



# Telaraña Tidings

Newsletter of the Telaraña Weavers and Spinners Guild  
[www.Telarana.org](http://www.Telarana.org)

September, 2014

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**September Guild Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 10, 2014**

**Outreach Center of the First United Methodist Church** First Avenue and Center St., Mesa. It is the free-standing building in the Southeastern corner of the parking lot. There are entrances to the lot from north & south: First Avenue and Second Avenue. The room will be open by 6:30 pm.

**Hospitality:** Welcome back for our new term! As is our tradition, Telarana Board members will be providing the refreshments for the September meeting. Please remember to label your dish, list ingredients and bring serving utensils. Signups for future months will be available at the September meeting. If you prefer, you can contact Nancy Pimentel by email to volunteer. We're looking forward to a great fall and the chance to reconnect with everyone. Your participation in Hospitality brightens the meetings and is appreciated by everyone! Thank you.

**Raffle:** We will have raffle baskets for the September meeting, so bring your money and your lucky charm!

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## President's Message

Dear Telaranians,



Wow! I can't believe that summer is over and a new year has begun for the Guild! Of course, I said that last year also.

I had a fun summer but it went way too quickly, I think when you are a teacher you feel that way, but parents don't.

I traveled to Brasstown, North Carolina to the John C. Campbell Folk Art School at the end of June and beginning of July. Betz Frederick and Marilyn Kissam were my fellow travelers and workshop mates. We spent a week designing, sampling and weaving a sample coverlet in overshot, maybe someday we will weave our own. Betz and Marilyn were great roomies, we have much in common and if you need to travel with anyone these are your ladies. The school was fantastic and I highly recommend taking any type of class from them. Everyone was friendly, our classroom was good and the family style dinners prepared from their gardens were fantastic! We traveled one day to Asheville and made quick rounds to a yarn shop and then onto the Earth Guild. What a store, there was

something for all types of fiber and other art supplies. They have been around for over 40 years. We were their best customers that day!

I traveled for my usual vacation to northern Wisconsin. It was nice to sit on the deck and spin, knit, read and relax. I made my usual trip to the Yarn Harbor in Duluth, Minnesota, and bought yarns that we don't have locally.

I bought Ann Lindstrom's Louet Octado CompuDobby loom at the end of May. Everything is set up and ready to go, but I haven't had time to focus and I am very nervous about getting started!

The Guild has an exciting year ahead! You can learn more as you read this newsletter. Under the guidance of Betz, Brenda Brock has our Programs set to go, and Marilyn Kissam has arranged the

### 2014-2015 Estimated Budget

| <b>INCOME</b>        | <b>Amount</b>      |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Membership           | \$2,000.00         |
| Ways & Means         | \$1,500.00         |
| Workshops & Trips    | \$6,700.00         |
| Mesa Art Guild Sales | \$4,100.00         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>\$14,300.00</b> |

| <b>EXPENSES</b>                 |                    |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Banking Fees                    | \$10.00            |
| Programs                        | \$496.00           |
| Workshops & Trips               | \$6,600.00         |
| Exhibitions & Mesa Art Show     | \$500.00           |
| Hospitality                     | \$200.00           |
| Rent                            | \$525.00           |
| Insurance                       | \$500.00           |
| Website                         | \$276.00           |
| Ways & Means                    | \$100.00           |
| Membership                      | \$50.00            |
| Newsletter                      | \$200.00           |
| Library                         | \$400.00           |
| Publicity                       | \$75.00            |
| Historical                      | \$100.00           |
| Governance                      | \$175.00           |
| Secretary                       | \$20.00            |
| Other - storage cabinet, labels | \$330.00           |
| Scholarship                     | \$200.00           |
| Mesa Art Guild Commission & tax | \$3,360.00         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$14,117.00</b> |

Diff between income & expenses \$183.00

Workshops for the year. Thank you ladies, it's going to be a great year! If you have any questions please contact them.

Paula Rudnick, a brand new member and Betz are in charge of our sale for the Mesa Art Center in December. You can read more in the newsletter.

Finally, it is time to renew your membership! \$25 Is all it takes for you to participate in our wonderful Guild. Our first official meeting is the second Wednesday of September, the 10<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 9pm, at the First Methodist Church in Mesa, in the Outreach Building. Caroline Wise is presenting a program on Sprang. We will see you in September, and bring a friend or two!

Sincerely,

Debi

### Minutes of Board Meeting

#### Telarana Board met at the Stapley fire station on Wednesday, August 27, 2014.

Meeting called to order by Debi Deadmond at 7:012 p.m.

Members present: Debi, Lorri, Nancy P., Marilyn, Shannon, Brenda, Sharie, Cindy, Betz, Linda, Gloria and Jean

**Board Meetings:** Next board meeting to be announced.

The building for the next program meeting should be opened by 6:30 p.m. The dance studio is still sharing space and may be in their renovated

building in the near future.

**Treasurer:** Betz reported a bank balance of \$9,473.85. The budget was presented. Lorri made a motion to accept the budget as amended. Nancy P. seconded. Motion carried.

