

Ottawa Valley Weavers' & Spinners' Guild

May 2013 Newsletter

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Next Meeting:

Monday May 6th, 2013 at 7.30pm Heartwood 53 Chapel Street Ottawa, Ontario

Program:

Come hear Claudette
Hart and see her grand
creations. Claudette,
based in Merrickville,
weaves with fibres and
gourds. She will show us
how she makes beautiful
objets d'art using gourds
— "nature's greatest gift
to mankind".

Our next meeting:

Is the AGM on Monday, June 3rd, 2013 at 7.30pm

President's Message

Aurora Richard

Don't forget that the Annual General Meeting will take place one month later than usual this year, in June rather than May, to provide space between the OHS Conference and the AGM. So our May meeting will be a regular meeting.

Prior to the AGM, think about which position (or positions) you would like to volunteer for -- the one(s) you would most enjoy or that would best suit your skills. We will be adding new assistant positions this year in an effort to spread the work and the knowhow. Be ready to volunteer and to participate in the democratic process at the AGM on June 3. To all coordinators, don't forget that annual year-end reports need to be ready for inclusion with the June newsletter. They will be read at the June AGM. Please submit them to me for review by May 21.

Some good news: the city has come through with the third installment of the three-year grant, so we will be in good standing for the upcoming fiscal year. A new grant application will have to be submitted to the city. If you want to perform this important task, volunteer to be the Grant Coordinator or Grant Assistant at the AGM. For those not attending the OHS conference, the studio will be open Saturday, May 4th, from 12:00-4:00 pm (there are no parking restrictions at that time). Come and work on your project or come to socialize.

Don't forget that our fiscal year starts on May 1, and so our membership fees are due (no inflation this year--\$40 individual or \$55 family). You can pay at the May meeting or you can mail your cheque and membership form.

Starting with the May meeting, we will make binders available with minutes of board meetings and past newsletters. Anyone at the meetings will be able to view this information. In addition, the newsletter usually has the minutes of the preceding monthly meeting; please read these minutes at the back of the newsletter, as Kelly gives us a lot of good information.

By the way, please check out our brand new Web site. Thanks to Anne Jackson for her hard work and excellent design.

The board has allocated funds for the purchase of spinning equipment. Cindy's Fibre Preparation Workshop on Saturday, June 8TH, is expected to be the first to use this new equipment, so now there is one more reason to sign up for this excellent workshop. Demo season is fast approaching. Please volunteer to demonstrate your skills at one or more of the events this year.

The expected moving date is now the week of July 22-27. Packing will commence in June, after the workshops are finished, so the workshops will not be inconvenienced.

I hope everyone is having a great spring, and I hope to see many of you at the OHS Conference.

Workshops Elizabeth Watt

Workshops have been going very well this year with almost every scheduled workshop running. The registration process has been fairly smooth with most participants e-mailing me to ask if space is available and then sending their registration in promptly. Registration is still by snail mail and cheque at this point, however, the executive is working some form of on-line option for the near future.

We still have space in all workshops running in May and June:

Needlefelted Sheep Sunday May 12 10-4 \$50 members, \$65 non-members

Intro to Spinning on a Wheel Saturday May 25 10:30-3:30 \$40 members, \$50 non-members

Cutting Handwoven Fabric Sunday May 26 1-4:30 \$35 members, \$45 non-members

Couture Tricks Sunday June 2 1-4:30 \$35 members, \$45 non-members Fibre Preparation Saturday June 8 10-3 \$40 members, \$50 non-members Inkle Too Sunday June 8 AND Sunday June 16 10-3 \$75 members, \$95 non-members Gaining Control Saturday June 15 10:30-4:30 \$50 members, \$65 non-members

