

# The BEAT

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

## Zoom Meetings for March 2021

- All HGB members will receive a Zoom Meeting invite **email from the Guild on Friday, March 5.**
- Subject line in the email will be **Handweavers Guild of Boulder: Zoom Invite for March Programs**
- Zoom meeting invites are also be posted on the HGB website (You must login as a member) under Members/Announcements.

## MARCH 2021 HGB Programs with Flóra Carlile-Kovács via ZOOM!

### Day Guild Live via Zoom:

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

Show & Tell will be held after the program.

#### “Her Felting Journey”

Seattle-based Flóra Carlile-Kovács will share experiences from her world of felting and teaching. Over the past 15 years, she has taught a wide array of felting classes, including slippers, patterned rugs, project troubleshooting, and jewelry. Flóra also has an impressive portfolio of functional art and larger textile pieces. In many of her works, she beautifully captures texture and color inspired by nature. She seeks to elevate and demonstrate the versatility and artistic potential of felting.



Flóra Carlile-Kovács grew up in Hungary and now resides and works in Seattle, WA. She originally studied ethnography and museology because of their relationship to textiles. However, she ultimately followed her passion for creating with fiber. She has been teaching various levels of felt making for 15 years as a full-time profession. She also leads annual Felt Tours to Hungary, which she started in 2016.

Flóra describes felt making as a combination of sculpture and painting. The world of nature, its colors and materials are one of her inspirations, along with historical traditions in felting.

Flóra enjoys experimenting with materials and teaching herself through trial and error. She feels that, “felt, as an expressive medium, is conducive to an instinctive and spontaneous creative process.” Because of this, much of her work feels organic and living. She has taught a variety of classes, examples of which can be found on her website, [florafelts.com](https://www.florafelts.com). She is currently teaching a jewelry felting workshop for HGB members.

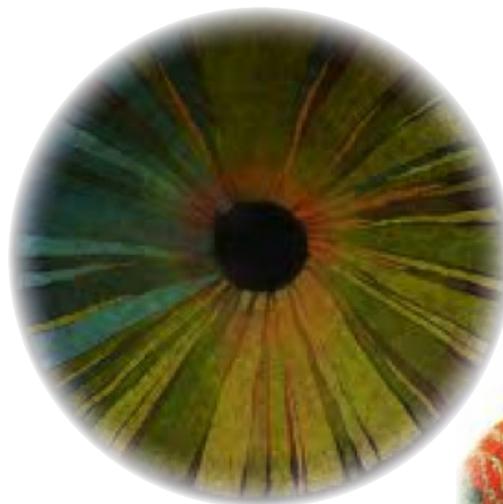
### Evening Guild Live via Zoom:

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

Show & Tell will be held after the program.

#### “A Hungarian Felting Trip”

Flóra will be sharing with us her experiences during her felt tours to Hungary. She guides clients on a 12-day Felt Tour where they spend 5 days doing project-based wet-felting classes from internationally recognized felt masters while immersing participants in Hungarian culture. Flóra, a native of Hungary herself, provides unique tour opportunities including “craft markets, thermal baths, a special private trunk show and other seasonal programs.”



Flóra Carlile-Kovács – Find her works & more online at <https://www.florafelts.com>.

## Handweavers Guild of Boulder

### February 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

9:00 a.m. call to order on February 10, 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), 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).

