



# The BEAT

To explore the lore and techniques of handweaving and related textile arts and crafts and to stimulate interest in these media

## Zoom Meeting Times For February 2021:

- Monday, Feb. 8, Day Guild Program – 10:00 a.m. Show & Tell will be held after the program.
- Tuesday, Feb. 9, Evening Guild Program – 7:00 p.m. Show & Tell will be held after the program.

## February 2021 HGB Programs with Elizabeth Morisette via ZOOM!

You will receive a Zoom Meeting invite e-mail from the Guild on Friday, February 5. There will be a separate/different link for each meeting. The Zoom meeting invite will also be posted on the HGB website under Members/Announcements.

### Day Guild Live via Zoom:

Monday, February 8 at 10:00 a.m. MST

#### **Materiality: Material Based Basketry**

Colorado Fiber Artist Elizabeth Morisette will discuss her basketry work and installations that incorporate a variety of alternative materials. The presentation will include a question and answer session at the end to further discuss process and materials and their place in the Art and Craft of Basketry.



Elizabeth Morisette is a graduate of NCSU College of Design and received a Master's Degree from Maryland Institute College of Art. She has been exhibiting her weavings and sculptures for 25 years. In the fall of 2020 she was featured in *Hyperallergic* for her work in the University of Denver's "Mask" exhibit. She has also been featured in *American Craft Magazine*, the *Denver Post* and the *New York Times*.

An important aspect of Morisette's work is the use of repurposed materials. As a child she was constantly making environments out of found objects. Other people's trash is truly her treasure! She uses upcycled materials such as bottle caps, hair rollers, and bread tabs in her work. These items are not only readily available, but also add whimsy and a larger message to her work.

### Evening Guild Live via Zoom:

Tuesday, February 9 at 7:00 p.m. MST

#### **Weaving a Community: Using Fiber Art to Create Community**

Education Coordinator at the Museum of Art/Fort Collins, Elizabeth Morisette will discuss some of her Community Engagement work. By using textiles as a medium, she teaches the Community about the concepts in the Museum's exhibits through installations and hands-on activities. Historically, textiles have often been an entry for Community Members to engage one another while learning new techniques. Morisette uses these Textile processes to help communities creatively tell their own stories.



She explains: "Materials inspire me. Every work I make starts with a box of 'stuff' often set aside as trash by many. My quest is to make this pile of stuff into a beautiful weaving or vessel. Using pieces with history draws viewers in to experience objects in a new manner. The viewer is invited to remember a time, place, or person that they once knew. Though the objects are common, the memory invoked by the work is as varied as the individuals who view them."

Bringing art to the community is also an important part of Morisette's career. Currently, she works as the Education Coordinator at the Museum of Art Fort Collins. Previously she has held positions at Marilyn State Arts council, The JCC of Greater Baltimore, Colorado State University, Fort Lewis College and The Denver Art Museum.

Elizabeth Morisette – Visit her website: [www.elmorisette.com](http://www.elmorisette.com) to see her work.

# Handweavers Guild of Boulder January 2021 Day Guild Business Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2021, 9:45am call to order by Ronnie Trowbridge.  
Meeting conducted via by Zoom.

President Ronnie Trowbridge opened the meeting and introduced the nominees for positions on the Board for the Guild's 2021-2022 year, giving names and titles and displaying on the screen the photos and biographies previously published in the January 2021 *Beat*. The vote was held by Zoom poll and all nominees were elected by unanimous vote. Various members present offered congratulations to the nominees, who will take office following the May 2021 business meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

## Deadline: March 1, 2021 Carol Stricker Scholarships Spring 2021 Awards

The Strickler Scholarship Committee is accepting applications for the Carol Strickler Scholarship spring awards. Applications are due by the end of the day **Monday, March 1st, 2021**. Applicants must have a current HGB membership. Information and application forms can be found on the HGB website under the Member Menu, Scholarships/Grants.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

– Sue Hintz-Siegrist, Committee Chair  
shsiegrist@earthlink.net

### Treasurer's Report

#### HGB Cash as of December 31, 2020

##### General Funds

CDs (2)	\$9,924.84
Money Market account	\$35,283.35
General Checking account	\$28,101.25
	<b>\$73,309.44</b>