Our new "by request" workshop option is working through the usual new program glitches, including the impending move of the Resource Centre. Overall the concept seems to be working when groups of students approach me with a request for a class. Scheduling is a bit challenging at the moment with the move being a moving target, however, once we are settled in the new Heartwood I am confident we will be able to accommodate more of these. The "lonely learners" is unfortunately not working out quite so well. I have had several requests for particular workshops from 1-2 members, but had little luck encouraging others. I am still trying to think of ways to make this work a bit better, and welcome suggestions, however at the moment the best way to get the workshop you want is to find a group of at least 4 yourself.

worshops@wattfamily.ca







OHS Conference

Laruie Harkin-Chiasson

Vendor Mall

Haven't registered for the conference but would like an opportunity to visit the vendor mall? We have made special arrangements with the NavCentre in Cornwall to allow a window of time, for the general public to visit the vendor rooms. They have agreed to Friday May 3, 2013, from 4:00pm to 6:30pm. There will be a \$5.00 charge. Vendors are in rooms A119 and A121, by the lower lounge (there are to be signs, to direct you). There will be a volunteer in the lower lounge to collect your fee and stamp your hand (so you can enter both rooms). For directions etc. http://navcentre.ca/en/Directions Parking

Welcome to New Members

Colleen Millen-Brouwer

Nancy Wasserman

Lynn Brisson

Gaelen Gordon

Kathy Enright (returning)

Resource Centre - Library

Who can use the Library?

The library is available to all members in good standing. (with no outstanding overdue books). Non-members may access the library but will not be allowed to take out materials.

When is the library open?

The library will be open by 5pm on the day of the meeting. For access to the library between meetings please contact the librarians at library@ovwsg.com. (The Librarians would like to attend the meeting too so please be courteous and bring back your books, DVD's, and Magazines before the meeting starts.)

How long may I have the material out?

Material may be borrowed from one meeting to the next meeting.

If you cannot attend the next meeting contact the librarians who will ether renew your item or arrange to have you drop it off if it has been requested by another member.

How many items may I borrow?

Members in good standing are able to take out up to 4 items per month. Special arrangements will be made for members who are taking the OHS masterspiners or masterweavers course and requires more books for homework assignments. Workshop teachers may have books pulled for their classes as required.

What are the Late Fees per item per month?

The late fee is \$1.50 per item per month. The fees go towards the acquisition of new exciting books for the library! We have some longstanding lost books we would dearly like to see again if you encounter one of our books please contact the librarians or drop it in when the studio is open. Please check to see if one has accidently wandered home with you!

How do I sign out a book?

At 5pm on the Monday of the meeting the library opens. So come early and peruse the library. Select the materials you would like to borrow for the month (up to 4 items) then take them to the sine out desk where a librarian will be waiting to help you. Each item in the catalogue will have a card and card pocket (usually at the back of the book or Magazine and inside a DVD case). Remove the card and clearly print your name and your phone number.

Give the card to the librarian. Remember if you write the wrong date you may be able to contribute to the new book fund (\$1.50 per item per month) so read the sine on the desk which will remind you of the next month and the year.

If you are unable to attend the meeting email or phone the librarians. We will ether renew your item or arrange to have you drop it off if it has been requested by another member.

A Brief History of the OVWSG Library

We are an old guild and have been collecting books, magazines, manuscripts, monographs, and weavers' sample records since our formation in 1949. More recently we have added CD's, PDF files, Wiffs, Jpegs and DVD's to our library. Many items within our inventory are out of print, rare, or irreplaceable. The library covers topics of interest to weavers, spinners and other fiber artists. We have both historical information and practical how to type material. If we don't have the information we will try and suggest who might. The Guild Library has come a long way from its start. Our early library was carried to meetings in boxes, then by request books were brought in. By the time I joined in the 1980's we had a closet to keep our books in at Devonshire public school. It was small, dark and tended towards damp and flooding. Since then we have moved meeting spaces and each time the library was packed, unpacked and was usually in a closet. The closets did get bigger. But so did the library and the librarians! By the time we arrived at Heartwood House we had a very impressive library and eventually had moved out of the closet and into the main studio room! With the new location we will remain in the main studio but acquire new, much needed, cabinets to house the collection. We have been gifted with a collection of weavers' sample books that we have not been able to have circulated yet due to lack of shelf space. So it will be very exciting to have the new cabinets which will allow the new material to be accessed.