- Ronnie Trowbridge discussed the spurious emails some have received that purport to be from her as President of HGB, asking for purchases of gift cards. These are the work of hackers. HGB never asks members to purchase gift cards.
- The Board discussed the 50% discounted membership fee available to persons who join the HGB in January or later, with all memberships expiring on May 31 of each year. This discount will remain in effect. Gail will look into how to make it clear that all memberships purchased expire in May and Janet will consider when we will advertise membership renewals are due.
- Noting that the current status of Boulder County on the COVID status dial is at the yellow level, the Board discussed HGB's COVID policy as published in *The Beat*, which remains in effect. When public health authority directives allow, the Board will discuss and issue a formal statement via *The Beat* and the HGB Website, indicating clearly to the membership that HGB in-person activities may be planned to resume. Until then, membership will be supported by programs such as Zoom day and evening meetings with speakers and Show & Tell, Zoom Study Groups and the Board Membership Calling Project.
- Amy Munding reported on the Board Membership Calling Project. Many members have already received telephone calls from Board members to let them know about HGB's efforts to support them at this time and hear their comments about HGB activities. Board members present at the meeting who have made calls reported a high response rate and a positive reception to the calls from members they talked to.
- HGB anticipates hosting Colorado Weavers Day in May 2022. Amy Munding reported on recruitment of members to serve on a committee for this purpose. Members who have stepped forward so far include Jane Patrick, Judy Steinkoenig, Gail Matthews and Priscilla Wagener.
- Cathy Bickell (Program Chair) reported on plans for programs in February through May. Currently, these are all expected to be presented via Zoom, and are listed in *The Beat* and the HGB website.
- Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

## President's Message

Technology is one of those things most of us have a love/hate relationship with. I spent my career working in technology and I am grateful for the knowledge, relationships and experiences it gave me. I use it to look up knitting patterns, learn new techniques, find recipes, and keep in touch with family and friends. But sometimes it fails us and a couple weeks ago, I was notified by a few Guild members that they received emails they knew could not have come from me. I have scoured my laptop to ensure there is no malware on it and my theory is that these emails either came from someone else's computer or even from an attack on our websites. Investigations are underway to find the source and to report the abuse. Our HGB websites and Zoom meetings are secure/protected as best as they can be, so you can feel safe using them.

My advice to you is to delete such emails immediately and do not click on any links you suspect aren't real (you always can type a link address in by hand into your browser instead). Here is our official statement on such "phishing emails".

Some members have reported receiving emails purporting to be from the guild asking for gift cards. These emails are NOT from anyone associated with HGB. HGB *will never* send email asking for gift cards. The information included in the email to make it appear to be from someone you know can be picked up from a variety of sources, and could even come from malware on your own computer. Read more about phishing at the FTC website: <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams>

– Ronnie Trowbridge, President

## Treasurer's Report

### HGB Cash as of January 31, 2021

#### General Funds

CDs (2)	\$9,927.39
Money Market account	\$35,284.24
General Checking account	\$26,603.09
	<b>\$71,814.72</b>

#### Allocated General Funds

Library Fund	\$1,987.76
Equipment Fund	\$7,057.14
MOST Technology Fund	\$964.83
	<b>-\$10,009.73</b>

#### Available General Funds

\$61,804.99

#### Restricted Funds (These funds cannot be used for Guild Expenses)

Schacht Money Market	\$7,266.83
Strickler Money Market	\$10,674.05

## From the Evening Chair...

Weaving a Community. That was the theme of the inspiring Evening Guild presentation by Elizabeth Morissette, and it feels like there is truly no better time to focus on the value of community than now, as we all ride through the end of this socially-distanced winter. While we can't all be together right now, we can still reach out and keep in contact, emerging on the other side of COVID tighter-knit than before.

To that end, I encourage you to sign up for the Evening Guild mailing list. My plans for this list are to send out periodic emails accenting aspects of the last Evening meeting: providing the transcript of the Zoom chat and any mentioned links, plus highlights of the show-and-tell and hopefully a bit of inspiration to tide you over until the next meeting. I don't want to spam anyone, though, so this list will be opt-in only!

**Sign up here:** <https://bit.ly/2ZiTHfT>

Last spring at this time, we were all working on our Evening Guild challenge. The theme was Collaboration: we each started a project but didn't finish, instead swapping with another member, who continued to work on it. We swapped a few times before getting sidelined by COVID. Needless to say, we weren't able to conclude the challenge. How should we proceed? Please stick around after the March Evening presentation to kick around some ideas.

Speaking of, I'm getting excited for the Evening Guild March presentation: "A Hungarian Felting Trip," by Flóra Carlile-Kovács. I look forward to taking a virtual fibery journey with you all.

