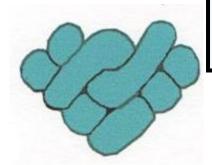
# May 2024



# Harvest Loom

Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc.

# a.k.a. Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

# Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 9:00 am Pacific Standard Time

The Guild meeting will be in PERSON and also via Zoom, starting at 9:00 am

<u>In person meeting</u>: All Saint's Episcopal Church, 4201 West Washington Ave, LV. Directions page 6.

Zoom will be available: Diana Smith will be sending you a link to the meeting before May 11th.

Please EMAIL photos to Diana for Show and Tell.

#### **ACTIVITIES & PROGRAM:**

After the business meeting, about 10 am, Janet and Ginny will present their **Pin Loom Program**.

See description to the right of this page.

## 2024 Guild Meetings - SAVE THE DATES

June 8, 2024: Annual Meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc., to be held in the Parish Hall at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 4201 West Washington Ave, Las Vegas, Nevada. Meeting includes potluck.

#### PIN LOOM PROGRAM

Janet Mayers and Ginny Deppe will present the program in May. They both have been in a deep dive into Pin Looms for the past 4-5 months to show the possibilities of using a pin loom to create beautiful things! They will display what they have made, and also give you ideas of what you can create. There has been a

resurgence of weaving on pin looms in the past few years. Janet and Ginny will give you a peek into that world... the world of new ideas and past ideas.







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## Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc. Minutes of the April 13, 2024 Meeting

A meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held on April 13, 2024, in person at All Saint's Episcopal Church and on Zoom.

Attending in-person were: Charles Parker, Cinda Towne, Vicki Johnson, Diana Smith, Ginny Deppe, Rich Deppe, Stephanie Peters, Maria Ipharr, Lori Lee, Elaine Morris, Mina Campos, Jean Suess, Isar King, Audrey Strehlow, Elaine Eggink, Sue Wainscott, Sara Wiegard, Jami Johnson, Sarah Freeman, Monique Portanger, Lorelle Nelson, Janet Mayers, and Nora Barry.

Attending on Zoom: Maurine Adrezin and Jodell Larimer

Rich Deppe called the meeting to order at 9:08 am by welcoming all. Rich thanked Hermi for leading March's meeting in his absence. There were no guests.

that we approve the March minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **REPORTS**

**Treasurer and Membership Report:** Cinda reported that we have \$3,234.87 in our checking account. This is active to the moment as it included the fees for our speaker today. Cinda emphasized the notice in the newsletter about how to write out checks for Guild dues, workshops, etc. After more than 20 years, Wells Fargo no longer allows us to deposit checks made out to Fiber Arts Guild. They must be made out to Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild! Cinda will not accept checks unless they are made out properly! In the meantime, she continues to battle Wells Fargo on this issue. We have some money in our accounts that reasonably could be used for some event (workshop??) that would benefit all the members of the Guild. Please think about the possibilities!

**Newsletter:** Hermi was not present due to her leading a flower walk elsewhere. But all agreed it was a good newsletter with great pictures!

**Programs:** Maurine was thanked for her Macrame mini workshop/demo last month. She reported that plans are in place for the meeting demos through June.

**Raffle**: Ginny requests that if you win something, please bring something to be raffled off at other meetings! We're down on supplies for our raffles, and reminded us that this is the time for Spring Housecleaning! She also requests bringing small bills....she doesn't always have change for \$20 bills!

**Historian:** There is nothing new to report about Monique's Historian duties. In her life as a Fleece procurer, Monique announced that the wool members ordered is all divvied up and is in the back of her truck. After the meeting, please come out to her truck and pick up your wool! She also brought pictures of the shearing, and of the facilities where the wool was prepared. If you are interested in obtaining a full fleece, please see Monique as 'her' shepherd is still shearing sheep this spring. There are 2 pounds available for Guild demos.

Approval of Minutes: Elaine moved and Charles seconded Web and Social Media: Sue has the statistics from the website: we had 379 visits in March, which is pretty good! Dianna announced that she has a computer headset now so that soft spoken leaders will be able to be heard more easily. She also says that she has learned how to add some text to our pictures so that others will have information when viewing them on the website.

