



SPRINGFIELD FIBER ARTISTS
LOCATION: THE LIBRARY CENTER
4653 S. CAMPBELL AVE. SPRINGFIELD, MO
MEETING DATE: AUGUST 19, 2026, AT 6:30 p.m.
IN THE AUDITORIUM

Hello Fiber Artists,

It was good seeing everyone at our July meeting. We had 11 members present, plus 1 visitor. Everyone loved Irene's program twining over a fabric warp to create a woven hot pad. Several members sent me photos of their finished project and I've included them at the end of the newsletter.

NO FORMAL PROGRAM IN AUGUST, JUST FUN, FUN, FUN!

Carol M-C will be available to help you finish up the pine needle weaving vessel from the June meeting, and Irene L. will bring looms and materials for those who missed the July meeting, since so many of our members were traveling, vacationing, plus family obligations. Thank you, Carol and Irene, for volunteering to help members finish their projects in August.



Pine Needle Tray



Twined Woven Hot Pad

Some of the Twined Hot Pot Pads that members finished in July.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Since our Vice President couldn't be with us in August, she sent us a written request which we will share with each of you.

SFA Members:

Please search your heart and mind and ask yourself if you would be open to hosting a program this coming year! Remember, you are never too new or too experienced, too young or too old, to present a topic. You just need to have that little bit of extra research and/or subject expertise in something you would enjoy sharing with the rest of us. If the thought of public speaking has you quaking in your boots, maybe we can find a buddy to assist you? It's less scary when you can lean on each other! We have had multiple requests for the following subjects to be explored:

Inkle loom weaving
Painting on fiber and on silk
Felting, both wet and nuno
Continental knitting, how-to
Dyeing fiber
Drafting sleeves, how-to
Basketry
Weaving

Right now, the 2026-2027 calendar is wide open. If you are ready to commit, THANK YOU! I will reach out to you later to chat about it.

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Two of our members did sign up to present a program for next year when we passed around Karen's request. Now it is time for each of you to consider what you might share with the guild. You could even team up with another member to present a program. Please share your talent with others.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CALL FOR FIBER ART

The Springfield Regional Arts Council (SRAC) will be hosting a “Fiber” show during the month of August. The show will be open to all fiber artists, mediums, and styles. Each artist may submit up to 3 fiber articles, which they and may sale. Items may be dropped off at the Creamery July 30-31, from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The opening public ceremony will be August 7, 2026, from 5-7 p.m..

For more complete information, SRAC website is: **springfieldarts.org**

Email contact: claire@springfieldarts.org or call 417-862-2787

Location: The Creamery, 411 N. Sherman Pkwy. Springfield, MO 65802

MISSOURI FIBER ARTISTS (MoFA) RETREAT

Dates: August 7-9, 2026

Location: Kansas City Art Institute, Kansas City, MO

Website: www.missourifiberartists.org

“1860’S LIFESTYLES EXPOSITION”

PRESENTED BY GRAY/CAMPBELL FARMSTEAD

Date: September 19, 2026

SFA will reserve the tables, chairs,& tents with the Farmstead.

Members may sell any of their fiber items if they have a Springfield business license. You may sign up at the August 19th meeting as the deadline is August 20 to reserve a space. For more information, you may contact Pat Walden at 417-840-0747 or email: pkwalden@live.com

I picked them up at the end of an SFA meeting several months ago and they got lost in the bottom of my tote bag. If they belong to you, please let me know and I will get them to you (Pat Walden 417-840-0747).



We hope to see each of you at our August 19th meeting

Many Thanks,

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