– Nicole Drane, *Evening Chair*

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## Help! I can't find the Zoom invite email...

We are aware some members have experienced an inconvenience trying to locate a HGB Zoom invite. Please keep in mind:

- Zoom meeting invites are emailed to all HGB members on the **Friday before the program.**
- Subject line in future email Zoom meeting invites will be **Handweavers Guild of Boulder: Zoom Invite for (month) Programs.**
- HGB Zoom meeting invites are also posted on the HGB website under Members/Announcements. **You must login as a member to access Members/Announcements.**

### Forgot your HGB website password?

1. Go to <https://www.handweaversofboulder.org>
2. At the top right corner, click on the blue and white icon of a person.
3. Click "forgot password."
4. Enter your email, click "I am not a robot" and click submit.
5. Check your email for the instructions to reset your password.

## Stay Connected

### A message from the Board...

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

In February, the Board called each guild member to say an old-fashioned hello. If we were not able to have a conversation with you, and you would like us to try to reach you again, please email [memberatlarge@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:memberatlarge@handweaversofboulder.org) and provide us with a phone number and the best time to reach you.

- Do you have any ideas you would like to share about keeping the membership involved?
- Any other feedback for the Board?
- Please email suggestions or guild questions to [memberatlarge@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:memberatlarge@handweaversofboulder.org).



### Visit the HGB website

<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.

**Evening Guild Mailing List opt-in:** <https://bit.ly/2ZiTHfT>



### Visit HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale

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



### Find us on Facebook

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



### Find us on Instagram

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

## “Virtual Tour”

Dear Members:

The Program Committee had hoped to provide for the February program a “Virtual Tour” video of the six shops in the Boulder-Longmont-Lafayette-Louisville area that carry yarn and other fiber art supplies. As you know, the pandemic has made mask-wearing a must, and gathering in small places was not going to be a healthful option. So, after postponements, we decided to cancel the idea. However, we would like to list the shops here, so that you are aware that they are open for business and would like to serve our fiber art community.

Please try to support our local shops and try to help them remain viable so that when the pandemic is over, they will still be here!

### Art Parts Creative Reuse Center

2860 Bluff Street  
Boulder, CO 80301  
720-379-5328  
<https://www.artpartsboulder.org>  
email: [info@artpartsboulder.org](mailto:info@artpartsboulder.org)

### Fabricate

2017 17th Street  
Boulder, CO 80302  
303-997-8245  
<https://fabricateboulder.com>  
email: [contact@fabricateboulder.com](mailto:contact@fabricateboulder.com)

### Fingerplay Studio

901 Front St, Suite 135  
Louisville, CO 80027  
303-868-8470  
<https://FingerPlayStudio@gmail.com>  
email: [celeste@fingerplaystudio.com](mailto:celeste@fingerplaystudio.com)

### Longmont Yarn Shoppe

454 Main St.,  
Longmont, CO 80501  
303-678-8242  
<https://www.longmontyarn.com>  
email: [Gail@longmontyarn.com](mailto:Gail@longmontyarn.com)

### Maverick Fiber Arts

2770 Dagney Way, Suite 108  
Lafayette, CO 80002  
303-665-5591  
<https://maverickfiberarts.com>  
email: [messages@squaremktg.com](mailto:messages@squaremktg.com)

### Shuttles, Spindles & Skeins

For purchases or questions, please email:  
[shuttles@shuttlesspindlesandskeins.com](mailto:shuttles@shuttlesspindlesandskeins.com)

## Spring 2021 Programs

Please note: HGB Zoom programs are live and will not be recorded.

**APRIL 2021 – Liz Spear** <https://www.lizspearhandwoven.com>  
Liz has been a full time craftsperson since 1978. At first as a potter and now a weaver of cloth and maker of garments.

April 12 at 10:00 a.m., “Sewing to Update & Reuse your Handmade & Collected Fabrics”

April 13 at 7:00 p.m., “Piecing & Patching an Array of Fabrics – Nuno Felt, Woven & Collected”

**MAY 2021 – Judy Newland** <https://www.clothgirl.com>  
Judy has been a weaver, spinner, and dyer for over forty years. She has worked in the museum field for over 20 years. Judy curated the Navajo Rugs exhibit that was at the CU Museum a few years ago. She has blogged about textiles for WARP and ClothRoads.