> **Equipment and Library:** Janet has several items! Library books and other items are in the back and available for sign-out. We have a lot of resources that can all be found in Library Thing (ed note: instructions can be found near end of every newsletter) In her capacity of Equipment Manager: the Locker is paid up through May 7 – and everything must be out by then. If anyone is interested in helping Janet empty the locker, please talk with her after the meeting. A list of items to be sold are on our web site. We will be selling these at Lorelle's home on April 27, 2pm to 9pm. This coincides with her Annual Spring Party and we are all invited! Many of her friends will be bringing 'stuff' to take, trade, etc, so feel free to join in that as well. (Anything left will be donated to appropriate charities) Lance's garden is in full bloom, and Lorelle's Maypole will be there will be for a dance or two! As for FOOD there is a POTLUCK, so please bring some food and drink to share!

> **Study Groups:** The Spinning Circle meets Cont. page 3

# Presidents Message—by Rich Deppe

Well, I don't know about you, but I was really impressed with Anatasia Azure's presentation. It was a lot more than I was originally expecting. Hopefully next year we will have some similar meetings with artists that ride the edge of fiber arts, that include dying, weaving, and spinning.

This month, we will be hearing from our very own Janet and Ginny as they join to talk about pin looms. Even though I live with Ginny she wasn't giving me details, so I think we are in for an informative and exciting time.

And then in June we have the election of the officers for next year. If you have any suggestions for new officers, you can contact our nomination committee- Elaine, Monique, and/or Sue. The proposed slate will be posted in the June newsletter and will be voted on at the June meeting. We will also be having a potluck (brunch) at that meeting. And lastly, I want to thank Monique for all the work she did getting us some wonderful fiber, she did a lot of hard work networking and traveling, we should all be grateful for her work.

Until the 11<sup>th</sup> of this month-Create with Passion and Stay safe, Rich.

## Minutes continued from page 2.

Wednesdays from 10:00 - noon at the Sahara Library – contact Ginny, Janet, Liz, or Hermi for more information. This is a very social group, and they have great fun interacting with the public: answering questions, explaining our craft, and demonstrating. Even if you don't spin, feel free to bring some sort of fiber handwork and join in the conversations! The Rigid Heddle study group meets on the Second Wednesday of each month at Laurie Ruben's home, near Gilcrease Orchards.

May Meeting: Janet and Ginny will be demonstrating Pin Looms and showing things that can be made with the weavings. The nominating committee (in process of formation) will present the nominees for next year's officers.

**June Meeting:** The annual meeting on June 8 will be the day we vote for our officers.

After the short business meeting we're also going to have a POTLUCK BRUNCH(ish) spread....so please bring something to share! And of course there will be show and tell for any new items

**Demonstrations:** April 20 at the Children's Museum is our next opportunity to demonstrate. This is also Earth Day! April 27 at The Mormon Fort is another opportunity to share our craft with the public.

#### **Discussions and New Business:**

IWC: Intermountain Weavers Conference will be in Albu-

querque June 17-21, 2025. We have historically contributed something to the registrant's 'goody bag' and we are looking for a useful item that all in the guild can participate in making. Please direct your ideas to Hermi or Janet.

#### **HGA Convergence:**

Handweavers Guild of America is holding their biennial conference July 11-17, 2024 in Wichita, Kansas. As a

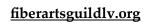
Wichita, Kansas. As a promo for the event, they have sent us a Goody Bag which we raffled off – the winner is **Lori Lee**.

**Adjourn:** There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30. Refreshments, raffle ticket buying and the drawing, Zoom call with Anastasia Azure, and Show and Tell followed the meeting.

Submitted

BY:

/S/ JAMI JOHNSON, SECRETARY





Scarves woven by Jami (right), and Janet (left)





Vicki above and below

Charles



Photos by Janet





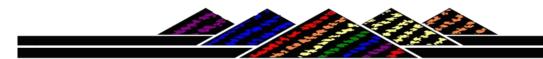


Sara: above and below



Fleece arrived, thank you Monique





#### **INTERMOUNTAIN WEAVERS CONFERENCE 2025**

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.

New Mexico is a great location for our Conference, as it is a region where fiber arts are thriving. The Conference will start Tuesday June 17, 2025 and end Saturday June 21, 2025.

IWC will hold Zoom classes throughout 2024 for cur- https://www.intermountainweavers.org/

rent 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.

Historically our Guild has contributed items for the "goody bags" given out at registration. We will need approximately 250 small items. Ideas will be discussed at future guild meetings.

If anyone has any ideas, please see Hermi, who with Janet shares one position on the IWC Board.



