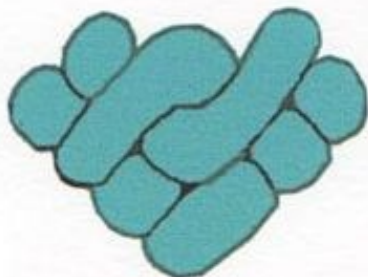


October
2024



Harvest Loom

Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc.

a.k.a. Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

You are invited to the 3rd Vegas Deppe Dye Day & Potluck
SATURDAY October 12th, 9am till....

This is a *social* event with **colorful** results - a D I Y dye day!

If you accept this invitation, your participation is REQUIRED. There will be multiple Dye Stations set up, from immersion pots, tables for hand painting and crock-pots, to Shibori whatever you want to do! Remember, you can over dye anything. And, if you are clueless about dying.....join the club. It's kind of learn as you go – ask questions – and above all, have fun!

Because of the preparation required, **YOU MUST RSVP**... (text or email) Bring a food item to share with the group. This can be anything you would normally bring to a picnic (or Banquet!)

Here is a list of dye supplies you can bring, and how to prepare fibers the day before:

1. Something to dye – fiber, fabric, yarn, pet chicken (just kidding, kind of),
2. crock pot ***dedicated to dye***, if you have one (Thrift stores are a good source),
3. Plastic bags to bring wet things home and Gallon jug (or two) of vinegar
4. Soak your protein fiber evening before, optional, it saves time
5. Ice Dyeing: depending how much you want to dye, please bring 10-20 lb of cubed ice

**MORE
DETAILS
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What we ***might*** need: (if you have one or more, let Ginny know): Extra folding tables, and Timer

Our address: 8308 Mount Logan Court, Las Vegas, 89131

Ginny's cell #: 805-236-9993, and email: furbunny@outlook.com

Oh, BTW – did I mention that we'd really appreciate it if you **RSVP**?!!? Questions?? – let us know when you RSVP. You will get a confirmation from us the week before with any additional information we might have to share.

Car pooling would help the parking situation.

NOTE: IF you can help set up on Friday, 10/11 please let me know!
There is lots to do and not all of it heavy lifting objects.

Fall 2024 Guild Meetings – SAVE THE DATES

November 9, 2024: Block Weave and Profile Drafts by Jill
Staubit jfstaubit@gmail.com

December 14, 2024: Holiday Party, Potluck and gift exchange

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Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.

Minutes of the September 14, 2024 Meeting

A meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held on September 14, 2024, in person at All Saint's Episcopal Church and on Zoom.

Attending in-person were Maurine Adrezin, Allen Adrezin, Brenda Beaman, Susan Beaman, Stephanie Bryant, Emily Buchwald, Mina Campos, Ginny Deppe, Rich Deppe, Elaine Eggink, Lianna Fitzpatrick, Sarah Freeman, Hermi Hiatt, Stephanie Jaeger-Stanley, Vickie Johnson, Isar King, Elizabeth LaRue, Lori Lee, Janet Mayers, Charles Parker, Stephanie Peters, Elizabeth Preston, Laurie Ruben, Audrey Strehlow, Cinda Towne, Elaine Morris, and Sara Weigard
Attending on Zoom: Sue Wainscott

President, Rich Deppe called the meeting to order at 9:08 am by welcoming all.

The meeting program has been changed due to our Zoom leaders having to be elsewhere. Stephanie Bryant has volunteered to be our Zoom person today. Thank you, Stephanie. We will see a Textiles and Tea episode this month. The program from Jill Staubitz on Block Weaves and Profile Drafts will be rescheduled.

Approval of Minutes: Charles moved and several members seconded that we approve the June minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

REPORTS

Treasurer and Membership Report: Cinda reported that we have \$4018.69 in our checking account. Dues for next year are now being accepted, and please remember to use *Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild Inc.* on the 'pay to' line. Cinda is accepting dues today, checks preferred, but cash accepted.

Committee Reports

Newsletter: Hermi announced that the next newsletter will be in October. If anyone has submissions for the newsletter, please let Hermi know by October 1.

Workshops: Maurine has been working with Kathleen Waln as a potential teacher of dyeing.

Raffle: Ginny brought an eclectic mix for today's raffle and there are two looms for silent auction which will start at a bid of \$25.

Historian: Elaine stated there is nothing new to report.

Web and Social Media: Charles and Stephanie B. are our web and social media people for today.

Equipment and Library: Janet reported that the Guild's Library is in her home – if there is anything you are interested in, please contact Janet to arrange a time to visit!