The library is particularly interested in acquiring sample books or binders from local weavers. They are an irreplaceable record of their weaving careers and an inspiration to other weavers. The librarians always love donations of weaving, spinning, dyeing and other fiber related books/DVD's/ magazines. Anything we already have or is not quite right for the collection can be sold to help raise money to acquire new items for the guild library.

Exhibition & Sale Nov 1st –Nov 3rd, 2013

Things are moving along and we have most people confirming their attendance at this year's event with a couple of new or returning faces. At this time we know that there will be at least one large 10 X 12 booth free (#6), so if you think that you'd like to join in the fun, this might be a great opportunity to share a booth with another guild member (\$108 each person). Judging from the amazing items circulating at show and tell we've all got talent. Here is a chance to turn it into some cash...for more supplies of course! Some past vendors have not yet confirmed (with an application and cheque), so I've attached the application to the newsletter, and it will be posted on our website. Please complete this and send it to Francesca Overend.

If you have any questions, please contact me at guildsale@hotmail.com or call me at 613-728-0941.

Happy spinning, weaving, felting, or whatever!

Anne Middleton

Looking For Long Lost Books OVWSG Library Books

If you find in your stash a book that belongs to the Library please contact library@ovwsg.com to arrange its return, or please use our mailing address to send them home. Here is a list of some of the books to watch out for hiding around your house. Some have been gone a very long time and we have almost have lost hope of seeing them again. I have listed some of the ones we would most like to find.

Your Handspinning Davenport, Elsie G.

Natural Dyes & Home Dyeing (Formerly Natural Dyes In The United States) Adroska, Rita J

Colour Samples of Natural Dyeing Ottawa Valley Weavers and Spinners Guild (OVWSG)

Colour Guide for Handweavers Chown, Joyce M

Color and Fibre Lambert, Patricia Ect. Staepelaere, Barbara, Fry, Mary G.

Fiber Fact Hochberg, Bette

Linen Spinning And Weaving Baines, Patricia

The Magic Of Linen, Flaxseed To Woven Cloth Heinrich, Linda

Prehistoric Textiles Barber, Ejw (Lost 2 months after acquisition)

Handspinning Art And Technique Fannin, Allen

Encyclopedia Of Handspinning Ross, Mable

The Handspinners Workbook: Fancy Yarns Ross, Mable

Spin It, A Concise Guide For Spinning Worsted Wools With A Drop Spindle Snell, Judith

Focus On Fleece Macintyre, Jane, Jackson Beth

Felted Treasures How To Felt & Sculpt Wool With A Felt Needle Armes, Jean Paccagnan

Overshot Treadle and Weave as 'Drawn In Atwater, Mary Meigs

Weaving: A Handbook of the Fiber Arts Held, Shirley E.

Warping the Loom Alone Folts and Mathieson

Warp with a Trapeze and Dance with Your Loom Using Live-Weight-Tension Meek, Kati Reeder

Master Weaver Library Vol 05 Everything A Weaver Should Know About Warps And Warping Zielinski, S.A.

Loom Mounted Devices. (With Slides - Dolby Loom) Szpakowski, Marceline

Backstrap Weaving Taber, Barbara & Anderson, Marilyn

Learning to Weave, Revised Edition Chandler, Deborah

Krokbragd Handwoven

Weaving On a Boxloom Murphy, Eleanor

The Basic Book of Finger Weaving Dendel, Esther Warner

Everybody's Weaving Book Lewis, Alfred Allan

Table Mats and Beyond - a Baker's Dozen Handweavers Guild of America (H.G.A.) **Handwoven's Design Collection # 07 Simple Styles** (2 copies have disappeared)

Handwoven

Invitation an Tisssage Labreque, Cecile

Notes from talk on fibre artist tour of British Isles Bateman, Wendy

The New American Tapestry Kaufmann, Ruth

The Heritage of Cotton Crawford, M.

