

Show & Tell

- Judith R. showed her fabric resist dyeing experiments, her handpainted wool scarves and a damask woven scarf.
- Judy K. showed us some of her Shetland wool spinning and offered up extras for sale.
- Melanie L. showed the Fibre Artist magazine which has article on Contemporary Textile Institute in Montreal.
- Wanda B. showed her first woven Tartan made into Black & White pillows for the OHS Guild Display
- Mary M. brought in magazine cutouts for inspiration for the Guild Display
- Jack L. brought in his handwoven coverlet with 8H pattern 218 ends sett 18epi with Navy Blue Kroy Sock yarn.
- Anne M. showed how she blended an orangey brown roving with burgundy Merino to change the colour for a project she is working on. She Navaho plied the yarn to maintain colour.
- Ramona M. showed her tapestry handwoven purse and talked about some interesting Toronto stores: www.Romniwools.com and www.designerfabrics.ca
- Ann S. talked about the Textile Museum in Toronto and that the Saidye Bronfman winners are being exhibited at the Museum of Civilization.
- Mary M. talked about a former Saidye Bronfman winner Micheline Beauchemin who had a handwoven curtain formerly displayed at the NAC.

Business Meeting/Announcements

- St. Distaff's Day** (Sue Quinn) – We need workshop instructors (for 2 hours) for the St. Distaff's Day celebration in Winchester, Saturday, May 26th, 2007. Contact Sue if you are available by Feb 15.
- Operating Fund Grant** (Laurie Harkin-Chiasson) – The application for the grant has been completed and we should hear by June 2007. A complete copy of this application has been made and will be kept for future grant applications. Laurie herself personally put in over 40 hours on the application with help from Ann Sunahara and Judith Rygiel as editors and advisers; Vince our accountant, Anne Jackson with accounting, Cindy O'Gorman with minutes, Jan Scott with pictures.
- Archives & History position** (Laurie H-C) – In view of the difficulty in obtaining readily accessible information for the grant application, we'd like to reinstate this position to the Committees & Convenors positions.
- Silent Auction & Open House** – is this Saturday noon – 4:00pm. A volunteer sign-up sheet is at the back. We need a Friday afternoon cleanup crew, donation of display items for the RC, tables and display bases, refreshments (desserts & juices), greeters, membership forms, workshop forms, brochures, name tag box, 3 signs (Please go to side Door, Welcome, Silent Auction Terms), bidding cards and backs, Demonstrations, Tour Guides, Stick on name tags for invited guests.

-**HH recycling program** – we have finally been paid. 50% of all money raised is split up among participants. In the future, payment will be made in terms of a rent deduction.

-**HH Big Online** (Laurie H-C) – Laurie has key for access now.

-**Heartwood House Gallery** (Laurie H-C) – we would like to have a fibre arts show for 1 month or 2 weeks.

-**Chesterville-SpinIn** – Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2007

-**Hostess needed** for March 5, we already have a greeter

-**OHS Regional Representative's meeting** (Laurie H-C) – the OHS Library is being dismantled

-**RC Report** (Mary Morrison) – weavers will be available at the RC on Wednesday Feb. 7 from 1-3pm and every 2nd Wed thereafter.

-**Ex & Sale Report** (email from Nancy Ingram) – as read by Laurie H-C

-If you would like a booth email to Nancy by Feb. 15

-a planning meeting is scheduled for mid March.

-**Heritage Demonstration at City Hall** – would like spinners for Monday Feb. 19, 2007

-**MERA** (www.MERASchoolhouse.org) running seminars 50 spaces available.

-**Workshops/Courses** (Elizabeth Watt) – 2 of the 3 courses so far have run

-April to June is the next run of courses

-**Spinning Retreat** (Judith Rygiel) – had the first sign-up today. Space is limited, register early.

-to take place at Sam Jake's Inn in Merrickville 4 star spa

-October 12, 13 weekend with Liz Miller instruction

-**Indigo Workshop** (Ann Sunahara) – to take place June 9/10 in MacDonald's corners. March 15 is the deadline for Ottawa people to register, after which it will be opened up for other people.

-**Thanks:** Tonight's Greeter was Jean and Mary & Yvonne were Hostesses.

Program

Ann Sunahara introduced the 2nd program in the Winter Series "Programs to Dye For" and introduced Sara Hale, a textile artist from Arden, ON. Sara was recently on a fibre artists tour of Japan hosted by Betsy Sterling. She presented a beautiful picture show and commentary on her trip which showcased stunning examples of Shibori, a Japanese dyeing technique. She rounded out her presentation with a table display of various Japanese textiles including Shibori. A wonderfully inspiring program.