You can see the list on the Guild's website under Library Thing. She has brought DVD's and a few books today – please check them out. The list of guild equipment is on the website. Contact her if you would like to use any item.

Study Groups: The Spinning Circle continues to meet at the Sahara West Library from 10am to noon on Wednesdays. The Rigid Heddle group met in the Sahara Library lobby for September. It usually meets on the second Wednesday of the month at Laurie Ruben's home; the next meeting is October 9, 10am to noon. There is some instruction and lots of encouragement in this group. We will consider a group project for this coming year possibly with recycled cashmere.

October Meeting: will be on October 12 at the Deppe house, Dye Day.

Demonstrations: October 5 is the Spring Mountain Ranch's **Pioneer Days**. The plan is to go up to the old houses and demonstrate spinning, card weaving, loom weaving, and any other fiber crafts you might have available!

Nevadaween will take place at the Old Mormon Fort on October 26.

Old Business:

IWC: Intermountain Weavers Conference will be in Albuquerque June 17-21, 2025. We have finalized our contribution to IWC's Goody bags. We need to create approximately 250 Mug Rugs – aim for 3.5-inch squares in some fiber related technique!

Drop Spindles: Hermi has drop spindles created by a local woodworker for sale. They are quite beautiful.

Pomegranate Festival: Moapa Valley Art Guild will hold its annual Pomegranate and Art Festival on November 1-2, 2024 at the Clark County Fair Ground in Logandale.

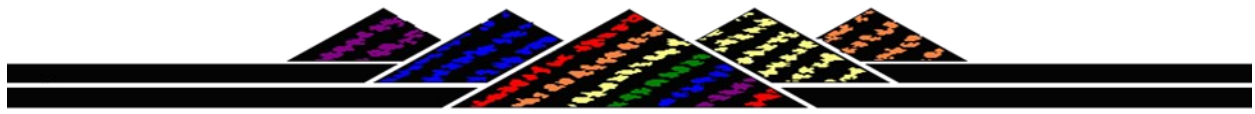
Dye Day: is planned for October – this will take place in Rich and Ginny's backyard. Bring food to share and items to dye. They will need help setting up the day before. Ginny will send out invitations with details.

Skein Exchange: Cinda has put all entered skeins in identical paper bags. The exchange will take place as soon as the meeting is adjourned. A total of eleven bags were submitted.

Adjourn: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30. Refreshments, raffle ticket buying and the drawing, Show and Tell followed the meeting. The Textiles and Tea episode featuring Rabbit Goody was shown. Rabbit owns and operates Thistle Hill Weavers and is an expert in historical textiles.

Submitted

BY: Janet Mayers, sitting in for JAMI JOHNSON, SECRETARY



WHAT IS IWC?

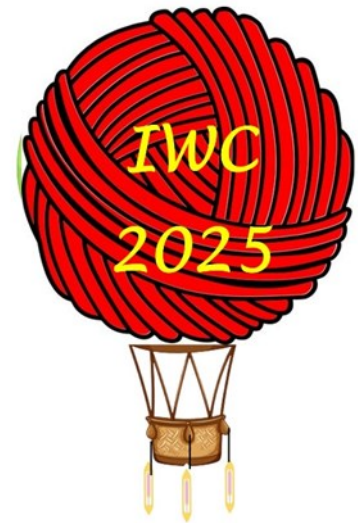
IWC, Intermountain Weavers Conference was founded for the purpose of offering conferences related to weaving, spinning, dyeing, and other fiber arts, the first conference was held at Fort Lewis College in 1983, and a conference has been held every two years since then, except for the cancellation of the 2021 conference due to COVID. The Intermountain member states are Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, and Utah. Although IWC represents the intermountain region, the conference is open to all and has had attendees from all over the world. This wonderful event includes workshops, exhibits, vendor market, fashion show, silent auction and raffle baskets.

IWC 2025 will be held **17-21 June 2025** at the Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque NM. The IWC board is excited to host the Intermountain Weavers Conference at the Convention Center, since it includes all classes and events in one location. The Convention Center has easy access from highways and the large airport. The Conference will start Tuesday June 17, 2025, and end Saturday June 21, 2025.

IWC will hold Zoom classes throughout 2024 for current members. **If you are not a member yet**, you should sign up to get access to the Zoom classes. You can ask questions regarding membership to Hermi or Janet, both are board members for IWC board, or visit the website link below.

The IWC board will be holding a Zoom meeting on Saturday, December 7, at 6:30 pm MT. There will be more information on this and other zoom meetings in the November Guild newsletter.