Simple Clothes Lokrantz, K.

Fiber: Tradition/Transition MCloskey, Kathy

The Prolific Knitting Machine Cartwright-Jones, Catherine

Designing and Making Handwoven Rugs Tod, Osma Gallinger

The Weavers Quarterly Van Cleve, Kate and Davis, Myra

Marketplace

The Marketplace portion of the OVWSG Newsletter is used to promote and assist its members. **Current members of the OVWSG can advertise at no charge.** Some restrictions may apply as to space availability and file restrictions.

For Non-Members: \$15.00 for the first 25 letters. \$0.28 for each additional word. \$2.00 per image

CONTACT: Melanie Overduin melanie overduin45@hotmail.com

WEAVING ACCESSORIES FOR SALE

Leclerc large shuttle and bobbins \$12

Ball winder \$10

Small spool rack \$10

Metal folding skein winder \$8

Selection of Briggs & Little

2 ply yarns, various colours \$1/ skein

Handwoven Magazine 1979-1993 free to a new or beginning weaver.

Sue Quinn <u>suequinn260@yahoo.ca</u> 613-837-1619

Visit us on our NEW UPDATED Website! www.OVWSG.com

Visit Us on FaceBook

Reminder to everyone that there is a Facebook group for the guild. Just search for "Ottawa Valley Weavers' and Spinners' Guild" and then click "request to join group".

Membership Renewals

Laurie is now accepting membership renewals for the 2013-14 membership year. Remember that all memberships expire on April 30, 2013 (unless you just joined in 2013). Please make cheques payable to "OVWSG" and dated for May 1. Regular membership \$40.00, Family \$55.00 (at the same address). Payable at the membership desk at the meeting. Or, mail to: OVWSG

153 Chapel St.

Ottawa, ON K1N 1H5.

Please use the Membership form attached.

OVWSG Member Creations

Stephanie MacNeil Needle Felting





Klien Bottle
Pi Hat
&
Handspun
Yarn

Felted Sculpture in Progress



Ottawa Valley Weavers' and Spinners' Guild

Heartwood House, 153 Chapel St., Ottawa, ON K1N 1H5



Web: http://www.ovwsg.com

General E-Mail: info@ovwsg.com

Membership: membership@ovwsg.com

Version: Form updated Sept. 15, 2011

Membership Application / Renewal Form

ANNUAL FEE: Individual \$40.00 Family (same address) \$55.00 The Membership period is from May 1 to April 30.

<u>New Members</u> who join from February-April, the fee remains the same as above. However, the membership expiry is extended to April 30, of the following year.(i.e. receive a few extra months)

Renewals are payable at the April or May meeting or by mail. (Non-renewals by the June meeting, we will assume no intent to renew, with subsequent removal from membership list/newsletter etc.)

Please make cheques payable to: Ottawa Valley Weavers' & Spinners' Guild (or OVWSG)

Note: If also paying for workshops, booth fees etc., please make separate cheques for each service.

Please return to the Membership Convenor at the address above.

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KnittingFeltingBasketry_	Other_Specify
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	Sale exhibitorCommunity Demonstrations/Displays
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	nical Equipment Yarns Education/Outreach
FundraisingPublicity	Grants Website Yahoo site History/Archives _
Auditors Constitution & By	y-laws Hostess
Do you have any ideas for Work	kshops, Meeting Programs or any additional Comments?
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Ottawa Valley Weavers' & Spinners' Guild, Minutes of General Membership Monthly Meeting 8 April 2013, 7:30 p.m. Heartwood