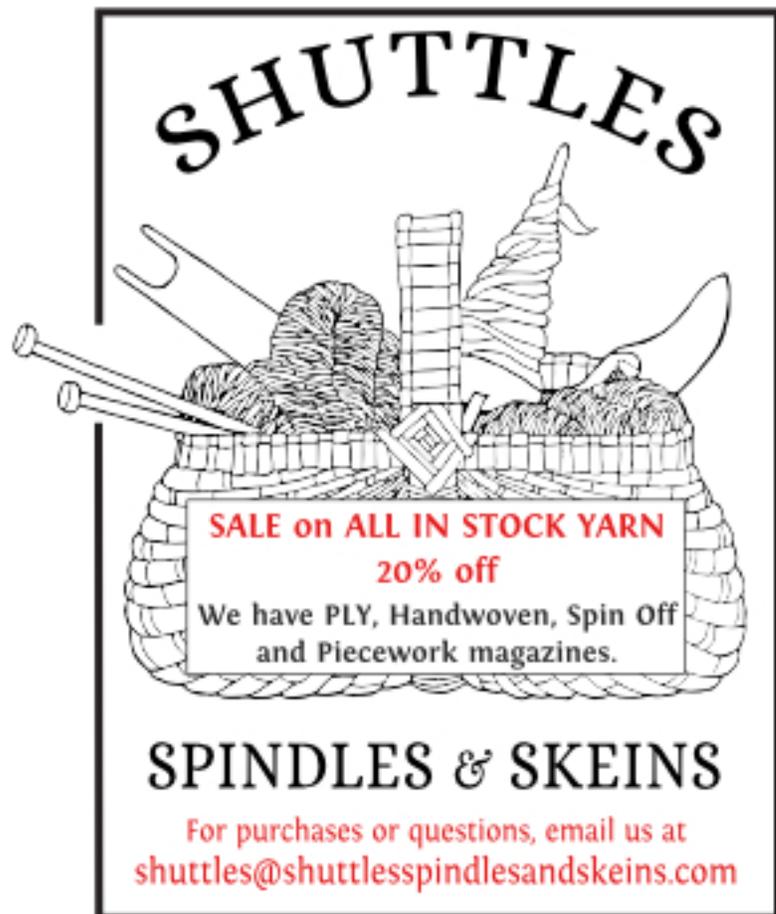
May 10 at 10:00 a.m., “Exploring the Meaning of Textiles Through Time and Place”

May 11 at 7:00 p.m., “Navajo Weaving – An Enduring Tradition”

**Not a HGB member?** If you would like Zoom program access, please email [programs@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:programs@handweaversofboulder.org).

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

**For more information,** please visit the HGB website: <https://handweaversofboulder.org/join.html>



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# HGB FIBER ART SHOW & SALE 1971 - 2021



November 3-7, 2021 • Daily 10-6 • Sunday 10-3  
Boulder County Fairgrounds • Longmont • Colorado  
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## Sale Chair Message

Dear Members,

As you know, the Annual Handweavers Show & Sale takes a “village” to mount. Although we are 9 months from the 2021 Show & Sale, the Sale Technology Committee (STC) has already begun.

**Guidelines and Important Dates for the 2021 HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale will be published by the Sale Technology Committee committee by June 1, 2021.**

One of the innovations created by the STC last year was CATS (Curious About the Sale). If you are new to the Guild, new to the Show & Sale or just need reminders, please look at the CATS videos available at both the Guild website (<https://www.handweaversofboulder.org>) or the Show & Sale website (<https://www.hgbsale.org>). These are available to you anytime, so no need to make a reservation.

While we may have updates to some procedures and/or standards for this year’s Show & Sale, the CATS videos will give you an idea of how to prepare for the 2021 Show & Sale. The Showcase Theme this year is **COLORFUL COLORADO**. Your fiber interpretation of this theme is eagerly anticipated – what are you doing?

