

The *BEAT*

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

December HGB Mini-program

Guild Day Meeting Monday, December 12, 2022

9:00am Library/Social, 9:30am Holiday Celebration Buffet begins,
10:00am Announcements & Mini-program,
10:30am Ornament Exchange
Mountain View Methodist Church Barker Hall

Guild Evening Meeting Tuesday, December 13, 2022

6:00pm Set-up, 6:30pm Holiday Celebration Buffet followed by
Announcements, Mini-program and Ornament Exchange
Mountain View Methodist Church Frasier Parlor

Click [here](#) for directions to in-person meeting location

Holiday Celebration and Ornament Exchange

The celebration starts with food -- of course!

- All are invited to contribute a ready to serve and easily shared food item - along with any utensils required for serving
- Pack in your own dinnerware, utensils and napkins to reduce waste

Program - Jane McAtee - Estate Planning for Crafters

HGB Board Member and retired attorney Jane McAtee will share a brief presentation on best practices for making sure your tools and stash do not end up at Goodwill, or worse in the dumpster.

Ornament Exchange - A White Elephant Tradition

The HGB holiday white elephant is a handmade fiber art related ornament exchange, each participant brings one wrapped handmade fiber related ornament to the Holiday Celebration. Once everyone is assembled, each person will draw a number. The person with number "1" chooses an ornament to unwrap. The person with number "2" has a choice: They may choose a new, wrapped ornament, or they may take the unwrapped ornament from the first person. If they take the ornament from the first person, that person chooses another ornament to unwrap. The person with the number "3" may choose any previously unwrapped ornament or a new, still wrapped ornament. The game continues until all ornaments have been unwrapped and everyone has a gift. *The handmade fiber related ornament may be created by the member or acquired by other means.*



The ornament exchange is a long-standing tradition leading to many laughs and a few quick steals! Come join in the fun -- or watch the commotion! The choice is yours! Good Holiday to All!

This year, the Ornament Exchange will occur at both the Day and Evening Meetings (participation is optional but lots of fun!)

January HGB Program

Guild Day Meeting Monday, January 16, 2023

Zoom, 9:30am Zoom opens, 10:00am Meeting begins

Guild Evening Meeting Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Zoom, 6:30pm Zoom opens, 7:00pm Meeting begins

Zoom link will be emailed to Members on Friday before meetings
Guests may request link with

president@handweaversofboulder.org

Robbie LaFleur

Robbie LaFleur, from Minneapolis, Minnesota, has been following a thread of Scandinavian textiles since she studied weaving at Valdres Husflidsskole in Fagernes, Norway in 1977. She continued her study with Scandinavian instructors at workshops in Norway and the U.S.

She was awarded the Gold Medal in Weaving from the Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum in 2006. She was a fellow with the Scandinavian American Foundation in 2019, and traveled to Stavanger, Norway, to study the wool transparency technique of famed artist Frida Hansen.

She recently completed a commission through a grant from the Nordic American Churches Preservation Project. Four tapestries for the Valley Grove Preservation Society in historical billedvev (Norwegian tapestry style) celebrate two historical churches in southern Minnesota.

Robbie coordinates the Weavers Guild of Minnesota Scandinavian Weavers Study Group and is the editor and publisher of the quarterly Norwegian Textile Letter.

Day Presentation: From Virgins to Spaceships: A Visual Voyage through Norwegian Tapestry

Evening Presentation: Frida Hansen - A Norwegian Art Nouveau Artist in Wool



President's Message

It's snowing outside and Thanksgiving will have passed when you read this message. We at HGB have so much to be grateful for – our community of like-minded fiber enthusiasts who give us endless inspiration and encouragement – and members like you who have given of themselves to build up HGB.

Many thanks to all the Sale Team led by Jennifer Hill for pulling off HGB's largest outreach event of the year over one week at the Boulder County Fairgrounds! The HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale was a feast for the eyes and the hands!

Congratulations to the Showcase entrants, to Sue Hintz-Siegrist, Showcase Manager, to Debbie Davis, recipient of the Juror's Award and to Beth Fowler, recipient of the People's Choice Award. Thank you to Judy Steinkoenig, Showcase Juror.

