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Inland Empire Handweaver's Guild

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IEHG MEETING CALENDAR

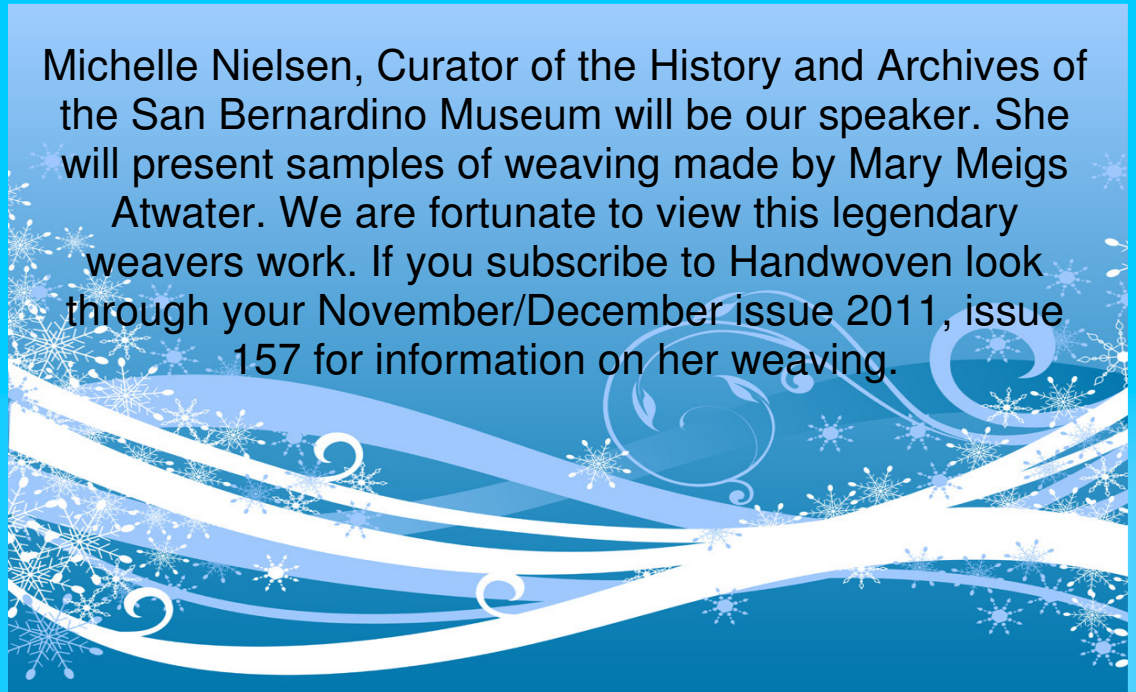


Michelle Nielsen Atwater Collection

Date: January 9th , 2012
Where: San Bernardino County Museum
2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands, Ca
When: 9:30 till 1:00pm



Michelle Nielsen, Curator of the History and Archives of the San Bernardino Museum will be our speaker. She will present samples of weaving made by Mary Meigs Atwater. We are fortunate to view this legendary weavers work. If you subscribe to Handwoven look through your November/December issue 2011, issue 157 for information on her weaving.



Greetings from Gail

Well the Christmas tree is up and decorated or should I say lit... I think the red berries and pines cones will have to do! I'm happily weaving! These cold days will keep me inside weaving and planning for my next project. I think I'll do some rugs... since I seem to have a few bags of selvages from Pendleton.

Our Annual Auction and Potluck was a success thanks to all of you for your generosity with the items you donated, the purchases you made and the wonderful food too.

Looking forward to our January meeting we have a very rare opportunity to view some of the very wonderful textiles owned by the museum. We will take this opportunity to look for inspiration for a spring challenge. Remember the idea is not to compete or copy but to come up with something inspired by what you will see. It should be a lot of fun. Be sure to bring your imagination.

Happy Holidays everyone and Happy Weaving, too!

Happy Weaving,
Gail

January

Michelle Nielsen

Atwater collection

February

Jason Collingwood

March

New Weavers and

Beyond

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- ❖ **Meetings:** The second Monday of each month
- ❖ **When:** September through June at 9 a.m.
- ❖ **Place:** San Bernardino County Museum
2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands, CA
California St exit off the I-10
- ❖ **Dues:** \$20 per year

Come to a meeting as our guest, we welcome you.

For your amusement.....

