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Monthly Gathering

Second Tuesday
at 7:00 pm.

Show & Tell

Join us for

Drop-Ins on

Tuesdays

6:00 to 9:00pm

Thursdays

1:00 to 4:00pm

6:00 to 9:00pm

Sundays

11:30am to

3:30pm

***Our Fibre Arts
Guild hosted
the 2019
Association of
Northwest
Weavers' Guilds
Conference***

President's Corner

Here comes Sweater Weather.....

If you missed the AGM in September you may not know about the changes on the Executive. Laura Fry stepped down as President and I have been elected to fill that role for the next 2 years. Kayla Karason will fill the role of Vice President. Birthe Miller remains in the position of Treasurer. Karin Doucette will continue as Recording Secretary. Belinda Larisch will take over as Newsletter Editor.

For a list of members taking on non elected positions please refer to the AGM Minute Notes that Karin emailed out as it may be useful to know who is doing what. The minutes are kept in a green binder in the guild room if you were not a member when they were sent out.

I wish to take this opportunity to Thank Laura for all her years of service making Fibre Arts a part of our Community. Her work has ensured we have a guild room to come to, something most guilds in the province do not have. The opportunity this affords us all is immensely important in sharing and advancing our skills. Laura has been a leader, teacher, mentor and guide to so many in this community. Her legacy to us is the opportunity we have to continue creating art with fibre. Thank You Laura.

Grace Morrice

President, Fibre Arts Guild

Reminder:

Our next sale event is the October 19th Nightmare Market.

If you have any additional items to add for the sale, please drop these tagged items off no later than **7 PM on Thursday October 17th** along with an updated inventory sheet.

Studio 2880 Nightmare Market

The PG Fibre Arts Guild will be participating in Studio 2880's Nightmare Market on October 19th from 5 PM to 9 PM.

- ⇒ We will be upstairs in the Guild room ... follow the signs. We will have items for sale as usual, as well as extra hands-on demonstrations in the room across the hall.
- ⇒ If you would like to take a stab at needle felting now is your chance!
- ⇒ We will also have a spinning wheel available to test, or you can try knitting a few stitches.

Coming Soon

Saturday, October 19 - the Guild room will be open during Nightmare Market. Come and visit, see what your fellow Guild members have created.

Sunday, October 27 - the first "*learning session*" will take place. See details on the next page or on our website and don't forget to pre-register as there are still some spots available: <https://pgfibrearts.ca/workshops>

Tuesday, October 29 - Movie Night. Have you been wanting to learn how to crochet? Well, on movie night the feature is on learning how to crochet! Location is upstairs in the Guild room, movie starts at 7:00 p.m. If you want to try your hand during this feature, bring a light coloured yarn in a medium weight and a hook that matches as per the guide on the yarn's label.

Friday to Sunday, November 1 - 3 - Studio Fair at the CN Centre. The Guild will have a booth there. If you intend to have some of your creations available for sale at this event, remember to have them tagged and inventoried and dropped off in the Guild room by Thursday, October 24.

Connections within our Community and Beyond

Social Media Corner:

Opportunity to Acquire and Repair a Loom or Two:

One Cherryville floor loom and one unknown brand of loom are available for pickup in Bouchie Lake (west of Quesnel). If anyone is interested, contact VP Kayla or Librarian Belinda (belindalarisch@gmail.com) and you'll be connected to the people donating the looms.

GRANNY SQUARE BLANKET PROGRAM with the PGPL

We await final details, but there is a community granny square blanket program that will run through the PG Library from November through December 14th. Community members will be invited to create granny squares, which will be joined together into a blanket and then donated to The Prince George Palliative Care Society. Is anyone interested in helping to create granny squares? Contact the executive (or ask for more details at the PGPL).

Details to be released include the pattern, yarn weight requirements, hook size, square gauge, donation instructions, and other relevant information.

A square-joining day is planned in December.

LEARNING SESSION

Felted Mittens with Shelley K! New Date: Sunday, October 27.
Pre-registration is required for this event.

These mittens are cut from 100% wool duffle cloth, decorated using needle felting techniques, then sewn together in a special way. Very warm. With winter, and Christmas, on its way, these are great as gifts or for yourself. The duffle, fibre for needle felting, some tapestry yarn to sewing pieces together, thread, and the copy written pattern booklet which contains several patterns will all be supplied. If you have needles for felting, bring them. If not they can be purchased for \$5.25 for a set of three. Colours of duffle available include natural, blue, black, purple, aqua.



