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MOA Deadline  
15th  
August - May

## *From the President's desk...*

Plan to grow in your craft this year. What a great year this is for all the weavers and spinners in Arizona to increase their knowledge and abilities.

The Workshop team has several mini workshops for our guild. The woven Snowflakes by Sylvia Fitzgerald in November right after the meeting should not be missed. She taught this class a number of years ago and I still hang the snowflakes I made in class each Christmas and always get comments on them. Silk Felting will be offered in January and silk dyeing of Easter eggs in March. The workshop team has something for everyone this year. The Pattern Fitting class looked very interesting last month. If you are interested in any of these classes see Bernie Goodrich at the meeting or email her at [bgweave@live.com](mailto:bgweave@live.com).

Bernie will have the supply list and instructions for the Snowflake on line, if you think you might be interested please download the instructions and supply list and plan to stay after the meeting Nov 5.



Registration for Fibers Through Time Conference is under way with 28 classes being offered. Go on line to [www.azfed.org](http://www.azfed.org) for the class list and registration. If you aren't up for a class the speaker for the banquet on Saturday night is always interesting and Friday night there will be a free presentation by Joan Ruane and Jill Holbrook "Cotton: From Plant to Fiber".

HGA's Convergence® 2012 Long Beach California will be held July 15 - 21, 2012. There are 2 grants available to members of HGA to help with expenses. For information go to [www.weavespindye.org](http://www.weavespindye.org), Grants and Scholarships, click on Petrini Grant and Mearl K. Gable II Memorial Grant. One dollar of your guild dues goes to HGA making all ADWSG members a member of HGA. The HGA web site has information for many conferences.

ADWSG offers an Educational Grant each year to members. Applications are due before the March meeting and awarded at the April meeting. The grant is for \$250.00 and the recipient is obligated to give a 45 minute presentation on the grant proposal topic within the next calendar year. The previous year grant winner is not eligible to apply. Application forms are on the back table at Guild meetings or just submit in writing your name, contact information and your proposal (what you want to study and how) to any board member by the March meeting. See you November 5th at 10 AM.

Anita Bellinger  
ADWSG President

**Next Meeting:**  
**November 5th at 10 AM**  
**Northtown Community Center**  
**2202 E. Waltann Lane**  
**Phoenix, AZ**

November Program:  
**"The History of American Indian Clothing"**  
**Presentation by Margaret Wood**

*Refreshment - Daytime Spinners bring the Goodies!*



# November Mini Workshop: *Snowflakes*

## MATERIALS NEEDED:

- 20 strips 1/4" X 6 1/2" - makes small version
- paper ribbon is the easiest to use
- metallic paper ribbon can also be used
- 1/2" X 9" - makes larger version
- scotch tape, masking tape, glue stick or double-sided tape
- scissors



PLEASE cut your ribbon into strips before the workshop to save time.

Bernie Goodrich

## MINI WORKSHOPS

### Mini Workshop for November 3, 2011

#### *Woven Snowflakes*



Sylvia Fitzgerald will be giving this workshop right after the general meeting in November.

The materials needed are listed (see above)

7th.

What: Terry McCook has agreed to give a Mini Silk Felting Workshop for a small fee after the Guild's General Meeting. Silk Fibers are to be provided by the participants. They may be dyed or not dyed. Silk Roving or Hankies are preferred. (no silk caps please).

More information will be forth coming.

What a wonderful way to decorate your holiday packages and tree.



### Mini Workshop for March of 2012 *Silk Dyed Easter Eggs*

### Mini Workshop for January 7, 2012

#### *Silk Felting*

When: After the January general meeting on January

When: March 2012 (exact date to be announced).

What: Sylvia Fitzgerald will present the Silk Dyed Easter Egg workshop.



## INTEREST GROUPS

### *DAYTIME SPINNERS*

First Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at Northtown Community Center, 2202 E. Waltann Lane, Phx, 85022. Bring your luncheon/ beverage, & join us for a day of spinning. Contact Georgian Ferrante. [georgianf@cox.net](mailto:georgianf@cox.net) or 480-948-3705 for more information. All levels of spinners are welcome.