Thank you to the Nominating Committee, Cathy Regan, Babs Herrli and Heide Murray, for bringing their enthusiasm and love for the Guild to bear in putting together the 2023-24 slate for the HGB Board. And thank you for thoughtfully considering joining the Guild leadership team.

Thank you to all who have donated to HGB either directly or through Colorado Gives. Your financial gifts keep the Guild strong and healthy into the future.

Happy holidays to all – may you find peace, creativity and community as you move through the holiday season and into the new year.

– Amy Mundinger, 2021-2023 President
president@handweaversofboulder.org

Support your Guild

The HGB Nominating Committee is looking for folks to join the HGB Board this coming year to encourage connections within the Guild, promote curiosity outside your expertise, and have fun! Our Guild has thrived for nearly 60 years because of the active engagement of its members.

Seven positions need your enthusiasm and guidance for the 23-24 year: President, Secretary (never have to speak in public), Treasurer, Website Administrator (can be done from afar), Sale Chair, Program Planning Chair, Member at Large (one-on-one conversations with members).

Nominate yourself! Nominate someone you think would be great for a position! Nominate the person next to you wishing things were different! The committee will follow up with all suggested nominees. No one will be considered without their permission. Thank you to those who have already made nominations.

We look forward to hearing from you to request more information or to make a nomination at memberatlarge@handweaversofboulder.org

—Babs Herrli, Heide Murray, and Cathy Regan



Evening Chair Message

Our November zoom program with Boisali Biswas was very inspiring. The wide variety of techniques and materials she incorporates into her amazing hangings and quilts are impressive. Notable also are the efforts she goes to in using things that she already has, or that would otherwise end up as trash.

For our December meeting, after a 2-year hiatus, we will be back together again for our traditional holiday gathering: a potluck dinner, followed by our "white elephant" gift exchange. We will start dinner at 6:30pm (note the change from the announcement in the November Beat) at our usual meeting place. We will also need to each bring our own place setting, and serving pieces for our potluck dish, if needed. Cups will be provided. For our gift exchange, please bring a handmade ornament, wrapped but not labeled. I'm looking forward to our return to this tradition, and hope you are, as well.

– Joanne George, 2022-2023 Evening Chair
eveningchair@handweaversofboulder.org

New policies from your HGB Board

HGB Photography/ Media Policy: When you attend an HGB meeting, workshop, or event, photography/videography may take place for use in promoting the Guild through print or other media. By attending, you give your consent to photography/videography and to the release of such media.

HGB Policy for Member Use of Guild Member Directory: HGB Members have access to the Guild Member Directory for the sole purpose of individually contacting other members for fiber-related inquiries. The HGB Member Directory is not to be used for any solicitation or business-related uses and is not to be shared with third parties.

Created and approved by HGB Board at November 16, 2022 Board Meeting.

Upcoming Workshops

Registration is not yet open for these workshops. Please look for future announcements in The Beat, in guild emails and on the HGB website. Questions?

Contact programsplanning@handweaversofboulder.org

February 2023: Knitting with Beads with Laura Nelkin. Workshop will be held on Zoom. Date February 15, 2023 6pm –8pm. Find out more about Laura Nelkin's work [here](#).

March 2023: An Introduction to Bark Fibers: Innovative techniques for textured surface designers, weavers, stitchers, fiber collage artists, papermakers, and basket artists with Jill Powers. Workshop will be held in-person on Saturday, April 15, 2023. Find out more about Jill Powers' work [here](#).

May 2023: Workshop 1: Crossbody Handbag with Beth Marx. Workshop will be held in-person on Friday, May 5, 2023. Workshop 2: Felted Pullover Top or Poncho with Beth Marx. This two-day workshop will be held in-person on Saturday & Sunday, May 6-7, 2023. Find out more about Beth Marx [here](#).



**In Memory of
Patricia Wilson Wier
9/13/1949 - 10/29/2022**

Pat Wier, a longtime member of HGB and the Evening Weavers Study Group, passed away on October 29th after a short illness. Pat was a microbiologist, accomplished weaver, gardener, memorable cook, and much-loved wife to Stuart, mother of Sally and Thomas, and grandmother of two.

Pat earned a doctorate in microbiology from Princeton University in 1977, where she met and married her husband, Stuart Wier. They moved to Boulder in 1976. Pat taught at Colorado Women's College and worked in a microbiology lab at CU. After their children were born, Pat decided to work at home full time.