If you have taken this before, and still have the copy written pattern booklet, you can come for a refresher at a reduced cost. Bring your pattern booklet.

Details: Pre-registration is required. Go to the Guild website <https://pgfibrearts.ca/workshops>

Date: Sunday, October 27, 2024

Time: 12:30 p.m. To 4:30 p.m.

Location: Upstairs in the room beside the Guild room

Cost: \$35 + GST for members, \$45 + GST for non-members, \$20 + GST for the refresher (members)

Class Size: limited to 10 participants

Bring Alongs: good fabric scissors + scissors for cutting paper, a few safety pins, needle-nosed pliers, a measuring tape, sewing needles

'Back to the Basics' Movie Night ~ Tuesday, October 29th

7:00pm in Guild Room

Learn to Crochet (for real this time) (45 minutes)

SLOW Step-By-Step How to Crochet Tutorial

Ready to truly master crochet? This tutorial is tailored for absolute beginners. Dive in as we cover the essentials: from preparing your yarn and making a slip knot to holding your hook correctly.

By the end, you'll be equipped with foundational techniques to kickstart your crochet journey. Crochet needles and yarn available in the Guild Room, or bring a light coloured yarn in a medium weight and a hook that matches as per the guide on the yarn's label .



Buy & Sell

Looking for fibre equipment, check out [Buy & Sell](#). If you have items you would like to list online please contact Birthe at info@pgfibrearts.ca with description, price, contact information and photo if possible.

'Back to Basics' Guild Meetings and Events 2024/25

The main focus of 'Back to the Basics' this year will be starting at the beginning. Check our [website](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for updates.

Upcoming Events

Nightmare Market ~ Saturday, October 19th 5:00 to 9:00pm

Studio Fair ~ Friday, November 1st to Sunday, November 3rd

Duchess Park November 23rd and 24th

Christmas Guild Sale ~ Saturdays, December 7th & 14th

Upcoming 2024/25 Guild Meetings

Show & Tell the 2nd Tuesday of each month. No meetings held in July and August.

Guild Business Meetings are held quarterly on the 2nd Wednesday of March, June, September and December.

'Back to Basics' Movie Nights

The last Tuesday Drop-In of each month. Learn from the Masters. Workshop videos will be shown on carding, spinning, plying, design, natural dyeing, felting, wheel mechanics and much more so join us for an informative evening. Upcoming videos will be listed in the newsletter.

Check out our Facebook page [PGFibreArts](#) and website pgfibrearts.ca for more details.

Support the Canadian fibre industry!

Fibre Arts Sources

Please visit and support our friends for your fibre, yarn, patterns, kits, dyes, equipment and so much more.

Check out the many BC vendors, something special for everyone.

fibre-arts-source

Learn to Spin, Knit, Crochet and Finish your Project Drop-In

Free to members and a \$5.00 drop-in fee for non-members.

Tuesdays 6:00 ~ 9:00pm

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The Fourteenth Annual **FIBRES WEST** will be held March 21/22, 2025

Cloverdale Agriplex, 17763 62 Ave, Surrey, BC. On the Cloverdale Exhibition Grounds.

Interested in spinning, weaving, felting, knitting, rug hooking, lace making, dyeing, tapestry, basket weaving and other related fibre crafts? We promote local, Canadian fibre producers, fibre shops, independent artists, equipment producers, non-profit groups and weaving and spinning guilds. We hire Canadian teachers and we invite vendors from BC, Alberta and beyond to join us.

fibreswest.com

Ancient Textiles

For the spinners: [Wool-combs-in-the-viking-age](#). If you are interested in embroidery: [unique-viking-textiles-found-in-womans-grave](#)

If you like archeology, especially concerning textiles, here are videos on You Tube about Ancient Egyptian fashion: [Dress like an Egyptian](#) and [The Real Fashion Of Ancient Egypt](#). Bronze Age Textiles: [Must Farm Textiles](#). Check out [Weaving cloth the Anglo-Saxon way](#), [What fabrics did the Merovingians use in the 5th and 6th centuries?](#) And in case you ever wondered [The Invention of the Trousers](#).