### *WONDER!!!FUL WEAVERS STUDY GROUP*

Third Wednesday of the month at 10:30 AM at the Northtown Community Center, 2202 E. Waltann Lane, Phoenix. Contact Sybil Yastrow for more information at 480-488-0523 or [sybil@yastrow.com](mailto:sybil@yastrow.com)



Where: It will be held at Sylvia's home. Details will be announced.

Information and sign up sheet at the general meetings. As you can see these are beautiful.

Thanks,  
Bernie Goodrich  
[bgweave@live.com](mailto:bgweave@live.com)



## LITTLE DRESSES PROJECT



For those who took home the Little Dresses Project, please be sure to bring back your completed dresses. Jan will be collecting them for charity.

Thanks to all those who found the time in their busy schedule to participate in this wonderful program.



## AZ State Fair Update!

Congratulations to members of the Guild who received ribbons for AZ State Fair entries:



Anita Bellinger  
Helene Charles  
Susan Clark  
Doris Damm  
Georgian Ferrante  
Jan Lundstrom

Elaine Rowles  
Karen Sadow  
Lisa Takata  
Nancy Wanek  
Beki Welsch  
Caroline Wise

By participating, you have helped tremendously in keeping the spinning and weaving categories on the State Fair competition. Great job, everyone!

## November Program: Margaret Wood

We are honored to introduce Margaret Wood, our November program presenter. Margaret has Navajo and Oklahoma Seminole heritage. Her mother was Towering House Clan and her maternal grandfather was Salt Clan. Her Seminole father was Tiger or Mountain Lion Clan.

Margaret began her career sewing doll clothes at age 9. In high school and college she made most of her own clothes. She holds degrees in Elementary Education and Library Science. She taught school in Ft Defiance in the early 1970's and worked at Navajo Community College in the mid 70's as Director of Library Services.



Photos courtesy of Margaret Wood's website gallery: <http://www.margaretwood.net/>

She began designing updated versions of tribal clothing for herself and eventually wrote a book entitled, **NATIVE AMERICAN FASHION:**

**MODERN ADAPTATIONS OF TRADITIONAL WEAR.** Her book was published in 1981. Shortly after that she started her business making and selling women's clothing and also quilts.

Margaret and her husband raised two sons of whom they

are most proud.

Today her creative emphasis is quilting but she still makes some wearable art. Her clothing is available on her website and through Navajo Spirit in Gallup, NM.

Her quilts can be seen in museum shows around the country. Check schedules on her website, [www.Margaretwood.net](http://www.Margaretwood.net)

Don't miss this meeting!

## Workshops and Events -



The Eastsiders is both a physical and a virtual group (OLE - OnLineEastsiders). Our purpose is a pursuit of a focused and in-depth approach to weaving and related

fiber arts -- for beginners as well as advanced.

The physical group will hold its next meeting on November 19 at Tanque Verde Lutheran Church, Tucson.

Commencing January 2012 we will study a specific area related to weaving, that is, a structure, specific threadings, or perhaps a type of effect, etc. This is purely an optional study to which group members can opt in or not.

No dues are currently required. All are welcome. For information, as it becomes available, and to be included on a list to receive what we hope will grow to be an educational and informative newsletter, please contact [info@eastsiders.org](mailto:info@eastsiders.org)

Thanks  
Marg Coe

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Weavers are invited to submit entries to “Complex Weavers: Glamour, Glitter, Glitz”, a traveling, juried exhibit opening at the Hellada Gallery in Long Beach, CA in July of 2012 to coincide with Convergence sponsored by the Handweavers Guild of America. The show then travels to the Kaplan Gallery at the VisArts Center in Rockville, MD where it will be open during the Complex Weavers and the Textile Society of America seminars and conferences.

Complex Weavers supports handweavers using weave structures and interlacements beyond plain weave. Complex handwoven structures, regardless of device used to weave them, are welcome.

The jurors, Patrice George, Sandra Rude, and Bhakti Ziek, will evaluate images based on incorporation of the theme, originality and diversity of weave structure, technical excellence, aesthetics, and visual impact.

Download the prospectus and entry form at [www.complex-weavers.org](http://www.complex-weavers.org) . For further information, contact [VicePres1@complex-weavers.org](mailto:VicePres1@complex-weavers.org) or phone US-719-488-3716.