IWC MEMBERSHIP: your membership supports the programs and helps further the goals of IWC. Membership in IWC is required to register for the conference and Zoom meetings. All memberships start the first of January and run for 2 years. Membership categories include single (\$25), Family (\$45), Friend of IWC (\$50), and Patron of IWC at \$100. Visit the website <https://www.intermountainweavers.org/>



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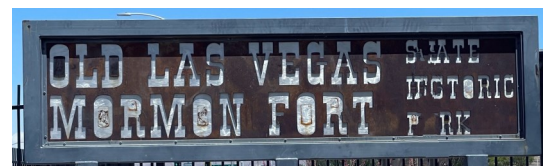
Upcoming Events

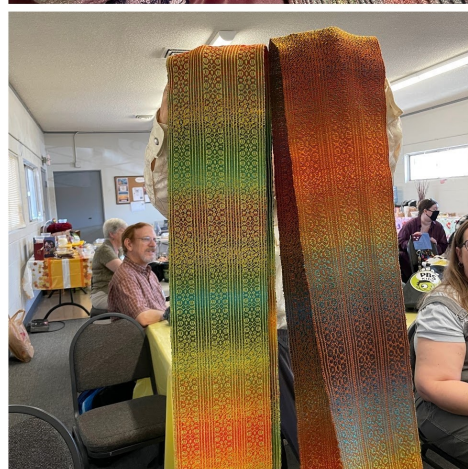
PIONEER DAY October 5th: details were announced by separate email end of September. We will go up to the old houses and demonstrate spinning, card weaving, loom weaving, and other fiber arts.



OLD MORMON FORT: Nevadaween October 26:

several Guild members will be showing spinning and weaving at the Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort. Details will be announced before October 26.





Show & Tell September 2024



Photos by Janet and Lori

SPECIFICS HOW TO PREPARE FIBERS

The evening before Dye Day soak your clean fiber/yarn/fabric in water (not hot!) When you get here, we will have tubs with the proper chemical dissolved in water for you to put your yarn/fiber/fabric in to soak for at least 30 minutes before you can dye.

Soaking at home is **NOT** required, but it saves time. This is for protein fibers. If you want to dye plant-based items, we will have another set up for that.

If you are going to dye something in a Crockpot, you don't need to pre-soak. You will use 50/50 water and vinegar (we have enough vinegar!)

We will have tubs for Ice Dying but you have to bring your own ice. Depending on how much you'll be dyeing, you will need 10-20 lbs of cubed ice.

Set up is Friday, the day before Dye Day - and we *NEED* your help, even if it's just a few hours! Please send Ginny @ 805-236-9993) a text if you can come to help set up. There's lots to do and not all of it is lifting heavy objects! Thanks!!!



Membership Dues are, well, DUE AGAIN — Message from Cinda:

Greetings to all. If you did not pay your dues for the year 2024/2025, please be prepared to pay them at the October meeting. Rates and the form are on the last page of this newsletter. Dues must be paid by October 31st to be included in the Guild directory. If you like, send dues and application form to the Guild mailbox.

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

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, any age welcome!



Library Thing— How to access the Library Information:

Search the Guild website www.fiberartsguildlv.org : go to "LIBRARY", then click www.librarything.com

1. In the top brown bar, right side search box, type 'Vegas fiber arts' and enter.
2. Do not panic that it says 'no results' in the center section! Depending on your browser you will see the column on your left with "social" or a drop down menu labelled "works". Expand the drop down menu to find "social". Under *Social* you should find 'members' and a red or blue '1', click on either the word 'member' or the '1'. Now in the center section, find 'Vegas_Fiber_Arts' and click on it.
3. On the left, you will see some logistics about our collection. The important line is the first one: "Collections Your Library" Click on 'Your library'

A list of all our books, DVD's etc comes up, usually with a snapshot of the cover in the left column. Or to find an author, specific book or subject, find the search function.

2024 Board and Committees

Officers:

President:	Richard Deppe
Vice President:	Janet Mayers
Secretary:	Jami Johnson
Treasurer:	Cinda Towne

Committees:

Newsletter Editor:	Hermi Hiatt
Hospitality:	Vicki Johnson
Membership:	Cinda Towne
Equipment:	Janet Mayers
Librarian:	Janet Mayers
Historian:	Elaine Eggink
Programs:	Maurine Adrezin
Web Master:	Sue Wainscott
Raffle:	Ginny Deppe
Zoom Master:	Diana Smith
IWC Representatives:	Janet Mayers, Hermi Hiatt

MINUTES of BOARD MEETING

August 18, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held at Desert Wind Coffee Roasters on August 18, 2024, at 2:00 pm.

