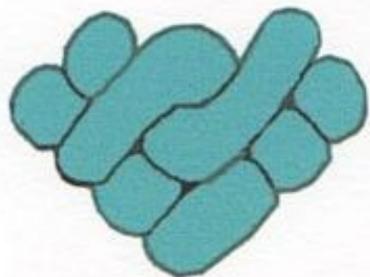


February
2026



Harvest Loom

Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc.

a.k.a. Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

Saturday, February 14, 2026

at 9:00 am

NEW MEETING PLACE

We have changed our meeting place. We will be meeting at Good Samaritan Lutheran Church at the Lakes, 8200 W. Sahara at the NW corner of Cimarron and Sahara. Map in January newsletter.

In person meeting: NEW MEETING PLACE

Zoom will be available: Diana Smith will be sending you a link before February 14, 2026.

Please EMAIL photos to Diana for Show and Tell.

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS:

After the business meeting, about 9:45 am, Janet and Vicki will present a mini workshop on Locker Hooking. They will hold a hands-on mini workshop on the technique of Locker Hooking. It does not require expensive materials or equipment. This rug making technique was used in England in the early 1900's. It is done on a cotton canvas backing. Loops are drawn up through squares in the canvas with a needle/hook. Australia revived this craft using unspun wool. That is what they plan to use in February. It makes a sturdy fabric good for rugs, cushion covers, trivets, wall hangings and tote bags. Small projects are transportable and good tv watching handwork.

Vicky and Janet have canvas and plenty of wool. If you own a locker hooking needle please bring it. They do have several which are available for \$5.00.



2026 Guild Meetings—SAVE THE DATE

March 14, 2026: Navajo Churro Wool Study
Presented by Dani

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Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.

Minutes of the January 10, 2026 Meeting

A meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held on January 10, 2026, at Good Samaritan Lutheran Church (The Lakes campus) in person and on Zoom.

Attending in person: Janet Mayers, Hermi Hiatt, Elizabeth LaRue, Stephanie Peters, Rich Deppe, Ginny Deppe, Vicki Johnson, Danielle Hanson, Meg Harrington, Cinda Towne, Elaine Eggink, Sara Wiegard, Emily Buchwald, Stephanie Bryant, Maria Ipharr, Charmonte Malbon, German Martin Martin, Victoria Perez O, Diana Smith, Jami Johnson, Susan Wainscott, Lori Lee, Charles Parker, Lee Rossi, Billi Gre-main, Monica Linton, Laura Rosales, Jo Johnson, Mickey Johnson.

Attending on Zoom: Jodell Larimer, Sandy Gillies, TJ King, Isar King.

Rich called the meeting to order at 9:10 and welcomed members & guests. Also welcomed our returning member, Lee Rossi. We now have name tags, so that should help with learning everyone's names.

Approval of Minutes: Charles moved the November minutes appearing in the December newsletter be accepted. The motion was seconded by Hermi. (Note – there was no meeting in December). It passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

Treasurer and Membership: Cinda reported that the Guild checking account currently has \$6,087.64. We had a very good addition to the treasury after the auction at the December Brunch.

Committee Reports

Newsletter - Hermi reported that the newsletter is going well. She has been notified that Publisher, the Microsoft program she uses, will not have technical help as of October. She is looking for a new program to use. Canva was mentioned, and Hermi is looking for other recommendations, free or minimal cost.

Workshops - Meg announced that we are sponsoring 3 one-day workshops on Inkle weaving by Annie MacHale. Each day is independent of the others, and anyone can take any 1, 2 or all 3 days. The workshops will be held May 1, 2, and 3, 9am to 4pm, at Lorelle's home. March 1 is the non-refundable deadline: any money paid before then is refundable by March 1, any new registrants after March 1 is not refundable. Janet suggested, Meg moved, and Rich seconded that the Guild pay the \$5 materials fee

per weaver per class. This passed unanimously. Any questions? Meg will be happy to answer!

Programs - Maria reported that all the programs have been assigned for each meeting through June and she is working on ones for the Fall. We will have locker hooking with Janet and Vicki in February, Navajo Churro Wool Study with Dani in March, and in April, a Zoom talk about inkle weaving by Jennifer Williams, see inkledpink.com.

