Dear Basket Weaving Instructor Extraordinaire!

Tidewater Basketry Guild is inviting you to join us at our annual convention, Guilders Weave 2025. Our Theme is GW25 – It's Weaving Time Somewhere! Our event will be held January 16 – 19, 2025 at the Newport News Marriott at City Center, Newport News VA.

Attached, you will find two documents.

- Teacher Application Form, including the GW2025 Waiver.
- General Information Sheet

We look for a variety of classes that include different weaving techniques, ability levels, use of weaving materials, and price points. Class size is limited to maximum 10 students and teachers establish the minimum number of students. Our event averages about 175 students and we strive for 18 - 20 teachers.

We offer a class on Thursday evening (2-4 hours), a Friday class (6-8 hours), a Saturday class (6-8 hours), and a Sunday class (4-6 hours). You may choose to submit a proposal for any or all the days you would like to teach a class.

As an instructor you are required to provide all materials needed for a student to complete a finished basket and a written pattern for each student.

Proposals are to be submitted via email. You may submit up to 8 baskets for jurying.

We are accepting proposals beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup> through May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

The last day for proposal submission is May 4<sup>th</sup>! Jurying will take place soon thereafter, exact date TBD.

Please pay attention to the deadline!

Detailed information is provided in the General Information Sheet that both newcomers and previous GW teachers may find useful. Topics include registration fee, teacher vending, pre-sale kits, and event evaluation highlights, etc.

Additional information will be posted shortly on the Tidewater Basketry Guild website "tidewaterbasketryguild.org" under the Guilders Weave tab.

We truly hope you will consider joining us at our convention. If you have any questions, please reach out to me by email and include your phone number if you prefer a return call regarding the application or GW in general.

We look forward to hearing from you!!

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