

President's Message:

Spring is almost sprung here in the Inland Empire. After our winter rain and snow, the mountains look beautiful, the hills are greening, and down in the valleys buds are appearing everywhere. Daylight savings time starts on March 10, and the following day we will have our next guild program at the Community/Senior Center. I'm already looking forward to those beautiful light spring evenings, and I'm confident our March and April programs will give us inspiration for portable projects perfect for taking into the garden.

Three guild members will be taking a trip to the Pacific Northwest this spring to attend a weeklong course on weave structures at the Weaver's School on Whidbey Island, and we look forward to sharing all we learn with you when we get back.

It's also time to plan our June potluck and I'm looking for a volunteer to help coordinate it. Please let me know if this is something you'd be able to assist with.

Finally, take a moment to think about what you would like to make for our upcoming guild sale - I am going to get started now on a run of towels in spring colors inspired by the beautiful views we enjoy at this beautiful time of year.

Happy weaving.

Jadie

Get Weaving for IEHG's First Guild Sale

For the past few years IEHG has had a booth at the HOKC's annual Artisan Faire in November. Our focus has been on demonstrating different types of weaving, and displaying samples of our work. Often, visitors asked where they could buy our handwoven goods. This got the IEHG board thinking about the possibility of holding a sale of handwoven materials, and we think this year is the time to do it. So, at this year's fair we'd like to expand our booth to include items for sale, while continuing the fiber arts demonstrations that have been so popular.

To do so we need you to get busy weaving items to sell. In chatting with other guilds which have held successful sales, they have told us that towels, shawls, scarves, potholders, placemats, and baby blankets sell well. These are just ideas – you are free to weave whatever you would like, and your guild will be grateful for all you create.

Whenever we participate in community outreach activities such as the Old West Days at the museum, and the Artisan Faire, visitors love the opportunity to experience the art of weaving. We meet people who share an interest in the fiber arts, and we've had new members join our guild who found us through these events. Most of all, participating in a community event is great fun for guild members; - we have an opportunity to share our passion for handweaving, and we meet new people who find it equally fascinating. In between, we have fun spending time with each other. It all makes for a great day out.

Sales could help to defray guild expenses, which have been increasing recently (for example, we now have new costs for rent for meeting space, as well as the cost of a Zoom subscription, fees to maintain a website domain and email address). In a recent workshop on guild development offered by the Handweavers Guild of America, we learned that typically, when an item is sold in a guild sale, the proceeds are split between the guild and the maker. Guilds often have a sliding scale, commonly taking a commission of around 20% of the sale price of an item if the maker works a shift at the sale, or around 40% of the sale price if the maker elects not to work at the sale.

Clearly there are lots of details to work out, and we will be discussing the sale, and preparation of items for sale, at the next and future guild meetings. We'd also like to put together a committee to plan the sale, and would value your input. If you would like to be part of it please let Jadie know, either by phone/text at 951 500 9000, or via email at sjjv@att.net.

More information will follow soon.

In the meantime, happy weaving.

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IEHG Programs Schedule for 2024

Redlands Community / Senior Center

111 West Lugonia Ave

Redlands, CA 92374

February 12 – Wet Felting a Vessel (Workshop) – Martha Lumia

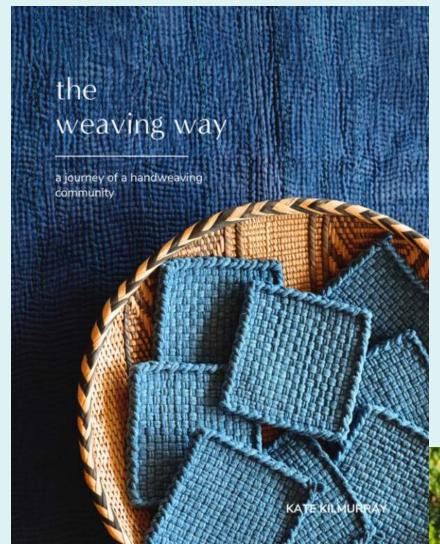
March 11 - The Weaving Way - Kate Kilmurray on Zoom

April 8 - Potholder Magic - Activity

May 13 –Notes from Madelyn van der Hoogt's Weaving School

June 12 - June Potluck & Challenge Reveal







Program for March 11, 2024

Kate Kilmurray

The Weaving Way:my journey with the meditative art of handweaving

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Redlands Community / Senior Center

Please join me as I take you through the evolution of my handweaving journey; how I rediscovered the importance of using craft to slow down, and how learning to make something simple and beautiful can be part of our selfcare and inner nourishment. I will also talk about the collaborative process which brought about the writing of my first book, which celebrates the stories of weavers across the US.

Short Bio:

Kate Kilmurray is a fiber artist who has been practicing and teaching yoga and meditation for more than thirty years. Her experience of weaving is one of deep presence, awareness, and ritual. Now running a successful textile and workshop business in Ojai, California, her designs emerge from meditative and quiet communion with the colors, textures, and patterns of the natural world. Kate's work has been on the cover of Real Simple magazine and featured in Elle France, Little Looms, Selvedge, LA Times and 805Living, with the articles championing the mindfulness of her practice and the significant importance of handweaving for a modern era. She is also a published author, with the first edition of her book, The Weaving Way: a journey of a handweaving community.