Raffle - Ginny reported she has lots of stuff, lots of good stuff! Come and buy some raffle tickets!

Historian – Elaine is looking for a replacement for the position of Guild Historian. Please contact her for a description of the position – it's not difficult!

Web and Social Media – Sue reported that the website is up to date and has had 366 visitors in the last 30 days! Lots of folks are finding us! If you have anything to add to the website, please contact Sue Wainscott.

Equipment and Library - Janet brought some books from the Guild's library – feel free to take something interesting home: sign it out on the clipboard and bring it back next month. And if you wonder what is available to borrow, consult Library Thing; directions for use are in every newsletter and on the website, behind the member paywall. Current equipment rents for \$35.00/month: 3 table looms and a Baby Wolf.

Study Groups and Continual Educational Demonstrations:

Spinning Circle/Band Group at Sahara West Library Wednesdays 10 am – almost every Wednesday. If you would like to be on the email list, sent every Tuesday as a reminder or to let you know if the meeting has been canceled (usually because the library has a big event and needs the space), please let Janet know.

RH Study Group – they are planning to do a 6 month study. Place and dates to be determined. If you have any questions, contact Maria!

Scientific Dye Study Group – Cinda, Janet and Jami are spearheading this, and are working out details now. We will be dyeing with MX dyes – used for cotton, linen, tencel, and silk, *not wool*. Every participant will have a 36 step color circle, all created by 3 primary colors. If you are interested, please contact 1 of the leaders. We hope to have our first meeting by the end of January.

New Business: Rich reminded us that we have shifted the Annual Meeting from June to the May meeting. This was

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Show & Tell January 2026

- Top left to right: crockpot-dyed woven scarf by Rich, twill scarf by Janet, and German spinning agave fiber
- Janet showing another twill scarf, pattern from #323-2 in Strickler's 8-shaft pattern book.
- Bottom left to right: socks by Charles, Ginny's support spindle equipment, and Charmonte's Tunisian crochet hats.

Photos by Janet and others



Important Announcement

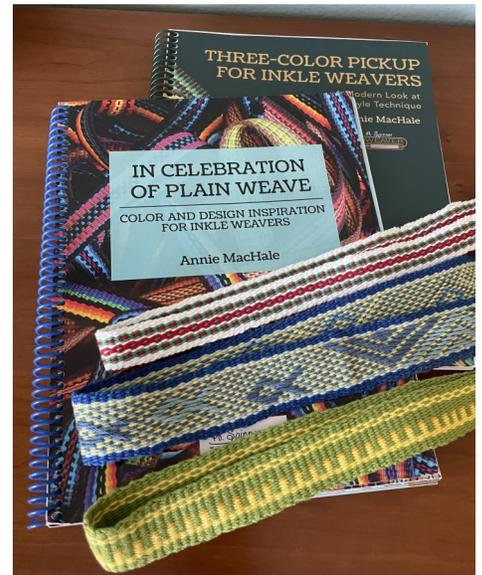
Annie MacHale will be teaching 3 days of hands-on, in person inkle weaving workshop early May 2026.

Day 1 - Color, Design and Weave on an Inkle Loom 9am to 4pm

Day 2 - Speckled Pickup (aka Baltic Pickup) 9am to 4pm

Day 3 - Three-Color Pickup 9 am to 4 pm

For more information talk to Meg or Janet. Meg is taking sign-ups as of January 1, 2026.



ODDS and ENDS

Found on the Internet by members, thank you all for the info !!!

- **Cinda:** FOR SALE brand new copy of "Yarnitecture" by Jillian Moreno, \$25. This is a really good book for beginning or near-beginning students with lots of pictures and ideas. I misplace my original copy (with my notes). Of course, as soon as the new copy arrived, I found the original. (I hate Murphy.) Contact Cinda if interested.
- **Sue:** the UNLV Libraries Makerspace is interested in providing an introduction to needle felting workshop for students, and would welcome small volumes of a variety of felt-able fibers in multiple colors. Please contact Sue Wainscott if you would like to contribute.

