

# REED & WEAVE

Inland Empire  
Handweavers Guild

April 2020 Edition

## *President's Letter*

We know these are very stressful times for everyone. We hope you are all staying well and safe. In the interest of helping to keep us all that way we are canceling both of our meetings scheduled for April, our regularly scheduled meeting at the museum and the new meeting we were starting up on Sunday at the Hands on Knitting Center (HOKC). During this time we should all be using our fiber arts to help us with any stress and anxiety we may be feeling so we look forward to everyone sharing their work on our Facebook site.

Take care and keep on creating,  
Alisha and Susan



## CALENDER

**April**

**13th - Cancelled**



**May**

**11th - Cancelled**

## **INLAND EMPIRE HANDWEAVERS GUILD**

Meeting the second Monday of the month -  
*unless date changes due to holidays -*

September thru June (summer programs  
vary in time & location)

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

San Bernardino County Museum

2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands, CA 92374

*Please come to a meeting as our guest . . .  
we welcome you!*

*Annual membership dues \$30*

FOR MORE INFO:

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**CHECK OUT OUR NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!**

Facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/IEHandweaversGuild](http://www.facebook.com/IEHandweaversGuild)



A big thank you to Jadie Lee for stepping up and taking over as the Hospitality Chairperson!



### Note from the Editor

Hello everyone! I need assistance with the May newsletter and you are just the ones to help. As you already know we don't have a meeting this month to take pictures of. Your assignment . . . if you choose to accept it . . . is for you to take pictures of your crafts and either post them on the guilds facebook page or email them to me directly.

Crafting is defined as to make or produce with care, skill, or ingenuity. So, for this edition of the newsletter we will be opening up your submissions to any crafts - weaving, spinning, quilting, sewing, crocheting/knitting, gardening, baking/cooking, etc. This is where you get to show your fellow guild members a little about yourself and what crafts you are doing. You are also welcome to write a short paragraph about you and your craft.

Looking forward to seeing how creative everyone is being,

Erica



### SHOW & SHARE



For detailed information on weaving and spinning classes please visit:

<http://www.iehg.org/classes>

# Masks for Hospitals

Several hospitals including Loma Linda University Hospital, Redlands Community Hospital, Riverside Community Hospital, and Temecula Valley Hospital, as well as other medical facilities are in need of masks. They have asked for the communities assistance in making 100% cotton masks for their staff. The cotton needs to be tightly woven with 1/4" or 3/8" grosgrain (ribbed) ribbon or fabric ties. The fabric ties are preferred over elastic as fabric is easier to wash and sanitize. A few patterns are provided below and many other patterns that can be found online.

Disclaimer: These fabric masks are not intended as a replacement for the N95 masks and do not stop the covid-19 virus. These are simply an additional layer of protection to be worn over disposable masks by medical staff.

There will be a drop off location in front of Quilters Cocoon on every Saturday until further notice from 10 am to 12 pm. A possible weekday drop off is still TBD and will be emailed out to everyone once it is announced. 9901 Indiana Avenue, Ste 104, Riverside, CA 92503.

If you know of any other drop off locations, are willing to collect masks, or have other questions please email Erica at [fhlneedleworks@yahoo.com](mailto:fhlneedleworks@yahoo.com)

A pattern submitted by Suzanne Chappell and found in a post and video from SCHG Jill Saman:

A picture tutorial and more patterns can be found on the website:

<https://www.craftpassion.com/face-mask-sewing-pattern/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BCJcE-r7kcg>

What Suzanne likes about this one is if you don't have a stock of elastic, you can run something else through the channels to tie it.

Materials:

- Main Fabric (cotton), 12" x 6", prewash
- Lining Fabric (cotton or flannel), 10" x 6", prewash
- Elastic cord for ear loops 16", or, shoe lace/ribbon/cord with at least 44" length for head tie.

Tools:

- Sewing machine or hand sew
- Iron
- Seamstress tracing wheel and paper

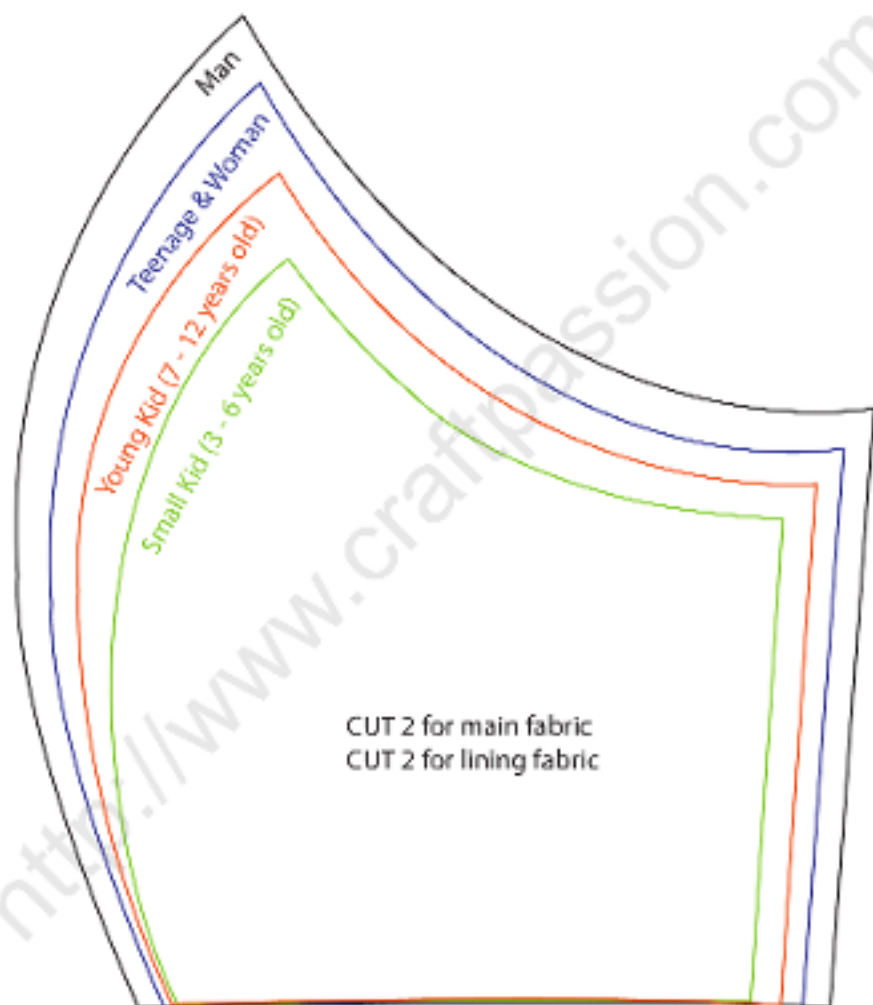
Instructions:

- Download and print out the [Face Mask Sewing Pattern](#) separately
- Pin the templates onto the fabric, trace and cut out the fabric pieces
- Sew, clip curve along on the seam allowance, turn face mask right-side out. Topstitch.
- Sew ears to the face mask. Insert elastic cord to the ear-pocket.

# Face Mask Pattern

(version 2)

<http://www.craftpassion.com/?p=26304>



2"

Please check your scale here after print

Note: Please add 1/4" seam allowance for all the pattern

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Patterns submitted by Erica Bowlin and can be found in a video by Erica Andt:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4FB--BOyTiU&list=PLtxTCRyudtX4\\_05q6SV-i2-l3J9R3kyXc&index=15&t=0S](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4FB--BOyTiU&list=PLtxTCRyudtX4_05q6SV-i2-l3J9R3kyXc&index=15&t=0S)

#### SUPPLIES:

- 2 pieces cotton fabric 6" x 9"
- 1 piece cotton flannel or interfacing 6" x 9"
- 2 elastic strips 1/8" x 6" women, 7" men, 5" children

Kids size: make fabric 5"x7", and elastic 5" long.

**OUT OF ELASTIC?** Use ribbon or fabric ties 18"-20" in length. For fabric ties: use a strip 1"x 18-20". Fold one short end 1/4" in and sew. Next fold the fabric strip long edges in so they meet in the center then fold in half length again. Sew down the open edge to secure. Place the tie with the raw edge next to the corners of the mask just like the elastic was. Tip: Make sure not to sew over the loose end of the tie as you sew around the mask.

**OPTIONAL:** To make the nose area fit better you can sew a wire ribbon, pipe cleaner, or baggie tie to the lining piece before sewing all three layers together and it would work nicely :)

\* Use tightly woven fabric, or hospital grade material.

\* Keep in mind men and women will be wearing the masks when choosing fabric for mask that will be donated.

Can be found on the Quilter's Cocoon facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/QuiltersCocoon/photos/pcb.1564888186968798/1564888093635474/?type=3&theater>

#### Instructions:

Start with two 6 x 9 - inch rectangles of 100% cotton fabric. Sew right sides together (1/4" seam) leaving an opening for turning. Turn inside out and press. Pin 3 pleats (accommodates the nose) on each side going in the same direction, about 1/2" each. Top stitch on all 4 sides, catching in the turning opening. Stitch a 33 - inch piece of 1/4" bias binding or grosgrain ribbon along the top of the mask and one along the bottom. If you need a visual, here is a video but substitute ties for elastic:

<https://www.courierpress.com/story/news/2020/03/18/coronavirus-deaconess-ask-public-provide-medical-face-masks/2865273001/>



# How to make a *Face Mask*

You will need a cotton fabric, any print for all men, women and children

Cotton flannel for the backing

1/8" flat braided elastic

Cut the elastic 7" long for adult or children

You can make 2 sizes: Adult (9"x6") or Child (7.5"x5")

1. Put right sides of cotton and flannel fabric together.
2. Starting at the center of bottom edge sew to the first corner, stop. Sew end of elastic to corner. A few stitches forward and back will hold this.
3. Sew to the next corner, stop, and bring the other end of that same elastic to the corner and sew a few stitches forward and back.
4. Now sew across that top of the mask to the next corner. And repeat #2 to the corner.
5. Sew to next corner and sew in the other end of the same elastic.
6. Sew across the bottom leaving about 1.5" to 2" open. Stop, cut the thread. Turn inside out.
7. Pin 3 tucks on each side of the mask. Make sure the tucks are the same direction.
8. Sew around the edge of the mask twice.

It is so easy to make this.

Be sure any fabric design is placed horizontally.



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