Note: Kate will present via Zoom. For those members not able to attend the meeting in person, a Zoom link will be sent out a week prior to the meeting.



Potholder Magic

April 8, 2024

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

IEHG is joining the potholder craze. Weavers and non-weavers everywhere are going bananas over designing potholders. Jane Stafford even shone the spotlight on this easy weaving in her February Newsletter. It featured a picture of Jane and Joan showing off some of their designer potholders (pictured).

Kate Kilmurray of The Weaving Way stressed the meditative nature of making potholders at the March meeting.

Why potholders?

- 1) The loom fits in your lap and can be warped in less than 5 minutes.
- 2) It's impossible to make a threading error
- 3) A plain weave potholder can be woven in about 30 minutes.
- 4) The loom is portable and easy to take anywhere.
- 5) It's incredibly satisfying to complete a project in a short period of time.
- 6) They make great gifts and would be a great price point in or first ever Guild Sale.

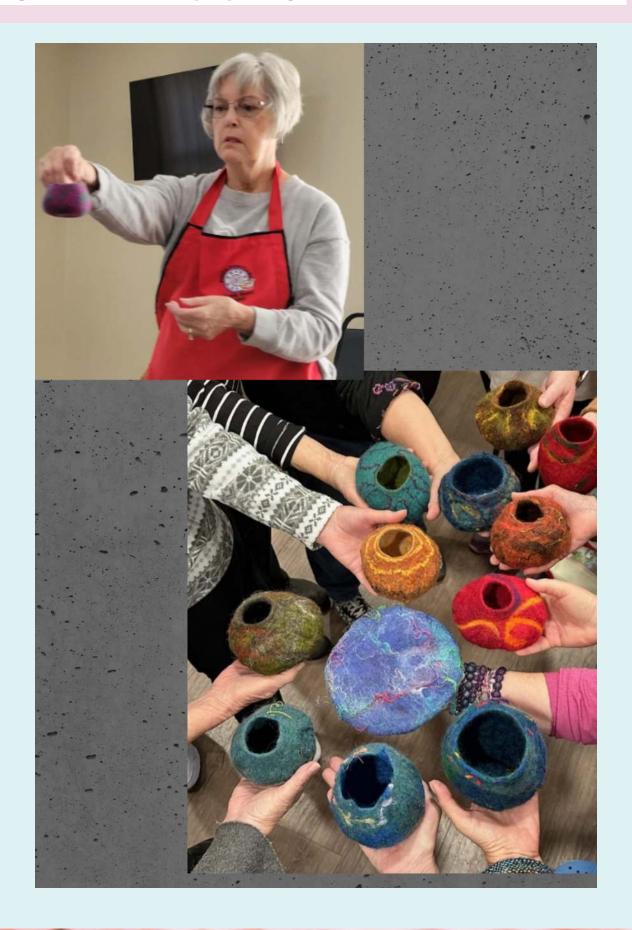
There will be a video presentation followed by a potholder activity.

Location: Redlands Community/Senior Center, 111 W Lugonia Ave, Redlands, CA 92374



SO MUCH FUN AT THE FELTED VESSEL WORKSHOP WITH MARTHA LUMIA







Look at the beautiful pots made at the February wet felting workshop.



INLAND EMPIRE HANDWEAVERS GUILD SUNDAY WEAVERS GROUP

First Sunday of month

1 pm - 4 p.m.

Next Meeting March 3, 2024

Hands On Knitting Center 912 New York St. Redlands, CA 92374

Bring your current portable project and join us for fellowship, learning and sharing.

Please join us and bring a friend.
We'll be there to greet you.
FAVORITE local yarn store, HOKC!
and, BRING A FRIEND



It's Time to Renew

It's time to pay your 2024 IEHG membership dues.

Dues are the most stable income our organization can count on, and we would love to count on yours!

If it has just slipped your mind, please pay your \$30 ASAP.

Membership in IEHG is a GREAT value. You get:

- Two meetings monthly; our regular membership meeting, and the relaxed Sunday Weavers get-together at Hands On Knitting Center
- Workshops on weaving and related arts that open up tempting artistic possibilities.
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- Access to our wonderful Reed & Weave newsletter
- A diverse group of friends who also love the fiber arts
- Experienced weavers who can mentor you whether you have been weaving for 10 minutes or 10 years.
- Access to a guild library of books on weaving at HOKC
- 15% discount on yarn at HOKC

All of this for \$30!

We accept cash or check, made out to IEHG

- You may pay your dues at our March 11 meeting, or
- You may mail your check, payable to IEHG to:

Pat Eickman, 4466 Bandini Ave, Riverside, CA 92506

Thank you! PAT EICKMAN

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

The Grove School spring craft fair will be held March 16th. This is a great fair with a wide variety of craft vendors. Inland Empire Fibershed SoCal will be there so stop by and see us!