Pat started weaving when her children were still young and never stopped. She wove table linens, towels, curtains, blankets, scarves, and more for her family and friends. Her favorite fiber was linen. The Guild awarded her a Strickler Grant for a class at Vavstuga to study how to process flax plants to produce linen yarn; she presented her experience to the Guild for the March 2020 programs just days before the Covid shutdown. For a few years, she grew her own flax plants and processed them all the way through to spun fiber. For her very fine, detailed cloth she designed her own patterns, fabrics, and color combinations, and her work always demonstrated her meticulous, careful craftsmanship.

Those who knew Pat know she had an incredible warmth, a big heart full of compassion, unconditional love for her family and friends, a cheerful sense of humor, an adventurous spirit, and abundant tenacity and grit. She will be dearly missed.

Submitted by Joan Torgow

Announcements

HGB Member Alexandra Busby is teaching a needle felted Christmas Garland class. We'll use cookie cutters as templates and add fun details. December 3rd - learn more at fingerplaystudio.com

Longmont Community Crochet Guild meets every 1st Wednesday of the month, at the Firehouse Art Center, 667 4th Ave., Longmont, 6pm to 9pm. Free and open to all levels! Email longmontcrochet@gmail.com, or find us on Instagram [@longmontcrochet](https://www.instagram.com/longmontcrochet)

Knitters, crocheters & sewers! Longmont Meals on Wheels is collecting 400 pairs of homemade mittens or gloves for our clients for the holidays. For more information go to longmontmeals.org/events or contact Annie at annie@lmow.org or 303-772-0540



Guild owned spinning and weaving equipment is available to HGB Guild members. **If you would like to rent equipment, please email:** equipment.rental@handweaversofboulder.org

A list of rental equipment is available on the HGB website under the Members heading, go to [Rental Equipment](#).

The Handweavers Guild of America also has a YouTube Channel with interviews of weavers and fiber artists across the country. [View here](#).



Study Group meeting times and contact information for each study group is posted on the HGB website (you must be logged in as a member) under Members/[Study Groups](#).

[HGB Board meeting minutes](#) are published on the HGB website. (You must login as a member to view Guild Administration.) Under the Members heading, go to Guild Administration. HGB Members are invited to observe HGB Board Meetings. Please email president@handweaversofboulder.org if you would like to observe or Zoom link.

Library Access in December

9am-12noon

December 12, 2022 during Day Meeting

Return & Check-out media

(Next Library Access will be March Day Meeting)

Contact library@handweaversofboulder.org to arrange alternative return of materials



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

The **deadline** for the **January issue** of *The Beat* is **Dec. 16, 2022**.

Visit the HGB website for [advertising details](#). 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.

Words of THANKS! from The Sale Chair

THANK YOU!!! I was pretty sure the Show & Sale would rock. And it did, all thanks to YOU!!

I cannot express enough how much it means to me to have so much support from everyone who participated. Whether it was as an artist, a volunteer, a shopper, or someone who distributed business cards and postcards: **THANK YOU!**

We had 99 member artists participate in the Show & Sale with over 7,000 items. Many of the members participating in the Show & Sale were either new to HGB or new to the Show & Sale itself. It made for even greater diversity of items and resulted in a gorgeous display of talent and techniques. **THANK YOU!**

The 2022 Showcase “I make things because I must.” had a spectacular 46 entries that were incredibly diverse. The beautiful pieces on display reflected the variety of skills the member artists of our Guild embrace. Deborah Davis received the Juror’s Choice Award for her tapestry weaving “Violet Descending.” Beth Fowler received the People’s Choice Award for her handwoven jacket “Cabernet, Merlot, Pinot and a Splash of Chardonnay.” Congratulations to Debbie and Beth!

My goal for the Show & Sale this year was to fall somewhere between the 2021 results and the average results from past years. Astonishingly, sales totaled \$144,569 - just short of 2021 sales! What that means is that all the publicity paid off. Our participating artists had spectacular items to offer, and the public LOVED it.

