WORKSHOPS AT A GLANCE

October 12, 2019

All-day Class

Beginning Wheel Spinning

Learn about basic spinning wheels, how to use them and turn fluff into yarn. The teachers will help you set up your spinning wheel and learn how the wheels work. Soon you will be turning fluff into your own designer yarn. Learn to how to make the kind of yarn you want and can use to make the sweaters, socks, shawls and lots of other items you want. If you don't have a useable spinning wheel, you can arrange prior to class to rent one for \$5.

Supplies: Ready to spin spinning wheel, spinning wheel oil, orifice hook. Practice fiber will be supplied. Instructors: Loyce Ericson and Nancy Hinsch

Morning Class

Beginning Spindle Spinning

Have you dreamed of making custom yarns that match your vision of what you want for your next project? Soft and fluffy, tightly twisted, thick,

thin, or perhaps both? What about creating your own colors. When you can't find what you want in a commercial yarn why not create your own?

Join Sari as she shares an art form that is just as relevant today as it was 200 years ago using a tool that is inexpensive and portable. We'll learn basic spinning techniques, how to turn fluff into yarn, plying, and even the possibility of spinning straw into gold! Students can bring their own spindle. Student spindles by Twists & Turnings will be available for purchase in class (\$20) for those that have the need or want. Instructor: Sari Peterson

Morning class

One-hand Jack: Spinning with one hand!

Spinning one-handed is a fantastic skill to learn. It can help you spin faster and with less stress in your hands. It will help prepare you for support spindle spinning. And, don't forget it will amaze your friends. We'll concentrate on the supported long draw and long draw methods to help you let go and spin like a pro. Instructor: Stetson Weddle

What to bring: Spinning wheel with scotch tension (preferably), spinning oil, favorite medium to short practice fiber to spin.

What will be available: Small amounts of additional fiber to compare, supplies for class exercises

Materials fee: \$15 Class size limit: 8

Morning Class

One Pot Wonder!

Using the kettle dyeing technique, you will dye 6 different fibers types simultaneously in one dye bath to achieve some surprising results. People will 'wonder': "How'd you do that?"

You will leave class with 6 unique samples of dyed fiber and the knowledge and ability to pursue

more of these exciting results on your own. Instructor: Diane McKinnon

Class size limit: 8

Morning Class Viking Knitting

Come learn the age-old technique of Viking knitting and walk away with your own finished charm bracelet. Viking knitting is done by looping wire around a dowel and then pulling the wire tube created through a draw plate to condense the tube down to the desired thinness. The finished piece resembles the look of knitting. In this class we will explore a brief history of the craft, the tools needed, and the many possibilities of creating beautiful jewelry with this fun technique. Then we will get down to business making a single knit bracelet with a charm attached. Instructor: Teresa Waldo

Materials Fee: \$12, payable at the start of class to the instructor. Materials provided will include a handout with photos, wire, dowel, findings, and a charm

Experience Level: Suitable for all levels, no experience needed.

Students Need to Bring: Jewelry making tools (needle-nose pliers, round-nose pliers, wire cutters). If you don't have access to these items, let us know and we can arrange a loan.

Class size limit: 10

Afternoon Class

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Kumi What? Kumihimo!

This easy to learn, ancient Japanese braiding technique is as addictive as it is fun. We'll use a foam kumihimo disc to hold colored cords or yarns that will be manipulated in a sequence to create braids of many different designs. It's a very portable fiber craft and best of all, it's TSA approved!

This class is designed to teach the basics of kumihimo including the tools, yarn selection, various braiding sequences, and ideas for the uses of the finished braids.

You will leave the class with a completed kumihimo braided key chain, enough materials to complete another key ring or bracelet on your own, and the ability to design your own kumihimo patterns for future projects. Instructor: Diane McKinnon

Students should bring: scissors, pen or pencil

Class size limit: 8

Afternoon class

Mastering the Support Spindle

Support spindles can be a great way to take your spinning anywhere. They can also help develop muscle control which will improve your wheel spinning skills. We'll take a look at a variety of support spindles, but concentrate on the tahkli style spindles. Instructor: Stetson Weddle

What to bring: Support Spindle (tahkli style, if you have one), spinning bowl, favorite short practice fiber to spin.

What will be available: Small amounts of cotton and additional fiber to compare, support spindles, spinning bowls, supplies for class exercises.

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