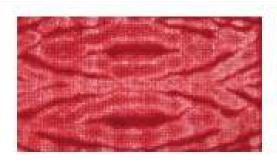
VISTA FIBER FESTIVAL IN APRIL!



THERE IS A SMALL ENTRY FEE THIS YEAR BUT WE REALLY HOPE YOU WILL ATTEND AND HELP SUPPORT THIS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EVENT! MAINTAINING THE WEAVING BARN AND THE MUSEUM IS EXPENSIVE AND ALWAYS NEEDS OUR SUPPORT.

IF YOU HAVE NEVER SEEN THE WEAVING BARN AND MUSEUM YOU ARE MISSING OUT ON A WEAVING/FIBER EXPERIENCE. THESE ARE WORTH AN ADMISSION PRICE ALONE!

SEE YOU THERE - INLAND EMPIRE FIBERSHED SOCAL SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FIBER FARMERS AND ARTISTS.





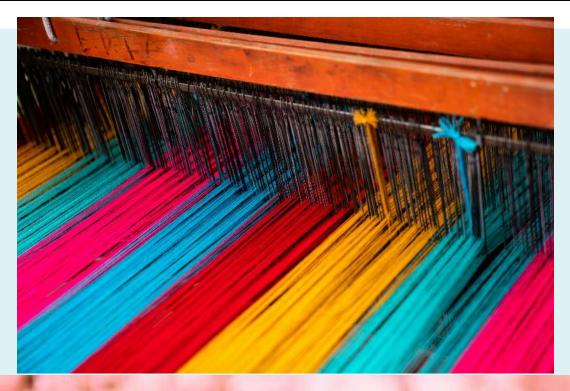


Handweaving Lessons and Classes Rigid Heddle or 4-shaft loom

Learn from a handweaver with more than 30 years of experience that has been teaching at her home studio in Redlands for 12 years.

Weaving classes are offered several times throughout the year and private lessons are available.

For Information, Contact: Suzanne Chappell suz.chap@verizon.net



Who We Are

Inland Empire Handweavers Guild is an organization dedicated to the arts of weaving, spinning, dyeing and other fiber-related arts for over 60 years. We believe in fostering the diverse world of the fiber arts through monthly meetings, mentoring, community outreach and sharing our joy of the fiber arts.

Monthly meetings take place September through June and include hands-on workshops, lectures and demonstrations to promote exploration of the fiber arts.

We have a yearly guild challenge and host workshops on a variety of fiber arts.

Our members volunteer and participate in community outreach activities.

The guild mentors new weavers and offers beginning weaving classes.

All are welcome. Please come to a meeting as our guest. We'd love to meet you!

Check us out on Facebook and Instagram:

https://www.facebook.com/IEHandweaversGuild/

https://www.instagram.com/explore/tags/inlandempirehandweaversguild/?hl=en

Please like, share and post to our pages. They are for us all to share and connect as a community.

WHERE WE MEET!

ATTENTION NEW MEETING LOCATION
The second Mondays of the month, September to June



City of Redlands Community/Senior Center 111 West Lugonia Ave. Redlands, CA 92374

NEW TIME: 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.*

We will meet in the <u>Lugonia Room</u>, a newly remodeled space with wonderful windows letting in outside light.

Arrival time: 15 minutes prior to the 9:30 a.m. start time.

The Senior Center officially opens at 10 a.m.

We need to vacate the room promptly; another group meets there at noon.

For members wishing to visit longer, there are quite a few eating establishments close-by.

*Check our website iehg.org for possible changes.

WEAVING & SPINNING GROUPS:

- 1) https://schg.org/ Southern California Handweavers Guild
- 2) https://desertweaversandspinners.com
 Desert Weavers and Spinners
- 3)https://www.facebook.com/people/Palomar-Handweavers-Guild-at-AGSEM/100056374431510/ Palomar Weavers at Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum Vista
- 4) https://weavespindye.org/ Handweavers Guild of America
- 5) https://www.agsem.com/handweavers-barn Weaver's Barn Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
- 6) https://sdcwg.org/index.html San Diego Creative Handweavers Guild
- 7) Spin Inland Meets second Saturday of the month at Hands on Knitting Center. All are welcome to come and learn or just sit and spin.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/SpinInland/

8) Hands On Knitting Center - Our local yarn store (LYS) that has an amazing array of yarns, classes, meetups, and events. https://www.handsonknittingcenter.com/

Executive Board

President: Jadie Lee

VP/Program Chair: Suzanne Chappell

Membership Chair: Pat Eickman

Treasurer: Linda Ward

Recording Secretary: Gayle Pinkston

Committee Positions

Newsletter: Mary Hurley

Social Media: Jadie Lee

Website: Benjamin Adams

Open Committee Positions

Guild Liaison: Suzanne Chappell

Weekend Meeting Coordinator: Suzanne Chappell

Raffle:

Hospitality:

Education/Mentorship: Suzanne Chappell