A huge thanks to Coordinators Tsy Schupack, Selena Billington, and Avedan Raggio who spent a great deal of time and effort getting me up to speed on such short notice. A shout out to the members of the Sale Technology Committee: Selena Billington, Carly Halweg-Edwards, Jana Wagner, Wendy Hall, Judy Missey, Jade Perez, Dixie George, DJ Lynch, and BA Johnston for everything they did to make things run so smoothly. Special thanks to Mia Sherman for coordinating our props, Glenne Stoll for taking on set-up responsibilities, Sue Hintz-Siegrist for a gorgeous Showcase display, Chandra and Danika Baker for arranging treats for the Member Reception, Angella Dirks for coordinating the demonstrations, and Maribeth Hite for volunteering to be Assistant Chair. I have probably missed some folks, and I apologize if I did. Everyone on the Show & Sale Committee: your time and commitment are the reason why our customers were able to enjoy the bounty of our member artists!

I will be coordinating a Show & Sale Wrap-Up meeting for the second week of January 2023. All members are welcome to attend, I especially encourage those who participated, volunteered, or shopped at the Show & Sale to share their experiences. In the meantime, please feel free to email me with thoughts or suggestions at SaleChair@handweaversofboulder.org (especially while they are still fresh in your mind).

Just ... WOW! All of YOU are awesome. THANK YOU!

I am officially out of adjectives.
 Jennifer Hill, 2022 Show & Sale Chair

SHOWCASE PRESENTATION

“I make things because I must.”

Helen Davis - Artist Statement

Visit the Showcase Online

The 2022 Juried Showcase honored longtime HGB member Helen Davis in recognition of her significant lifetime contributions to the fiber arts and generous support of the Handweavers Guild of Boulder.

Visit all the Showcase entries online



Juror’s Choice Award

Deborah Davis

Violet Descending

Handwoven tapestry on vertical loom with wool weft, cotton seine warp



People’s Choice Award

Beth Fowler

Cabernet, Merlot, Pinot and a Splash of Chardonnay

Handwoven 8/2 Tencel in varying shades of purple, red, orange, and gold.



Sue Hintz-Siegrist
 Showcase Manager
left

Judy Steinkoenig
 2022 Juror
right

Congratulations to everyone who made the 2022 HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale a rousing success!



The 2022 HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale kicks off with the Member Reception and Showcase Juror's Choice Award presentation.



2022 HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale Committee

Sale Chair - Jennifer Hill
Assistant Chair - Maribeth Hite
Showcase Manager - Sue Hintz-Siegrist
Publicity Coordinator - Tsy Schupack
Sale Tech Coordinator - Selena Billington/Carly Halweg-Edwards
Standards Coordinator - Avedan Raggio
ADE Manager - Jana Wagner
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2022 Show & Sale Wrap-Up Meeting Coming in January

Please email salechair@handweaversofboulder.org with any comments, suggestions or experiences to assist in continuing to shape and improve the Show & Sale going forward.

[2022 Sale Analysis Report Available Here](#)

Meanwhile -- Save the Dates!

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www.hgbsale.org

Visit www.hgbsale.org for more images of the 2022 HGB Fiber Art Show & Sale

Extraordinary – a community fiber art “maker’s” event.

The Handweavers Guild of Boulder is hosting Professor [Maria Elena Buszek](#) for our two March program meetings. She wrote [Extra/Ordinary: Craft and Contemporary Art](#), a book that, among other things, highlights the importance of craft in the community/craft as activism.

To accompany these programs, HGB, in collaboration with the Dairy Arts Center and community members, will create some craft activism projects as part of a fiber arts installation

OUR GOAL – to create several fiber art works that highlight the impact of climate change.*

Knitters, Crocheters, Weavers, Felters and other fiber artists - Please join us to work on this project. Some of us will be doing parts of a larger piece, others will make their own project, or embellishments to big projects.

January 14th 8am-1pm Dairy Arts Center – review the projects, assign folks to do certain parts and hand out patterns and materials

February 11th 8am-1pm Dairy Arts Center – get together to work on the projects

March 11th 8am-1pm Dairy Arts Center – turn in completed work

We will be exhibiting these works in the Spring, site TBD.

*Ideas under discussion – temperature change in Colorado over 100 years, changes to level and flow of Colorado River, Disappearing grasslands, reduction/extinction of wildlife worldwide.

Questions? Contact Jane McAtee

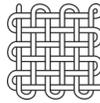
at programsplanning@handweaversofboulder.org

Items found at the sale

Some items were left in the Lost & Found at the sale. There were two blue jackets, an earring in a tear-drop shape with a blue green stone and a necklace with a group of trees. If you are the owner, please contact Jana at treasurer@handweaversofboulder.org to arrange their return.