**Membership:** Nancy W. reported there were 114 members last year. With new members over the summer meetings she reports we have 55 paid members today. Members will be reminded to bring their checkbooks to pay their 2014-2015 dues at the September meeting.

**Show and Tell:** A discussion was opened as to where it would be most beneficial to set up the photograph area and the display tables.

**Workshops:** Marilyn and group have been busy planning new workshops for the coming year. See newsletter for planned workshops.

**Programs:** Brenda reported on the great programs set up for the coming year. Please see newsletter for details.

**Publicity:** Shannon has been busy setting up for flyers.

**Hospitality:** Nancy P. is researching storage for the supplies for hospitality. Board members are asked to bring the refreshments for the September meeting. There will be a signup sheet for refreshments at the meeting for program attendees to provide goodies for remaining meetings. Please sign up and "treat" our guild to your favorite.

**Newsletter:** Linda filled in for Phil and asked that newsletter items be sent in a timely manner for the monthly newsletter.

**Library:** Linda has received 2 boxes of books donated by Cynthia for the library cart. Suggestions were made for members to write and submit a short book review when returning a book back to the library cart.

**Demonstrations:** Jean will give a short summary of what is a demo and how to report your volunteer time. There is going to be demo time at Heritage Square. Details soon.

**Study groups:** The spinner study group is going to play with carders, combs and blending boards on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of September from 12-2 at Shadow Mountain clubhouse. Please email or call Jean for more details.

Navajo Tapestry Group meets 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month from 9-12 at the Palo Verde building at Mesa Community College located at Power and McKellips. See Sharie for more details.

The weaving study group meets each month. Please ask Debi or Linda for details.

**Ways & Means:** There will be magazines for sale at the meeting. Knit and Crochet and Handwoven issues will be available.

**Scholarships:** Gloria made a motion to continue the \$200 scholarship for the new year. Sharie seconded. Motion carried.

**Federation:** Gloria reports a Federation meeting on October 25 from 1-4 to discuss alternate ways to present Fibers Thru Time.

**MAC show:** Betz and Paula will be spearheading the Mesa Arts Show this year. Sharie made a motion to keep the entry fee to sell your items at \$20 with 15% of the sales to go to the Guild. Brenda seconded. Motion carried.

Anyone willing to lend a Hopi style ladder for display at the show, please contact Betz or Paula.

**Guild equipment:** There is a list of looms available for member use. Please see Betz for the checkout agreement. Lovely plaque labels have been affixed to the looms for Telarana identification.

Debi made a motion to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Lorri seconded. Approved by all.

Lorri Van Weelden, Telarana Secretary

## September Program- September 10, 2014

Carolyn Wise, last year's Telarana Scholarship recipient, shares her experiences from the Sprang Workshop given by Carolyn James at Fibers Through Time. She introduces us to sprang, a frame loom-based craft that produces a netting-like, elastic fiber. Her presentation includes photographic examples of the craft, a demonstration of the technique on a work in progress, and a finished object. If you are interested in a preview, see the web site [sashweaver.com](http://sashweaver.com) of Carolyn James.

### 2014 - 2015 Executive Board

#### Executive Officers

|                |               |           |                   |
|----------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|
| President      | Debi Deadmond | Secretary | Lorri Van Weelden |
| Vice-President | Linda Wade    | Treasurer | Betz Frederick    |

#### Committee Chairs

|                  |                 |                |                |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Demonstrations   | Jean Doig       | Membership     | Nancy Wanek    |
| Exhibits & Shows | Betz Frederick  | Newsletter     | Phil Leonard   |
| Co-chairs        | Paula Rudnick   | Programs       | Brenda Brock   |
| Federation       | Gloria Traicoff | Publicity      | Shannon Arns   |
| Historian        | Wendy Beaver    | Ways and Means | Sharie Monsam  |
| Hospitality      | Nancy Pimental  | Workshops      | Marilyn Kissam |
| Library          | Linda Wade      | Website        | Cindy Reynolds |

## Next Telarana Workshop

Traditional Yoruba Batik & Tie Dye

Nov. 14, 15 & 16, 2014 9am-4pm

Gasali Adeymo

During this workshop, students will explore traditional Yoruba Batik & Tie-Dyeing techniques with indigo dyes while learning about the arts and culture of the Yoruba people of West Africa from native artist Gasali Adeymo. You will create beautiful cloth using wax resist, experimenting with patterns and deep indigo colors. All levels welcome.



**Where:** United Methodist Church, 15 East 1st Ave., Mesa, AZ 85210

**Deposit:** \$75 for Telarana members starting September 10.

Registration will open to non-members on October 9, if space is available.

Maximum class size: 14

Give deposit checks, made out to Telarana Fiber Arts Guild, to Betz Frederick or send to 1371 W 12th Place, Tempe, AZ 85281. **Final cost is expected to be \$125 to \$200.**

Registration deadline is Nov 1. Contact Betz Frederick

[webmaster@telarana.org](mailto:webmaster@telarana.org) for more info

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## Future Meetings & Workshops

8 October 2014 - Gerard Begay - *Navajo Culture and Weaving*. Gerard presents a history of Navajo Culture and Weaving and chronicles his personal weaving odyssey.