# Holiday Live and Silent Auctions

Arizona Desert Weavers and Spinners Guild  
December 3, 2011



Auction Items by Local Artistans Including

- Wearable Art
- Gourmet Foods
- Fiber Supplies

Northtown Community Center  
2202 E. Waltann Lane  
Phoenix, AZ 85022

From Cave Creek and Greenway Roads, turn right on 22nd Street, then right on Waltann Lane and then right to parking lot on left side of Waltann Lane.

10 AM to 12 Noon  
Refreshments Including Traditional Holiday Treats  
Only Checks Accepted, Please



# Southwest Fiber Festival

Vendors • Livestock • Classes

**4th annual Southwest Fiber Arts Festival & Gathering**  
**November 5th, 2011 • 10:00am ~ 3:30pm**  
**at the Tubac Presidio State Historic Park**  
**1 Burruel Street • Tubac, Arizona**

Come and join in the fun!

(For more information, see link: <http://www.southwestfiberfestival.com/membership.php>)

**Fibers Thru Times 2012**  
**April 19th - 22, 2012**  
**InnPlace Phoenix North**  
**10220 North Metro Parkway East**  
**Phoenix, AZ**

Conference Package includes:

- 2½-Day workshop Friday night dinner
- Lunch - Friday and Saturday

- Saturday night banquet
- Thursday evening reception

Early Bird registrations must be received by midnight of Sunday December 18, 2011.

Member rates available to those individuals belonging to a guild affiliated with the Arizona Federation of Weavers and Spinners Guilds.

All registration closes on February 4, 2012.

## Holiday Silent/Live Auction

Do you recognize that sometimes events take on a life of their own?

Our Holiday Auction 2011 has morphed into a Spinner's Extravaganza. This is of course due to the generous donation by the family of our dear member Marge Millsap. The partial catalog will be available at the November meeting. If you are a spinner, or want to be a spinner, this auction is for you! Trust me! Read the catalog.

There are already exciting donations for those not so interested in spinning. Our speaker for the October meeting, Corrine McAuley, has donated a wonderful miniature Navajo loom with partially completed Storm Pattern rug. The loom is signed. This will be a

live auctioned item.

Our President, Anita Bellinger has donated one of her beautiful rugs.

Our Vice President has donated a hand woven scarf. Colleen East, a past President, has donated a set of glass pieces.

Helene Dammen, our auctioneer, has donated a coiled basket.

All this before the November meeting! All good stuff! Save your money and get ready to do your Holiday Shopping!

~ Jan Lundstrom



Karen's Business,  
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## ~ CLASSIFIED ADS ~

### For Sale:

For Sale: Kromski Prelude Spinning wheel. Includes 3 bobbins, Lazy Kate, Regular Flyer plus High speed Flyer. Walnut Finish. \$400.00  
Shipping not possible. Located in Mesa, AZ.  
Contact: Ruth Teller at [rbteller@msn.com](mailto:rbteller@msn.com).



### ADWSG Jewelry

Silver logo pins and earrings are available for purchase at the monthly meetings. The "sheep with the woven coat" pins are \$20, and earrings are \$40. See Elaine Rowles to purchase them.



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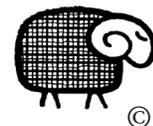
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## CALENDAR EVENTS

- October 14 - November 6, 2011 - **Arizona State Fair** - 1826 W. McDowell Road, Phoenix AZ 85007. Info Exhibit link: <http://azstatefair.com/exhibitors/competitive.aspx>
- November 5th, 2011 - **4th Annual Southwest Fiber Festival** - Tubac, AZ. For more information on vendors, location, etc., see link: <http://www.southwestfiberfestival.com/>
- November 12, 2011 - **The Holiday Show and Sale** presented by the Mountain Spinners & Weavers Guild and Prescott Area Woodturners at the Hassayampa Inn in beautiful downtown Prescott; from 10-4 pm. Info link: <http://www.mtnspinweave.org/>
- May 10 - August 12, 2012 - **HGA's Small Expressions 2012** - Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA. Info link: <http://www.weavespindye.org/pages/?p=HGASmallExpressions.html&loc=3-13-00&loc=1-61-00>
- July 15 - 21, 2012 - **HGA's Convergence 2012** - Long Beach, California. Information link: <http://www.weavespindye.org/?loc=8-00-00>

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15th of every month

From August to May

Visit our guild's website: <http://www.adwsg.org>

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