Chair: Aurora Richard,	, President	Present: General Membership
ITEM		DETAILS
Welcome	 Aurora welcomed all, espe 	ecially a visiting former member, Josée
1.1 AGM	 this year due to the OHS of See the Newsletter for the voted upon at the AGM. Repositions. Mandy will be lift someone is currently in an opportunity to get to ke or less. If unsure, offer to Ann Sunahara is looking for "objects" and other documents of the demonstrations be included version circulated for furtile. In early May an "official" in the AGM you may renewal to Laurie H-C; a content of the AGM in the AG	notice of the AGM will be sent to all. nust be a paid up member. Submit your membership heque post-dated to May 1 is fine. ators must submit to Aurora their annual year-end
1.2 Workshop Revenues	 Treasurer Kathleen Schwa amounted to about \$9,00 	ss informed us that workshop revenues have 0, while salary expenses are \$8,900, with March and tions to the Workshop Team and to the Instructors for
1.3 Grant	grant from the City. The o	ve have received our last instalment of a three year cheque for 2013 totals \$25,600. I will need to be submitted in January 2014.
1.4 Library 1.5 Exhibition & Sale	 Recently a few items that them. A thorough inventory will 	rs on cards for borrowed items is working very well. were thought lost were found shelved with cards in be conducted with the upcoming move. an update, stating that almost all the 14 vendor booths
	are taken for this fall's sal	-

1.6 Web site	The new web site is uploading this evening. Please provide your feedback by			
	emailing the web master from the site.The Newsletters were not accessible but this will be fixed shortly.			
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1.7 The Move &	 See the posted drawings of our new location and provide feedback to Ann 			
Packing	Sunahara Saturday, May 11 th is the day scheduled for packing			
	 Due to the move, come to the May 6th meeting prepared to sign out books for 			
	the summer. Bring your cheque book and your paid up membership card			
1.8 Silent Auction	 The loom and bench for sale in the Studio are being sold by silent auction. Check 			
	it out.			
1.9 Heartwood	 Ann S is selling tickets this evening for a private fundraiser for Heartwood, a 			
Fundraiser	50/50 draw. See Ann S to purchase your tickets, 3 tickets for \$5.			
1.10	To be held an Catandar Mary 4 th accorded a later to the later to the			
1.10 OC Transpo Lost & Found Sale	To be held on Saturday May 4 th , several volunteers are needed to this. Email Ann Sunahara if you are interested.			
Lost & Fourid Sale	Sulfaliala il you ale iliteresteu.			
1.11 OHS	 Our very own Laurie H-C is the Chair of the conference and we are the host guild 			
Conference	along with support from other eastern Ontario guilds			
	 Vendor Mall access is now available on Friday, May 3rd, 4:00 to 6:30 pm, for \$5. 			
	 Ann McElroy will share a list of vendors. There are 2 more vendor spots 			
	remaining.			
	 A Saturday Day Pass is now available. It includes lunch and access to vendors, the juried show and the guild displays for \$65. Register for this through the 			
	committee by emailing info@ovswg.com and Laurie will forward the request.			
	This fee excludes workshops.			
	 Car pooling is encouraged. A sign-up sheet was circulated. 			
	 Fashion Show items are still needed. Please submit your items as soon as 			
	possible. Thank you to those who have responded.			
	 As conference hosting guild, we are hosting the Meet and Greet on the Friday 			
	evening from 8:00 to 10:00, where participants can meet and mingle with all of			
	 the instructors. There will be nibblies and a cash bar. Angela is the Conference Workshop Co-ordinator and provided an update. There 			
	are some spots still available in the pre-conference workshops and some for the			
	in-conference workshops too. If interested, email Angela at			
	angela.mcinnis@gmail.com			
	The Upper Canada Village tour is taking place on the Friday and space is still			
	available.			
	 Our guild display still needs items. Contact Aurora, or bring to the Tuesday or Friday open studio from 10:00 to 4:00 			
1.12 Open Studio	 There will be an Open Studio time during the OHS Conference for those unable 			
during OHS	to attend the conference. The studio will be open Saturday, May 4th from 12:00-			
Conference	4:00 pm and on Sunday, May 5th from 1:00 to 4:00.			