Attendees - Richard Deppe (President), Cinda Towne (Treasurer), Janet Mayers (Vice President), Jami Johnson, (Secretary), Maurine Adrezin (Programs), Ginny Deppe (Dye Day), Sue Wainscott (Web master). Agenda: most of our discussion is in response to our Board Meeting from June 23, 2024

Meetings

Less Zoom presentations and more member involvement. Last year there were 3 Zoom presentations. We have 2 booked for this year: September: Jill Staubitz "Block Weave and Profile Drafts", and January: Rikki Quintana "Silk Road Unveiled: A Journey into the Enduring Artistic Heritage of Central Asia". Discussion followed about increasing member involvement, possible ideas for this to happen. And we filled up the rest of the year: Ginny will present one of HGA's Textile and Tea programs in February; Maurine will talk about ways to change patterns by changing the tie up and/or treadling in March; a general invitation of members to present their 'oops' (aka mistakes) and ways to recover in April, Jami will present multiple features of Handweaving.net.

Change order of meeting to be more attractive to Zoom attendees – remembering that we are seeing fewer Zoom attendees. Proposed order: Business, Show and Tell, program, snack and raffle ticket sales time, and raffle itself. Snack and raffle time to be ~15 minutes. This might need to be altered for a variety of reasons, but this will be the template.

Treasurer/Membership

Signing Bylaws: This was done at May meeting. Cinda directed Jami to send a copy of Bylaws to all officers and Committee leaders, with instructions to insert in their procedure manual.

Change banks: Cinda has decided not to change banks. She has found that all banks are cracking down on legal names on who the checks are made out to: Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc., in our case. Cinda proposed that we apply for a 'Fictitious Name Certificate (i.e. aka or dba), then we will be able to accept checks made out to Fiber Arts Guild.

Re-visit and nail down---

New member packet, name tags- Need to assign task. Decision was made to create some bookmarks with a picture of fabric on one side and information about the Guild (e.g. website address, who to contact for membership, etc) Ginny will spearhead this.

Committee for Programs.

Committee members-Maurine, Janet, and find a third person at the next meeting.

Any additional discussion: possible have another on-line weav-

ing class. We did this during Covid with Denise Kovnat. It was quite successful.

Zoom Master: Sue (substitute Zoom Master) to purchase equipment once list is approved. There was a discussion about various microphones and Zoom costs. With this added input Sue will continue her research into equipment. And pursue getting a zoom account. This discussion fostered a discussion of having email addresses assigned to a position in the Guild which would be automatically forwarded to the person occupying that position. For example: Secretary@LVFiberArtsGuild would be automatically forwarded to Jami's email address.

IWC Board: The guild will need to find a new IWC Board Member for the next term starting in June 2025 as Hermi will be leaving that position after IWC's June Board Meeting. This will be further discussed during her presentation at the November meeting.

"Widen the Circle": A couple upcoming opportunities to recruit involvement are: our meeting in April for talking about weaving and/or spinning 'boobos', serving on the Program Committee, recruiting another tech person to help Sue as needed. Asking members to do some small, concrete, one-time action, encouraging welcoming conversations with newer members.

Demonstrations: Vicki is doing a great job with this and has a real passion for outreach. We will be at Spring Mountain Ranch in October and possibly at Mormon Fort sometime this Fall.

Needle basket Workshop: Hermi has been given a good supply of pine needles meant for basket-making. These needles are ~15 inches long, ideal for basket making. Ginny has taken a class before from a very good teacher and is going to try and find the name to pass on to the Program committee.

Dye Day: Ginny led this discussion, and she needs a group of people to come on Friday to set up all the equipment and furniture needed for Dye Day on Saturday. There will be an Indigo pot – Cinda or Jami might have one already. There will be a discussion about other aspects of the Dye Day at our meeting in September.

Adjourn: There being no other business and the fact that the staff at Desert Wind were cleaning the floor around us, we adjourned at 4:00!

Submitted by: _____/s/ Jami Johnson, Secretary

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 **MUST BE** payable to **Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.**

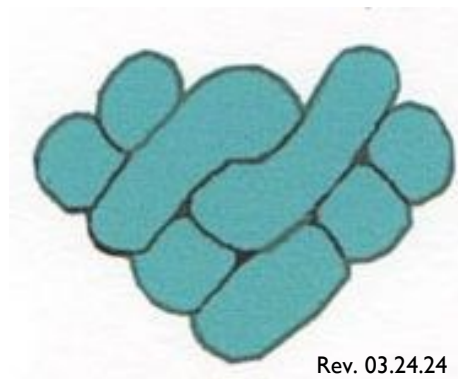
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P.O. Box 370604

Las Vegas, NV 89137

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



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