##### Allocated General Funds

Library Fund	\$2,103.80
Equipment Fund	\$7,057.14
MOST Technology Fund	\$964.83
	-\$10,125.77

<b>Available General Funds</b>	<b>\$63,183.67</b>
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##### Restricted Funds (These funds cannot be used for Guild Expenses)

Schacht Money Market	\$7,266.65
Strickler Money Market	\$10,673.78

# Handweavers Guild of Boulder January 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

9:15 a.m. call to order on January 13, 2021, by Ronnie Trowbridge.  
The Board met via Zoom.

**In attendance** Ronnie Trowbridge (President), BA Johnston, (Treasurer), Nancy Stiles (Secretary), Janet Strickler (Membership), Maribeth Hite (2021 Sale Chair), Cathy Bickell (Program Chair), Dixie George (Program Planning Chair), Amy Munding (President Elect), Gail Matthews (Website), Karen Lord Paris (Beat Editor), Joan Robinson (Member at Large), Priscilla Wagener (Past President), and Tsy Schupack (member).

- The Board discussed the possibility that the dates of the November 2021 meetings be changed to November 15 and 16, 2021 in order to accommodate the proposed speaker and those working the Sale, and authorized the Committee to arrange the programs on those dates, if necessary, when final arrangements are made.
- The Board discussed the status of Boulder County on the Covid status dial, which currently is at the orange level, and County's guidelines restricting capacity and other features of various activities while the County is at that level. To see the status dial, go to <https://www.bouldercounty.org/families/disease/covid-19/state-dial-framework/> and scroll down to the chart setting out the restrictions for each level on the dial. HGB's policy continues to be that in-person meetings of any kind, including study groups, committee meetings and workshops, will resume only when allowed by the those guidelines.
- Because of Covid guidelines for access to the Library materials stored in the church, the Board agreed that until further notice, library materials are not available to members.
- HGB anticipates hosting Colorado Weavers Day in May 2022. A committee will be formed to be undertake all that this entails for HGB. Amy Munding will recruit a committee chair and committee members for this purpose.
- Cathy Bickell (Program Chair) reported on plans for programs in February through May. These are all expected to be presented via Zoom.
- The Board agreed to provide free advertising in *The Beat* for the remainder of this year if people agree to purchase advertising next year.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

### We are very grateful for your membership and donation!

HGB is appreciative to all who have donated to HGB during the 2020-2021 Guild year!

An additional \$100 was donated in 2020 to the Guild through [www.handweaversofboulder.org](http://www.handweaversofboulder.org) with safe and secure processing through Wild Apricot.

## President's Message

I am pleased to welcome the new HGB board with Amy Munding as your 2021-2022 HGB President. I am confident the Guild will be in very capable hands going forward. Thanks to all who joined the Guild business meeting to participate in the vote. Amy is now a member of the current board and her HGB email address is [president-elect@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:president-elect@handweaversofboulder.org).

I want to acknowledge the fantastic job your current board continues to do in these uncertain times. The creation of the Program Committee (by Cathy Bickell) has proven to be a godsend. The team has identified potential speakers, contacted them, and worked with them to provide the Guild with interesting and varied programs under difficult constraints. Our Membership Chair (Janet Strickler) has contacted each new member to welcome them to our "virtual" Guild. She even hand wrote letters to each former member who chose not to join this year in an effort to minimize those numbers. Our Sale Chair (Maribeth Hite) has continued to stay in touch with the Boulder County Fairgrounds to understand their future plans and agreed to stay on as Sale Chair next year when we hope to have a sale. Throughout the pandemic we have held Board, Business, Study Group, and Guild meetings via Zoom, learning about co-hosts, sharing screens, polling, and the like. These are only a few examples of the "above and beyond" work done by your Board and other Guild members. Please join me in thanking each and every one of them for rising to the challenges we never anticipated. I am so looking forward to a giant celebration when we are allowed to get together in person again.

– Ronnie Trowbridge, President

## A message from the Board...

### Stay connected

Social media, Zoom meetings and the HGB websites continue to provide an easy way to stay engaged with the Guild.