Staying Connected



Visit the HGB website

www.handweaversofboulder.org

You'll find Gallery of Members' Work 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/>



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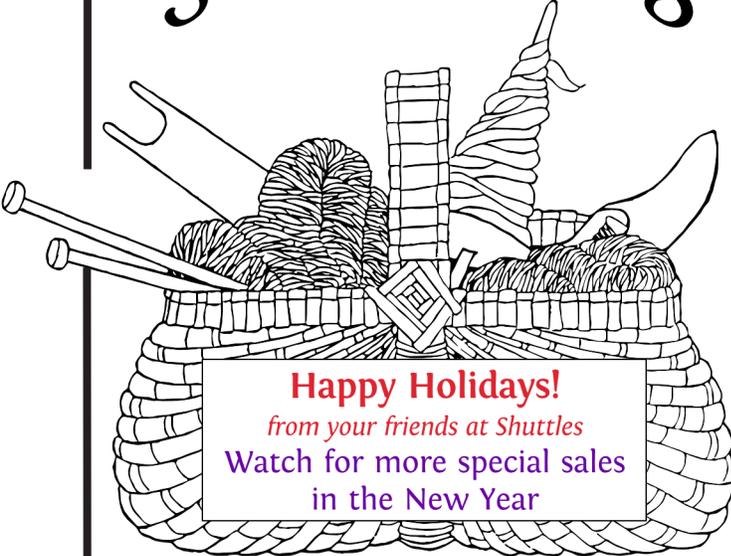
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Thanks for supporting artists & retailers!

Paid advertising from fiber retailers, HGB members and fiber artists supports the guild's mission to educate, support and inspire fiber artists and our community!

During this season of giving, thank you for your ongoing support of the Handweavers Guild of Boulder through generous gifts made through ColoradoGives.org and through the HGB website.

Treasurer's Report

HGB Cash as of 10/31/2022

General Funds

Money Market account	35,302.75
General Checking account	41,464.71
	\$76,767.46

Allocated General Funds

CWD Scholarship Fund	1,379.59
Equipment Fund	7,762.14
Library Fund	1,429.76
MOST Technology Fund	3,325.46
	(\$13,896.95)

Available General Funds **\$62,870.51**

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

Schacht Money Market	\$7,270.53
Strickler Money Market	\$14,268.93

Join or Renew

2022-2023 HGB membership!

HGB encourages members to [join/renew](#) on our safe and secure platform. Follow the link to also find a printable membership form to be mailed with a check. Mail registrations may take 2-3 weeks to process.



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Lucienne Coifman, Rep Weaving

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Molly Elkind, Tapestry

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Jennifer Moore, Color Weaving

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Jane Patrick, Rigid Heddle Weaving

Deborah Silver, Split-Shed Weaving



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Please email a board member with any HGB questions or concerns. Members are always welcome to attend Board meetings.



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Upcoming Classes

Coiled Vessels: Level 2 (in person)
Mary Balzer - Dec. 2nd

Ravelry 200 via ZOOM
Kathy Partridge - Dec. 3rd

Creative Stitches for Punch
Needle Rug Hooking
Rebecca Martin - Dec. 3rd

Introduction to Brioche:
Two Color Brioche in the Round via ZOOM
Jennifer Miller - Dec. 4th

Simple Mittens
Heather McChesney - Dec. 4th

A Taste of Machine Knitting
Yarn Squirrel Knitting - Dec. 10th

Machine Knitting! Knit a Beanie in 3 Hours
Yarn Squirrel Knitting - Dec. 17th

Spinning with Intention: Plying
Darla Landfair & Mark Riehm - Dec. 12th

Special Events

Winter Passports- Stop by LYS to pick up
your Downtown Longmont Winter Passport

Join us for Evening Handwork on December
9th from 6-8pm

Fiberside Chats via Zoom

Saltwater Knitting with Christine LeGrow
& Shirley Anne Scott - Dec. 4th

Ziggurats! with Åsa Tricosa - Dec. 11th

Fiber Fridays via Zoom

Grand Canyon Hat with
Nancy Bates - Dec. 2nd

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Nancy Bates - Dec. 9th



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