

Reed and Weave

Inland Empire Handweaver's Guild

www.iehg.org

August 1, 2011

IEHG MEETING CALENDAR

Mon, August 8th

August meeting will be at Camille's home in Lake Arrowhead.

September Meeting will be back at the Museum with Rebecca Smith



Get Together August 8th at Camille Babcock's home
9:30 to afternoon

Date: August 8th, 2011

Where: 27569 West Shore rd, Lake Arrowhead

*Please RSVP 909-336-2105 or gonegourdy@charter.net So we know how many to expect.

When: 9:30 a.m. - until ?

Bring: Lunch will be provided

Come spend the day in the mountains. We are going to learn how to make paper. We will have all the supplies for you to make your own paper that can be used to create cards or whatever you choose. Lunch will be provided.

Directions to Camille's home are on the last page of this newsletter.



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Greetings from Gail

What a great turnout for our "first ever July meeting." It was fun and very inspiring to see Maggie's lovely weaving room, thank you Maggie for having our meeting at your beautiful home. I think it was a real treat to see so many members sprinkled about the house and patio with their spinning wheels and even some with portable looms.

Our August meeting in Lake Arrowhead will be held at Camille's lovely home. For us "flatlanders" the cool mountain air will be a refreshing change. I am looking forward to the day. See you there!

A bit of Guild business if I may: as you know at several of our monthly meetings we have talked about and agreed to go to year round meetings, that is we will hold meetings in July and August and that these will be less formal than most of our other meetings. Another benefit to year round meetings and starting our calendar in January is that we can more easily transition in new board members, for example the Program chair would have the fall to learn the position and be prepared to take over the position by January instead of worrying from June to September about what and how to do the job. Also, it will mean that we collect dues in the 2-3 months in the fall instead of starting to collect in April or May then finish up with dues in September or October, in order to get the membership booklet out by November. Going to a calendar that is January thru December would make it easier to finalize the membership roster and have it ready for February. Our calendar year would begin in January and end in December. The board decided the best way to accomplish this change is just to simply extend the dues dead line to November (we did not collect in the spring, so this is the ideal time to do this transition.) The members of the board agreed to continue their respective positions until the January after their currently projected out going year.

A formality requires a vote by the members to officially make the IEHG calendar a 12 month calendar and amend the by-laws to reflect this change. We will email members the wording of the current article of the bylaws and the proposed amendment to that article. We will hold a vote in September.

I for one strongly encourage this move to a January thru December calendar year. I do believe it will make guild business smoother and more modern.

Happy Weaving and Happy Summer,

Gail



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Inland Empire Handweavers Guild

- ❖ **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.....

Improving Your Edges, How to Weave a Good Edge One of the biggest challenges for the beginner weaver is to be able to obtain clean edges, free of loops or tightly drawn wefts that result in broken threads. Don't despair! With a bit of practice, your edges will improve. When a weft yarn travels across the warp, it takes more weft than the width of the warp. This is because the weft is actually travelling up and down between the warp threads. If you throw the shuttle across the warp, and have the yarn running straight across, when you beat the weft down into place, you will not have enough weft yarn to adequately cover the area.

This will result in too much draw-in and can cause the edge warp threads to break. Instead, when throwing the shuttle allow some extra weft to make allowance for the draw-in.

A simple way to do this, is to throw the shuttle and have the weft yarn travel in a V-shape, uphill from the edge of the woven cloth up to the reed. When you beat, the extra yarn allowance will beat into place. You will still have a bit of draw-in but it shouldn't result in broken threads. To improve your weaving speed, try not to touch or fiddle with the edges while weaving. It will take only a bit of practice, but you should notice an improvement.



WEAVING & SPINNING CLASSES

Tri-Community Adult Ed. Weaving and Spinning classes in Covina, Mon & Tues 9 am - 3: 30 pm, Wed. 7-10pm. \$35 for a 12-week class. 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.

October 7, 8 & 9th 2011

Inland Empire Handweavers Guild presents Crimp & Create. A three day weaving work shop with Diane Totten This is a on-loom workshop exploring a new direction to take fiber using the woven Shibori technique for both warp and weft. Skill level: Beginner to Advanced. Loom required 4 shaft min 8 or more is better. Registration fee: \$150.00 (A deposit of \$75.00 will reserve your space, the balance is due at or before the September 2011 guild meeting)

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.

Weavers Cupboard in Rancho Cucamonga, CA

- Equipment for Weavers and Spinners... Looms... Triangle Looms... Spinning Wheels... Shuttles... Accessories.
- Studio Classes on Standard Loom & Triangular Loom Weaving & Ridged Heddle Looms

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October 8th & 9th 2011 10:00 to 4:00pm **FIBER ARTS FIESTA!!**

The Museum Weavers from the Antique Gas & steam Engine Museum are hosting the first ever Vista Fiber Arts Fiesta to celebrate American Craft week. The Fiesta will take place at the Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum in Vista. More info...www.VistaFiberArtsFiesta.com

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.

No raffle this month, save your items for the fall.



Congratulations to our own Susan Crawford!

Hello Susan,

I am writing to let you know that we are getting ready to re-release selected projects from *Tops with a Twist* in an easy-to-download eBook. We are really excited about this project and think that it will be a great opportunity to introduce a new generation of spinners to these great hat patterns that have been out of print for years.

We are including your *Turkish Braid Hat* project and will send you a free copy once the eBook is released.

All the best,

Liz Good

Managing Editor, *Spin-Off*

Inland Empire Handweavers Guild

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**You have to get warped to
weave!**



DIRECTIONS TO CAMILLE'S HOUSE

Directions from Waterman cyn.
Proceed up Waterman cyn go through Rim
Forest, past the Valero gas station to Daley
Cyn rd Turn Left. Aprox 15 miles

Proceed down and go through the first stop
sign to the second one Which is North Bay
turn left.

Follow North Bay down to Alpen turn Rt. Aprox
1 ½ miles

Turn left on West Shore rd.

Were down around the corner on the right.
27569 West shore rd

There is a big new house being built right next
door you can't miss it!

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