But, it is also the time for a good old-fashioned phone call and check-in with each other! Over the next several weeks, the Board will be reaching out to "Check-in" with membership:

- We would like to say hello and not lose contact with each other while the Guild is not meeting in person.
- Do you have any ideas you would like to share about keeping the membership involved?
- Any other feedback for the Board?

Our phone calls to members will be made Monday, February 1, 2021 through mid-February. We will try to reach you between 10:00 a.m - 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m - 8:00 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time).

If you would prefer to not be contacted by phone (we will be using the phone number listed on your guild registration), please email [memberatlarge@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:memberatlarge@handweaversofboulder.org).

### 2020-2021 Board Contact Information

**President:** Ronnie Trowbridge, [president@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:president@handweaversofboulder.org)

**Former President:** Priscilla Wagener, [pwwagener@comcast.net](mailto:pwwagener@comcast.net)

**President-Elect (Jan-May 2021):** Amy Munding, [president-elect@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:president-elect@handweaversofboulder.org)

**Treasurer:** BA Johnston, [treasurer@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:treasurer@handweaversofboulder.org)

**Secretary:** Nancy Stiles, [secretary@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:secretary@handweaversofboulder.org)

**Member-at-Large:** Joan Robinson, [jpsrobinson@mac.com](mailto:jpsrobinson@mac.com)

**Evening Chair:** Nicole Drane, [eveningchair@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:eveningchair@handweaversofboulder.org)

**Program Chair:** Cathy Bickell, [programs@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:programs@handweaversofboulder.org)

**Program Planning Chair:** Dixie George, [programsplanning@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:programsplanning@handweaversofboulder.org)

**Membership Chair:** Janet Strickler, [hgb.membership@gmail.com](mailto:hgb.membership@gmail.com)

**Sale Chair:** Maribeth Hite, [salechair@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:salechair@handweaversofboulder.org)

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**Website Manager:** Gail Matthews, [website@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:website@handweaversofboulder.org)

## Stay Connected...



Visit the HGB website for more information

<https://www.handweaversofboulder.org>

**Gallery of Members' Work:** You'll find Gallery on the HGB website under the Explore menu. Instructions for adding images are on the gallery page.



Visit HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale

<https://www.hgbsale.org/>



Find us on  
**Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/HandweaversGuildBoulder/>



**Instagram**

<https://www.instagram.com/boulderhandweaversguild/>

## TOURS TO UZBEKISTAN

I have misplaced the list of those of you who wanted information on TOURS TO UZBEKISTAN with Marilyn Romatka. If you would be so kind as to e-mail me at Buzzcathy@aol.com if you are interested I will get that list to her. My sincere apologies.  
– Cathy Bickell

## March HGB Zoom Program

Flora Carlile-Kovacs ([www.florafelts.com](http://www.florafelts.com)) will present two different programs. One will be her *Felting Journey*, and the other will be *A Journey through Hungary*. Flora has been teaching felting since 2005. Most recently she taught for The Felters Rendezvous, in Colorado Springs. She also sponsors Felting Tours to her ancestral land of Hungary.

## March Virtual Workshop:

Making “Felt Jewelry” is scheduled for Saturday, March 6, 2021. Contact Cari Cook, [cari@thequiltedhorse.net](mailto:cari@thequiltedhorse.net), for additional information. A registration form is on page 6 of this *Beat*.

## Zoom Programs

The HGB website can not handle the storage needs that are required to record the monthly Zoom programs. We have been trying to have 2 different presentations: one for the day guild and a different one for the evening guild, so stay at home and enjoy each one.

Not a HGB member – please email [programs@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:programs@handweaversofboulder.org) if you would like Zoom access information.

## Have you joined or renewed your HGB membership?

**Please help our Guild continue to provide programs and inspiration during this time!**

Membership dues provide the bulk of the Guild's income this year, so we need your support more than ever.