# Guild Affiliate Program 2024

Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

Coupon Code: lvfaguild2024



Use this code on our website to save 5% on your order & earn 5% for your guild!

www.LunaticFringeYarns.com (800) 483-8749

## **Guild Affiliate** Program

Lunatic Fringe Yarns offered our Guild to participate in the "Guild Affiliate Program 2024"

Use the Coupon Code when ordering merchandise:

## lvfaguild2024

with your order and save 5% on your order plus earn 5% for your guild

# GETTING TO ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH on 4201 West Washington Avenue, LV:

FROM SOUTH & EAST VALLEY: (Take I-15 North to) US 95 North, exit Valley View Blvd. and turn right. Turn left onto Washington Avenue when Valley View ends (about one quarter mile). All Saints' is about half a mile west on the left. FROM WEST & NORTH VALLEY: (Take Summerlin Parkway west to) US 95 South, exit Decatur Blvd. North (exit after Decatur South, watch the signs!). Go north about half a mile and turn right onto Washington Ave. All Saints' is about half a mile east on the right.

Whichever direction you come from, PAY ATTENTION ONCE YOU TURN ONTO WASHINGTON. The church is on the southeast corner of Washington and Glen Abby Court, but it's difficult to see until you're right next to it. PARKING is available on Glen Abbey Court street and in the parking lot including in back of the church. If you have a long vehicle, consider parking on the street as the lot is not very deep. Parking in the back is closest to the meeting rooms (Parish Hall). Enter the campus in front through the red gate and follow the signs to the Parish Hall (across the courtyard toward the right). The Guild logo will be also posted to show you where to go. If you park in the back, enter through the door with the Guild logo. Doors open 8:45 am. https://allsaintslv.com/

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



# **Library Thing**— How to access the Library Information:

Search the Guild website <a href="www.fiberartsguildlv.org">www.fiberartsguildlv.org</a> : 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.

## 2023 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: Monique Portanger
Programs: Maurine Adrezin
Web Master: Sue Wainscott
Raffle: Ginny Deppe
Zoom Master: Diana Smith

**IWC** Representatives:

Janet Mayers, Hermi Hiatt

# **ONLINE INSPIRATIONS:**

Ideas and links sent by guild members

- **Rigid Heddle Group**: meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month, coming up on May 8th, a few days before our guild meeting.
- Washing Fleece: <a href="https://spinoffmagazine.com/how-i-wash-wool-a-practical-method/">https://spinoffmagazine.com/how-i-wash-wool-a-practical-method/</a>
  More ways to wash fleece, also check the March and April 2024 newsletters.
- More on washing fleece: <a href="https://spinoffmagazine.com/washing-wool-free-guide/">https://spinoffmagazine.com/washing-wool-free-guide/</a>
- **Spin Off Magazine** is always looking for entries for their regular column called "Your Finished Object." To be considered, finished items must be either woven, crocheted, knitted, etc. using handspun yarn. Keep detailed notes about your spinning process, fiber, tools used, etc. Anyone interested send email to Debbie Blair, Associate Editor, <a href="mailto:spinoff@longthreadmedia.com">spinoff@longthreadmedia.com</a>
- Yarnworker's March 2024 Museletter: Know How for the rigid heddle weaver. <a href="https://yarnworker.com/liz-gipson/">https://yarnworker.com/liz-gipson/</a>
- **Jennifer Moore** blog on 4/24/24: she just returned from a wonderful textile tour in Bolivia sponsored by Andean Textile Arts. Jennifer plans to write a blog post about the trip sometime in the coming weeks. In the meantime, she wants to let you know about a great opportunity to look at and perhaps bid on some outstanding textiles in our upcoming online auction (last day May 5th). The proceeds from the auction will benefit the same organizations that we visit on our tours to both Bolivia and Peru. Editor's note: it may be too late to bid but keep looking at Jennifer's blog and subscribe: <a href="https://doubleweaver.com/blog">https://doubleweaver.com/blog</a>

## **ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS**

Dues for next year can be paid this May or June meeting, cash or check only, \$25 General Membership.

All checks must be payable to "**Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.**" as that is our legal name. Any checks made out to "Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild" or any version of that name will be declined.

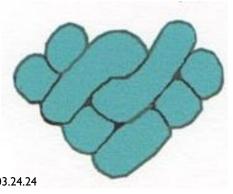
## LAS VEGAS FIBER ARTS GUILD MEMBERSHIP FORM

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?
what equipment and software do you use in your moer enous:

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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 the meetings.



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