1.13 Community	 Kathleen Schwass provided an update on the Community Table for this year's 				
(Co-op) Table at	Exhibition & Sale.				
Exhibition & Sale	 In order to improve displays, based on feedback, there will be separate areas for each (1) the guild display; (2) the workshop table; and, (3) guild information table (including raffle ticket sales). In addition the Community Table will be a separate table. Begin planning now for items you can make to sell at the Community Table. Ten 				
	percent of sales go to the guild. Items will be juried. Those with items for sale at the table are asked to contribute time at the table over the weekend. • A sign-up sheet was circulated for those who may be interested.				
1.14 Loyalist College	The guild has received flyers for summer courses at Loyalist College.				
1.15 Upcoming workshop	 Our own member, Ride Hanna, will be teaching a needle felting workshop at Wabi Sabi on May 4th. 				
1.16 La triennale international des arts textiles	 Charlotte shared information regarding the upcoming la triennale international des arts textiles en Outaouais 2013. See the web site <u>moonrain.ca</u> for more information. 				
1.17 Program	 Stephanie MacNeill, "Nature's Playroom" provided us with a slide show and 				
	demonstration of her needle felted creations				
	Her work includes: pet portraits, often with their hair; memorial pet sculptures;				
	people sculptures; children's toys; wall hangings; mobiles; play scapes				
	 Her work is for sale through 'SewnNatural' in Ottawa and on Etsy. In addition, 				
	Dharma Trading recently featured her eco-friendly products Her next project is the "100-mile sculpture"				
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1.18 Show & Tell	 Members were asked to please be brief in presenting their Show & Tell items. Jan Scott: shared the hornet's nest which has provided her with colour inspiration 				
	 Ann McElroy: showed us the "square" by which she can take a Visa payment on her cell phone 				
	 Marc Lord & Danielle Coulombe: weaving samplers from recent workshop; first carding with Shropshire fleece 				
	 Denise Furukawa: skein of handspun bamboo silk merino; goal is lace weight 				
	 Kelly MacGregor: klein bottle hat and pattern 				
	 Bernadette Quade: silk-cashmere handspun 				
	Alison James: "I Weave It" drafting software				
	 Merilyn Mulligan: blue wet felted hat finally finished from 2008 workshop 				
	Ride Hanna: needle felted Abe and Lion – progress continues!				
	 Anne Middleton: handspun skeins of silk, silk & mohair, lichen dyes 				
	Elizabeth Watt: dye workshop sample book				
	 Judy Kavanaugh: weaving 				



Ottawa Valley Weavers' and Spinners Guild

2013 Exhibition & Sale

Glebe Community Centre, 175 Third Avenue, Ottawa Friday, November 1, 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM Saturday, November 2, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Sunday, November 3, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Vendors' Application

Telephone:

Email:		Website:	
REQUESTED	(Cost is \$1.80/sq foot, se	chematic with booth #'s	
ooth #	□ 10' x 12' (\$ 21	6) Booth# □	
	REQUESTED	Website: REQUESTED (Cost is \$1.80/sq foot, s	

PAYMENT

Name:

- All vendors must be members of the Ottawa Valley Weavers' and Spinners' Guild
- Booth and membership fees are due May 1, 2013
- Cheques (booth fee and membership (\$40.00) are payable to Ottawa Valley Weavers' and Spinners' Guild and dated May 1st 2013
- Refunds: one half before September 1, 2013, no refund after September 1, 2012
- Send completed form and cheque to: Francesca Overend, 87
 Quinterra Court, Ottawa, ON K1V 1K9

In addition, all vendors agree to:

- Mail out and/or email promotional material to 15 or more clients and distribute bookmarks and flyers
- Commit to an advertising assignment and/or work on Guild displays
- Commit to a helping with set-up or take down at the event weekend
- Forward jpg images of recent work as well as a biography to Annie Jackson at anniejackson@rogers.com to be posted with your permission on the Guild website and for use in sale publicity
- Provide a donation (minimum value \$50.00 per booth) to be used in preparing the raffle basket, or during demonstrations during the year
- First time vendors must undergo a standards control selection process at Guild meeting in June.
- Display equipment for booths not located against a wall cannot exceed 6 feet in height