**1/2 year membership is available.**

**For more information,**  
please visit the HGB website:

<https://handweaversofboulder.org/join.html>

# HGB FIBER ART SHOW & SALE 1971 - 2021



November 3-7, 2021 • Daily 10-6 • Sunday 10-3  
Boulder County Fairgrounds • Longmont • Colorado  
Handweavers Guild of Boulder • [www.hgbsale.org](http://www.hgbsale.org)

## Show & Sale Committee – Publicity Activities

<https://www.hgbsale.org/artist-portfolios/>

When the HGB Show & Sale premiered in 1971 very few considered it possible to have mobile communication devices or that with a simple tap to a link anyone could be transported to an online experience of the Show & Sale itself.

Today, a short fifty years later, the Artist Portfolio area of [www.hgbsale.org](http://www.hgbsale.org) is just a link away—please stop by and take a look!

Also, please consider joining fellow HGB members who share their work with the world!

### • Artist Portfolio Submission Guidelines

<https://www.hgbsale.org/apsg/>

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

– Tsy Schupack, [salepub@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:salepub@handweaversofboulder.org)

## Sale Chair Message

Dear Members,

A new year AND a new *HGB Show and Sale* to begin preparing for! The Boulder County Fairgrounds continues to be closed – the latest communication I received said that they are officially closed through March 31, 2021. The County has been updating frequently, so, as I learn more, I will share with you. Please be sure to check the HGB website AND the specific Show & Sale website: [www.hgbsale.org](http://www.hgbsale.org) for updates.

While the 2021 Show & Sale will incorporate some check-in changes planned for 2020 (that were not able to be used) we will also comply with any restrictions the County mandates for events like the HGB Show & Sale. I will keep you posted. To that end, I would like to add a position to the Sale Team: that of “Compliance Manager”. **If you are interested in being part of the Sale Team and would like to help coordinate with Boulder County on health and safety guidelines for the 2021 Show & Sale, please contact me.** The Sale Team will begin meeting in May – about 6 months prior to the Sale.

The dates for the 2021 *HGB Show & Sale* are November 3 to 7, 2021 at the Boulder County Fairgrounds in Longmont. Handweavers began hosting a Sale in 1971 so this will be the 50th year that the Handweavers Guild has planned a Sale to demonstrate our fiber talents to the community, let us make this one a FABULOUS SHOW & SALE!

Keep fiberling!

– Maribeth Hite, [salechair@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:salechair@handweaversofboulder.org)

## COVID-19 Notice:

**HGB is complying with all state and local public health guidelines. In-person meetings of any kind, including study groups, workshops, and committee meetings, will resume only when allowed by those guidelines. Boulder County public health COVID-19 information can be found at <https://www.bouldercounty.org/families/disease/covid-19/>**

## Free Advertising for the Remainder of the Guild Year!

Handweavers Guild of Boulder is offering FREE advertising on its digital issues of the 2021 March, April, May and June issues of *The Beat*, to **any fiber related industry/operation**. In return, we ask that you agree to purchase advertising during the 2021-2022 Guild year (Sept. 2021 - June 2022).

Visit the HGB website for advertising details (under the Explore menu, select Newsletter Advertising). Those interested can request posting their free monthly ads by emailing *The Beat* editor: [beat@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:beat@handweaversofboulder.org).

**This is an opportunity during the pandemic that allows the public to easily view all the special promotions across the region instead of going to each individual website or calling each outlet to see what they're offering.**

**Please share this offer with your favorite fiber retailers!**

Handweavers Guild of Boulder will also offer FREE 1/4 page advertising in *The Beat* for initiatives to support fiber artists and fiber arts organizations. Visit the HGB website for advertising details (under the Explore menu, select Newsletter Advertising).

**Classified Ads are free to members!**

Free classified ads must be 25 words or less.

### Submitting Advertising, Classified Ads, Articles, and Events & Opportunities in *The Beat*:

The **deadline** for the **March – June** issues of *The Beat* are due the **Friday following the 2nd Monday of the month for publication in the following month**. Please email your submission to the *The Beat* editor at [beat@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:beat@handweaversofboulder.org). Visit the HGB website for advertising details (**Under the Explore menu, select Newsletter Advertising**). When submitting Advertising, Classified Ads, Articles, and Events & Opportunities in *The Beat* you are giving your consent that your submission may be viewed by the public/third-party.

