Madison Bead Society

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President Letter - May/June 2022

PLEASE NOTE: Meetings have moved to the 4th Monday through August

The meetings through August 22nd, will be on Mondays instead of Tuesdays at the Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center. This location seems to be working for us. We will return to meeting on the 4^{th} Tuesday when Wil-Mar gets coverage for Tuesdays.

2022 Art Glass and Bead Show - June 3-5 2021

We WILL have a table at the AGBS this year; just outside the vendor hall like last year.

You'll receive an email asking for volunteers for 3 hour shifts on Saturday and Sunday. The vendor hall opens at 10:00 but we need to staff the table starting at 9:00 on Saturday (first shift gets to set up the table), and 9:30 on Sunday to catch early arrivals. The vendor hall closes at 5:00 at Saturday and 4:00 on Sunday. We need 2 people to staff the table to ensure good coverage and so people can take breaks.

Expectations are: Sell grab bags (\$5/bag), offer coat check (\$1/coat or bag, but not expecting a lot of coats in June), and talk to people who walk by about the show, beading, and MBS. Having a project to work on can be a great way to break the ice (I suggest bringing a battery powered light).

May 23, 2022: Even Count Peyote — The Basics

Location: Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center, 504 S. Brearly St. (https://wil-mar.org/), there is parking across the street.

Date and time: MONDAY May 23rd, 6:30 to 8:30, p.m. (Board meeting from 6:00-6:30)

Last month I was overly ambitious with the project I chose. I should have put more information about the project in the letter and I did not factor in how rusty I am in the instructor role. I want to thank the attendees for the feedback; you seemed to enjoy the project but wanted more practice with even count peyote before tackling a project with tiny Delica beads.

Wish granted! I'm more prepared this time and this workshop will focus only on how to do even count peyote and how to read a graph; perfect for beginners. If you are more experienced with peyote, we'll talk about other peyote stitches and sources for patterns.

Supplies: larger seed beads in 3 or 4 colors (size 8 or 6 but make sure the colors you choose are all the same size), beading thread (Nymo, Fireline (6lb), Wildfire, etc.), 2 beading needles, bead mat



Size 6 beads on the left, size 8 on the right, completed earrings from the April meeting in the middle, and a quarter for size comparison.

Bring something for Show And Tell. I'll allow more time this time.



June 27, 2022: Fringe Earrings, an Intro to Brick Stitch

Location: Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center, 504 S. Brearly St. (https://wil-mar.org/), there is parking across the street.

Date and time: MONDAY June 27th, 6:30 to 8:30, p.m. (Board meeting from 6:00-6:30)

Supplies: Delica beads in 3 colors [OR size 10 or 11 seed beads in 3 colors], 6mm bugle beads, clasp for earrings, beading thread (Nymo, Fireline (6lb), Wildfire, etc.), a beading needle, bead mat, scissors [TIP: size 1 bugles are 3mm, size 2 = 6mm, and size 3 = 9mm. The pattern I'm using calls for 9mm bugles but I used 6mm bugles in the blue example below.]

Following a peyote project with a small brick stitch project felt like a great way to show the difference in the two stitches. The pattern I'm using (picture on the right) calls for Delicas but you can use size 10 or 11 seed beads; either way, they are small beads. If you choose seed beads, consistent thickness is important.





University of Wisconsin Hospital Display - May 2021

Four our 16th display at the hospital, Wally reported she collected 121 items from 9 artists. Wonderful! Thank you all! The display is up now. When it's over, you can pick up your pieces at Meant to Bead (specific date TBD) or at the June 27th meeting. Wally pays the 20% donation of all sales to the Hospital's art fund so please DO NOT FORGET to reimburse her.

Upcoming Date to Remember

Some bead-related dates through the end of the year to keep in mind:

- 1) UW Hospital Display (see above)
- 2) MBS meetings @ Wil-Mar: May 23, June 27, July 25, and August 22
- 3) MBS renewal: August (membership runs Sept. 1st to Aug. 31st)
- 4) MBS Officer Election: August 22nd meeting
- 5) Art Glass and Bead Show: June 3-5 (http://beadshowmadison.com/)
- 6) September 26th meeting @ Meant to Bead (project TBD)
- 7) Bead Swap and Sale! At the October 24th meeting so start going through your stash!

Keep beading!

Pat Reichert, President Madison Bead Society