



SPRINGFIELD FIBER ARTISTS
LOCATION: THE LIBRARY CENTER
4653 S. CAMPBELL AVE. SPRINGFIELD, MO
FEB 19, 2025 - TIME: 6:30 P.M. IN COMMUNITY ROOM A

Hello Fiber Artists,

We certainly hope each of you made it through the cold, the ice, the snow, and more cold the past 3 weeks. It's good seeing the sunshine, and more normal temps this week. Lets hope February 19th is a mild winter evening so we may meet. We will be meeting in Community Room A this month, so bring your handwork to occupy your time as we gather. Don't forget to bring something for "Show and Tell" too. There will be no formal program, but just lots of visiting and fun. Dardi is still looking for workshop ideas, and wanted to let folks know that two other suggestions have been made. Here's what options we discussed last month: Inkle Loom, Indigo Dye, Beaded Kumihimo, Hand Stitching project, and two others were made this week. They are Fiber Ice Dying, and Fiber Coiling. They all sound wonderful, and if you have any other suggestions, please let Dardi know (Text her at 417-840-7558).

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, KAREN ADAMS, WHO WRITES:

I wanted to say THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart for your thoughts and prayers as I have undergone my neck surgery in Kansas City. I am home now and recovering nicely. I already have my eye on some beads and supplies to spend that gift card on - you all are such a treasure to me. I am anxious to be back with you soon. Take care and keep making those fiber arts!

Karen

We are also sending out the information a second time regarding Emmie Seaman's fiber art displays in two locations for the month of February. I know many of you are planning to attend the opening reception at the Creamery on February 7... see below.

EMMIE SEAMAN WRITES:

Currently I have a piece hanging in the Springfield Regional Arts Council gallery at the Springfield- Branson Airport. It is there in Dec, Jan and Feb.

In addition: I have been selected as one of nine to participate in the exhibit described below.

"A quick reminder: there will be no *First Friday Art Walk* in January. Instead, join us on February 7 (5:00 - 7:00 p.m.) for the opening reception of [You Should Know](#) at The Creamery

Arts Center! This exclusive exhibition highlights 9 talented SRAC-member artists, selected by our Visual Arts Committee, showcasing their diverse and captivating works. Featured artists include Annie Donohue, Brandy Harris, Christine West, Debra McCamish, Emmie Seaman, Freeman Payne, Jared Farouki, Kevin Richardson, and Mary Passeri. Let's celebrate their exceptional artistry together!" The "You Should Know" click above is to the SRAC Facebook page giving more details.

Emmie

Since I forgot to take any photos of the fiber items in January, I had asked folks to send me photo of what they've been working on since the holidays are over. Here are some of the wonderful things our members have been doing:

Becky Taggart was working on these cute hats to be donated to some lucky babies:



Cotton infant beanies in cotton self-stripping yarn.

Dardi Smith has been experimenting with designs for a beginner ribbed basket that she will be teaching in the late summer at the Basket Guild. This type of basket is called an “egg basket,” because when used to gather eggs, the eggs nestle between the ribs on either side of the handle, and won’t roll around.



Barbara Vicente brought this unusual “Creature” to “Show and Tell” in February. It is the top of a gourd that she wove around and created arms of an Octopus. She also was working on a coiled centerpiece for another gourd project. How creative is that!



Woven Octopus



Coiled Gourd on the front and top

Rossanna White writes:

“I’ve named this basket “The Forever Basket,” because it seemed to take forever to weave. It was a very challenging spiraling 3/2/1/1 twill pattern on the bottom section.”



“Forever Basket”



One of Rossanna’s woven silk scarfs in the basket.

Carol Scott writes:



“ Spinning yarn for Weaving tea towels”



“ Finished spinning my alpaca/silk with mohair”



“Dyed some fiber and yarn with Dianne Six”

Pat Walden Writes:

I've been doing some new bead weaving designs in recent weeks. Here are some of the new designs. The little Snowman bowl filled with peppermints I wove as an experiment. I decided I needed a wider brim on the hat, but it looks okay for a first try at making it.



Top Two are "3 Drop Peyote Stitch"
Bottom Two are "Traditional Peyote Stitch"



Snowman Hat Basket Bowl

Hope to see everyone February 19, 2025.

Many Thanks,

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