## Discount Fiber Shopping...

**Silk City Fibers 10% Discount for HGB Members!**

When placing an order online you may check out as a guest and enter the promo code 2021117 to receive the 10% discount. This code is good until 8/31/21.

Visit <https://www.silkcityfibers.com>.

**Woolery.com**

Woolery.com donates to HGB 5% of purchases made through this link: <https://woolery.com/?aff=146>

## 2020-2021 HGB Study Groups

All HGB members of any proficiency level are welcome. Please contact the group host for questions. **Several Study Groups are meeting virtually.**

- **Crochet Group**  
Contact Donna Pattee: [donna.pattee@colorado.edu](mailto:donna.pattee@colorado.edu)
- **Natural Dye Study Group**  
Contact Terri Smith: [tarilyns@gmail.com](mailto:tarilyns@gmail.com)
- **Thursday Felters**  
Contact Cari Cook: [cari@thequiltedhorse.net](mailto:cari@thequiltedhorse.net)
- **Saturday Felters**  
Contact Patty Durbin: 502-472-4890 or [pjdurb01@yahoo.com](mailto:pjdurb01@yahoo.com)
- **New Felters Group** – The group is for beginner felters!  
Contact Cathy Bickell: [buzzcathy@aol.com](mailto:buzzcathy@aol.com)
- **Day Knitters**  
Contact Robyn Thompson: [RobThomp61@gmail.com](mailto:RobThomp61@gmail.com)
- **Machine Knitters** – Open to the curious and seasoned MKers. Demos, new techniques, show and tell and a great community of fun!  
Contact Margit Tritt: [margit@pacaknits.com](mailto:margit@pacaknits.com)
- **Sprang Group**  
Contact Selena Billington: 303-494-8624 or [selena.billington@fitchfamily.org](mailto:selena.billington@fitchfamily.org)
- **Day Spinners**  
Contact: [dayspinners@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:dayspinners@handweaversofboulder.org)
- **Tapestry Study Group** – The group learns together and shares designs and completed works in tapestry and related visual fiber media.  
Contact: [HGB.tapestry.contact@gmail.com](mailto:HGB.tapestry.contact@gmail.com)
- **Day Weavers** – This group is currently full
- **Evening/Weekend Weavers**  
Contact Joan Torgow: [jstorg1@aol.com](mailto:jstorg1@aol.com)
- **Sett to Weave** – The group discusses weave structures and design inspirations.  
Contact: [sett.to.weave.contact@gmail.com](mailto:sett.to.weave.contact@gmail.com)

## Rental Equipment

Guild owned spinning and weaving equipment is available to HGB Guild members:

- For spinning – contact Maggie Casey: 303-494-8744
- For weaving – contact Priscilla Wagener: [pwagener@comcast.net](mailto:pwagener@comcast.net)



## Flora Carlile-Kovacs Felt Jewelry online workshop

### Information and Registration Form

**Overview of Class:** Flora will guide you to create complex wearable-art shapes inspired by nature. You will learn how to attach fancy fabrics or yarn to the wool, how to felt beads in different shapes of settings, make the cord of a necklace and attach the segments by building and felting pieces together. She'll discuss felting embellishments, such as beadwork and embroidery.

**Felting Experience:** Knowledge of how to layout wool (roving).

#### Class Structure:

1. *Flora will provide us with a video on February 27<sup>th</sup> to guide us on felting a floral jewelry with a pendant.*
2. *We will meet with her on Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in a 2- hour Zoom session to discuss the process and any problems or questions that came up while you were making your pieces.*
3. *The video will be available for us to work with for another week after the Zoom meeting.*

Class Fee is \$100.00 payable to HGB Handweavers Guild of Boulder

Mail Checks & Registration Form by February 12, 2021

To Cari Cook, 10741 N. 65<sup>th</sup> St. , Longmont, CO 80503

For questions call Cari Cook at 303-775-1876 or e-mail her at [cari@thequiltedhorse.net](mailto:cari@thequiltedhorse.net)

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Registration Form: Flora's Jewelry Felting on-line class

Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

St. Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and State \_\_\_\_\_