The meeting ended at 9:30 pm.

Marketplace

Cashmere kid fleeces for sale. Hand combed. Creamy white, soft grey and chocolate brown. Élevage Cataraqui 819-455-2729. www.elevagecataraqui.com

40" Glimakra loom for sale: 4 harnesses, can be expanded to 6, counter-balanced, overhead beater, excellent condition with bench \$ 200.00.
For more information call 613-722-5039

Folding type "Fanny" loom by Nilus Leclerc 45 inch, counter-balance, four harness w/ 6, 15, and 12 dent reeds. Good Condition: \$400.00
Leclerc Rocking Bench with bags - New: \$310
contact: 613.695.8161

Antique spinning wheel in perfect condition. Circa 1900. Dupuis Frères Limitée, Montréal.

Contact: Joanne Egan,
Email:
Joanne.Egan@sympatico.ca
Evenings 613-745-4962



Glimakra 100cm standard countermarche loom, double warp beam
Leclerc 8-shaft table loom
Ashford spinning wheel
Plus weaving books, yarn, spool rack, etc. (some items for donation)
Contact: Robyn Bozek 613-296-1562

Advertising rates:

Members: \$12 for first 25 words or less, + \$0.23 for each additional word.

Non-members: \$15 for 25 words or less, + \$0.28 for each additional word.

Business Card size: \$18/issue or \$150/year; ¼ or ½ page: \$30 or \$32/issue.

Commercial: \$15 for 20 words, + \$0.45/additional word,
Full page: \$79/issue.

To place an advertisement, phone or email Tuula Talvila at 613-565-3754, tuulat@gmail.com.

Announcements of special events carry no charge to members unless items are specified for sale or services for reimbursement appear in the event notice. Advertisements must be pre-paid.

Welcome to new members



Lucille Gravel

Lynda Trottier

Stephanie Coulshaw

Sandra McManus



Ottawa Valley Weavers and Spinners Guild

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OVWSG Workshop / Course Registration Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
e-mail: _____
Course: _____
Date: _____
Fee: _____

Please make cheques payable to “The Ottawa Valley Weavers and Spinners Guild”

Mailing Address c/o: 1118 West Ave, Manotick, ON K4M 1G6 613-692-6115 (Elizabeth Watt, Registrar)
elizabeth@wattfamily.ca Please make a separate cheque for each course, and please register **2 weeks** before the course starts.

The Ottawa Valley Weavers' and Spinners' Guild (a non-profit organization) has been promoting hand made textiles for over 50 years. Our mandate is to maintain and promote the knowledge and practice of weaving and spinning. The Guild recently established the Weaving Resource Centre, which is located at Heartwood House, 153 Chapel St., Ottawa. We offer lessons, workshops and access to our equipment and library as well as studio space for textile artists. The Weaving Resource Centre is made possible in part through a grant from the City of Ottawa.

Please Note: Weaving and spinning equipment can be rented on a weekly or monthly basis. For all workshops and courses please feel free to bring lunch/snack and drink. Cancellation of a course is possible after the 1st lesson with a refund of the fee paid less a \$10 administration charge. Cancellation of a course by the Resource Centre will result in a full refund. The Resource Centre reserves the right to cancel a course.

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March Events Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 Beginners Needle Felting workshop <i>Resource Centre</i> 10:30-3:30 |
| 4 | 5 7:30pm Guild meeting: Ikat techniques | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Exhibition and Sale Planning meeting <i>Resource Centre</i> 1:00 pm |
| 11 Fun Sunday & Tapestry Group <i>Resource Centre</i> noon-4 pm | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 Acadian Wedding Blanket weaving workshop <i>Resource Centre</i> 9:30-4:30 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 OHS Conference Juried Show application deadline | 31 Novelty Yarns spinning workshop <i>Resource Centre</i> 10:30-4:30 |

Please note that details about events and courses can be found in either the newsletter or in the workshop brochure (available at meetings, in the Resource Centre, or on the website).

April Events Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 | 2 7:30 pm Guild meeting: Indigo dyeing (DVD & workshop prep) | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 <i>Good Friday</i> | 7 |
| 8 <i>Easter Sunday</i> | 9 <i>Easter Monday</i> | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
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