The Navajo Rug: Like pieces of fallen cloud, the sheep are scattered on the hillside. In the summer's hot wind and the winter's cold, the woman herds them. To the hills in the day, to the corral at night, To fresh grass and water she herds them. **The rug begins in Strength,** A storm drapes itself around the mountain. The sheep are restless. They scatter. The woman tries to gather them. She cannot. She kneels in the dust of the land to pray. The sheep come together. **To the rug is added Faith.** The sheep are sheared. The wool stands in fat bags against the hogan wall. Now the carding begins. Short, quick strokes. Fibers straight, dirt combed out. Now the spinning begins. Turning, turning, turning, turning of the spindle While knowing fingers pull the wool into a strong, straight thread. Now the washing begins; now the dyeing begins. **Into the rug goes Patience.** The rug grows slowly on the loom. Its design, unwritten, has gathered itself in the mind of one

Who has long looked out upon the land and seen its ever-changing colors and patterns. **The rug is woven in Beauty.** The way to the trading post is long And when the woman gets there, what will she get? Lengths of sateen and velvet that shine like shimmering jewels on the shelf? New dishes, a cooking pot -- hers is so old. No. This and this and, yes, this for her children. And this and this for her man. For herself, not a thing. **The rug is finished in Love.** The woman is gone. You come to buy. The price is too much? No, my friend. Not for this rug. Not for what is in it.

All that the woman is, is in this rug. All she thinks, all she believes, all her skills, all she dreams of and hopes for have been woven into one in this rug. And for all this, the price is never too much, Because you see, my friend, **The Rug is the Woman.** by Barbara J. Warren

WEAVING & SPINNING CLASSES

Tri-Community Adult Ed. Weaving and Spinning classes in Covina, Mon & Tues 9 am - 3:30 pm, Wed. 7-10pm. \$75.00 for a 12-week class plus a \$10.00 registration fee \$2.00 for seniors 60 and up. All equipment supplied, first project free yarn! 626-331-0682.

Riverside Spinners meet Tuesday mornings, 10 am-Noon at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Riverside. Call Lynda Yoho, 951-351-4542, for information.

3rd Sunday Spinners, Weavers... Whatever! Meets 11am-2pm, at Massage Rx in Rancho Mirage. Bring any fiber related item you are working on. Contact Mariellen Boss, 760-328-2790, for information.

Weaving for the Not So Sure in the Palm Springs area. Learn to weave on a rigid heddle and/or small tapestry loom. Classes and projects customized for you. If you are interested, contact Mariellen Boss, aka The Rigid Heddler at tactilespirit@dc.rr.com.



Beginning Weaving

Suzanne Chappell, education chair, offers beginning weaving classes for IEHG members at her home in Redlands. They are on the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 9 am to noon. The cost is \$30 for six meetings, plus a materials fee. Class size is limited. For information, call 909-794-3470.

IEHG-WEST meets the first Saturday of the month from 1:00pm to 4:30pm.
Contact Gail Marlow-Dickey for more info on location. 909-985-8916

From HGA rep, Susan Horton: HGA is looking for volunteers in all sorts of capacities, to help with organizing and planning Convergence, beginning now, and volunteers to help during the conference in July 2012. Anyone interested in volunteering for Convergence should go to HGA's website www.weavespindye.org

CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS OFFERED BY GAIL

Weaving 101: The complete Introduction to Weaving. A 3-day Studio Class with hands-on individual instruction. Learn how to Weave on a Floor or Table Loom, Plan a Weaving Project, Select Yarn, use 2-Warping Techniques, Dress a Loom, and Weave 2-projects. Loom and Yarn supplied

Weaving on a Triangular Loom. A hands-on Studio class with individual instruction. Learn how to Weave on a Triangular Loom, the loom that warps its self as you weave. Learn three weaving techniques, Plan Projects, Select Yarns, and finishing Techniques.

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Volunteer Opportunity in SBCO Museum Archives

Once again Michele Nielsen is looking for volunteers to help in the textile collections. This is your chance to see some antique clothing up close and personal. Michelle works Monday through Friday, so the volunteer hours would coincide with her work schedule. If you are interested in assisting Michele, please contact her directly at mnielsen@sbcm.sbcounty.gov. If you don't do email, then she can be reached at 909-307-2669

Miniature Challenge

The San Bernardino County Museum will be having an exhibit in 2012 of clothing and other items from the past century, put together by Michele Nielsen, Curator of History and Archives. The exhibit will run from April 2012 into the fall.

The Western Textile Center (WTCA) and its associate guilds, of which IEHG is a member, are being challenged to create miniature interpretations of some of the featured exhibit items. Michele will select a small number of 'challenge' items from the archives, and we will be able to see them in person and photograph them, hopefully by November.

Your creation must fit into a 10"x 10"x 10" acrylic cube. They will be displayed, along side the selected collection pieces for several months, probably beginning in July 2012, so a deadline of some time in June is predicted.

More information will be made available soon.

There are over two hundred books, videos and periodicals available to members in the IEHG Library. A complete list is available at meetings and on the website. Contact Linda Ward if you wish to check out some items.

Refreshment volunteers for January are...

Suzanne Chappell *Kathleen Waln *Linda Ward *Marlene Padavick

No Raffle this month.



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You have to get warped
to weave