The dates for the 2021 HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale are November 3 to 7, 2021 at the Boulder County Fairgrounds in Longmont. While we are all eagerly anticipating a 2021 Show & Sale, HGB will follow all Boulder County Health Guidelines to make this a safe and productive Show & Sale for both you as an exhibitor/volunteer and for our customers.

Keep fibering!

– Maribeth Hite, 2021 Sale Chair  
[salechair@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:salechair@handweaversofboulder.org)

## Spin! Dye! Bobbin! Weave! Show & Sale Committee – Publicity Activities

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

As you continue making glorious fiber creations during the year in anticipation of the HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale please consider sharing those jewels with the public!

Consider joining fellow HGB members who share their work with the world in their Artist Portfolios on the [hgbsale.org](http://hgbsale.org) website!

### • 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)

## Events & Opportunities:

### **Cancelled – 2021 Intermountain Weaver's Conference**

*(email, February 9, 2021)*

Handweavers Guild of Boulder,

We have worked very hard this past year to conduct an in-person conference in July 2021. Upon review of the current vaccination status and the numerous uncertainties as to what life will be like in July 2021, we have made the difficult decision to cancel the conference for 2021.

Our main concern is to have a safe, healthy and enjoyable event and we do not know if that will be possible. We could not wait any longer to make a decision because the workshop leaders and Fort Lewis College need to solidify their plans. We decided the financial and other risks of going forward with conference registration, and then having to cancel at a later date, are too high. We are truly disappointed that we are not able to go forward with this event.

Please keep checking our website with updated information about the 2023 Intermountain Weavers Conference. We hope to have more information in the near future. We will be emailing the members as soon as we have solidified the 2023 information. Even though there will not be a conference in 2021, we hope that you will renew your membership. Doing so will help IWC, and will keep you informed about the 2023 conference.

We are still in need of several people to step up and volunteer for the Board for the 2023 Conference. The application is on the website: [www.intermountainweavers.org](http://www.intermountainweavers.org).

We hope to see you in 2023.

– Your IWC Board

## 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/>

## 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)
- **Day Spinners**  
Contact: [dayspinners@handweaversofboulder.org](mailto:dayspinners@handweaversofboulder.org)
- **Sprang Group**  
Contact Selena Billington: 303-494-8624 or [selena.billington@fitchfamily.org](mailto:selena.billington@fitchfamily.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: [pwwagener@comcast.net](mailto:pwwagener@comcast.net)

## New Classified Ads:

**FOR SALE:** A Jonathan Bosworth Double Treadle Journey Wheel. In excellent condition. Photos available upon request.

Contact Sandee Jaastad, [sandeejaastad@gmail.com](mailto:sandeejaastad@gmail.com), or 719-395-4849

– *Member of Heart of the Rockies FiberArts Guild (a past president) in Salida and Buena Vista*

**FOR SALE:** Eight-harness, sixty-inch “Colonial” Leclerc loom for sale.

Included items: Leclerc bench, two reeds (4 dent and 10 dent), double warp beam. Loom can be rigged as a counter balance or jack type loom.

In the 25 plus years I’ve owned the loom, I’ve woven intricate fine silk fabric for clothing, wool upholstery fabric, linen drapery fabric, rugs – the list goes on.

Price is negotiable. Contact: Sue Henrikson at 303-444-3547.

– *HGB Member*



## Free Advertising!

HGB is offering FREE advertising on its digital issues of the 2021 April and May issues of *The Beat*, to **any fiber related industry/operation**. In return, we ask that you agree to purchase advertising in *The Beat* during the next Guild year (September 2021 - June 2022 issues of *The Beat*.) **Please share this offer with your favorite fiber retailers!**

**Classified Ads are free to members – 25 words or less!**

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

The **deadline** for the **April issue** of *The Beat* is **March 12.**

The **deadline** for the **May issue** of *The Beat* is **April 16.**

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.