- **Cinda: GUILD AWARDS PROGRAMS**

Some fiber vendors will rebate a portion of their members' orders to the guild, but they have to know which guild you belong to when you order. The processes are different for each vendor.

Halcyon Yarn (www.halcyonyarn.com): Mention your membership in the "Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc." in the Comments section when you place your online order. That's how we're listed in their program.

The Woolery (www.woolery.com): Go to the Resources page on the Guild website (fiberartsguildlv.org), click on Online Stores, then the link for The Woolery.

Once a year the Guild will get a check for 5% of the combined orders of our Guild members. Cinda

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voted and approved. The May meeting will be a Brunch Potluck. Hermi will be demo-ing tablet weaving in June.

Upcoming Demos: Vicki reported that nothing is set yet, but Pioneer Days might be moving to April, instead of October. She will let us know as soon as she knows about our participation.

HGA Guild Development Retreat (Zoom): Janet announced that the biannual retreat given by Handweaving Guild of America will be the end of the month – sorry for the late announcement, but she just found out, and knows very little about the theme or the discussion groups. She has attended all the recent ones and has found them very helpful. It is possible to bounce in and out and only listen to the talks that you’re interested in. Meg, Cinda and Rich expressed interest in participating.

Vendor Awards Program: Cinda told us about this opportunity for the Guild to get some donations from 2 vendors that we possibly use: Halcyon and The Woolery. If you order from Halcyon, use their website and put S Nevada Handweavers in the comment box. When you are ready to purchase from the Woolery, go to our website and click on the link – that alerts them that the order is from a participating guild member. Thank you!

Next Meeting is February 14, Valentine’s Day.

After adjournment, we will have refreshments, a Zoom presentation by TJ King giving us a talk about supported spindle spinning, Show and Tell, and the Raffle.

Adjourn: There being no other business, the meeting was ended at 9:30.

Submitted

BY: /S/ JAMI JOHNSON, SECRETARY

Spinning Circle at West Sahara Library meets most Wednesdays 10-12

Please let us know if you plan to join the spinning group, just reply to emails so we know you will come. Our mission is to enable anyone interested in fibers.



Library Thing— How to access the Library:

Go to the Guild website www.fiberartsguildlv.org. On top of the Home page, click LIBRARY.

You can either download the pdf of the Library catalog, or scroll down to the Online Library Database which has a search feature to quickly find what you are looking for.

We have lots of books, and you can easily search the Library Thing with their search feature top right.

Title	Author	Date	Tags
16 harness patterns : the fanciest twills of all : from the weaving notebooks of Fred A. Pennington	Irene K. Wood	1976	
African fabric crafts : sources of African design and technique	Esther Warner Dendel	1974	Africa, fabric
The Alden Amos Big Book of Handspinning: Being A Compendium of Information, Advice, and Opinions On the Noble Art & Craft	Alden Amos	2001	spinning

2025 Board and Committees

Officers:

- President: Richard Deppe
- Vice President: Danielle Hanson
- Secretary: Jami Johnson
- Treasurer: Cinda Towne

Committees:

- Newsletter Editor: Hermi Hiatt
- Hospitality: Vicki Johnson
- Membership: Cinda Towne
- Equipment: Janet Mayers
- Librarian: Janet Mayers
- Historian: open
- Programs: Maria and Rich
- Workshops: Meg and Janet
- Web Master: Sue Wainscott
- Raffle: Ginny Deppe
- Zoom Master: Diana Smith

LAS VEGAS FIBER ARTS GUILD MEMBERSHIP FORM

Today's date: _____

Please enroll me in the Fiber Arts Guild for the year ending June 30, 20____.

_____ \$25.00 dues for General Membership

_____ \$30.00 dues for Families (one email address)

Membership half price after January for new members only.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone (2 max): _____

Email: _____

What fiber techniques are you involved with? _____

What equipment and software do you use in your fiber efforts? _____

Checks payable to **Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild** (please do not abbreviate). Mail to:

Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

P.O. Box 370604

Las Vegas, NV 89137

Or email completed form to lvfiberartsguild@gmail.com and pay your dues at one of our meetings.

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