12 November 2014 - Gasali Adeymo - *A History of Traditional Yoruba Tie-Dye and Batik*.

10 December 2014 - Potluck and Mesa Arts Festival Planning

14 January 2015 - Nancy Crowley - *A History of Felting*. (Nancy Crowley is also scheduled for two workshops: Jan 17, 18 & half day on 19<sup>th</sup>, *Batt to Hat*, and Jan 24 & half day Jan 25, *Fiber to Footwear*. More information will appear in future newsletters.)

11 February 2015 - Winnie Johnson - *My Trip with Helena Hernmarck*. Winnie shares her textile experiences in Norway and Sweden studying the work of and taking classes with tapestry artist Helena Hernmarck.

Feb 14, 15 & 16 - Jennifer Moore - Beyond the Basics workshop for 4 and 8 shafts. In this round robin workshop participants will explore what can be done with multiple layers of cloth on both a 4- and 8-shaft loom. They will weave samples and study the theory behind a variety of structures including the following: 4-Shaft- 4-Color Sampler, 4-Color Block Rotation, Double-block Layer Exchange, Tubular Log Cabin, Overshot-Patterned Doubleweave 8-Shaft- 4-Layer Weaves, Folded Twill Cloth, Decorative Stitching, Checkerboard, Windows, Two Double-blocks, Twill Pick-up, Block Pick-up.

11 March 2015 - Mini-Workshops, details TBA.

8 April 2015 - Marcia McClellan *Artists' Books*. Marcia will give an overview of the history of the medium, artists' books as a contemporary genre, and will discuss various structures with many examples. (Marcia McClellan will also give an April 11 workshop titled *Artist Books 101*.)

13 May – Stash Sale.

10 June – Potluck and send-off.

## MEMBERSHIP

We ended the 2013-2014 year with 114 members, including family. Over the summer, we welcomed one new member.

Now, as we begin 2014-2015, our membership is down to 55 paid members, including family. Please remember to pay your dues as soon as possible to be sure that you are listed in the new roster. An exciting year is planned with wonderful fiber arts activities, and your renewed membership allows you first access to workshops and events. The guild greatly appreciates your support.

The following is a list of paid members. If your name is not on the list, then you have not yet paid. A check for \$25 (\$30 family) may be sent to Nancy Wanek, Membership Chair, 3846 N. Calisto Circle, Mesa, AZ 85207. Dues may also be paid at the September meeting.

### Paid for 2014-2015:

Arns, Beaver, Brock, Broughton, Chester, Davis, Deadmond, diJeannene, Doig, Dove, Elling, Ewald, Frederick, Gleason, Halle, Helms, Hunt, Jenkins, Katsaros, Kissam, Kline, Lange, LeFevre, Lindstrom, Logan, Martinez, McClellan, McDonald, Monsam, Munk, Murphy, Nelson (Barbara), Oliphant, Ormiston, Pimentel, Reynolds, Romance, Rudnick, Russell, Santiago, Sharp, Silva, Stromberg, Teller, Tillery, Traicoff, Travis, Vangsnes, Van Weelden, Wade, Wakefield, Wanek, Wise, Zorn

## Mesa Arts Festival December 12 & 13, 2014

Telaraña will again have a booth at the **Mesa Arts Festival**. For new members that haven't heard, last year was our first year to participate and we won Best in Show! In addition, our booth fee for this year is waived and we are automatically juried in.

We want this year to be even better. This is a sales booth – not exhibition. Hopefully, you're already making items to sell. If you haven't started, it's not too late. At the September Guild meeting, there will be a sign-up sheet for participants. At this time, it is not a commitment -- we want to get a headcount of how many members plan to participate and number/type of items they anticipate providing. As it gets closer to the date, we'll want more specific info. You can still enter your items in the State Fair, as you will get them back in plenty of time to enter in the sale.

The Exhibits Committee has already started planning. If you have display equipment that we might be able to use in the booth, please let Betz or Paula know. We are looking for volunteers for set-up and take-down. At the meeting, there will be a sign-up for volunteers.

Contact: Betz or Paula at [webmaster@telarana.org](mailto:webmaster@telarana.org).

**Telaraña Scholarships:** Would a scholarship allow you to participate in a fiber-related workshop or seminar? Telarana provides a \$200 scholarship for members for just such occasions! What do you have to do? Complete an application and agree to share what you learn at a future meeting. You may present a short program, demonstration, or workshop for the guild. The deadline for applications is our meeting on December 10. This is a great opportunity to further your fiber arts education.

**Tapestry/Navajo Study Group** meets on the first Saturday of the month, at MCC Red Mountain campus, 9am-12:30. It will be in room 114 of the Palo Verde building. Directions: From the intersection of Power and McKellips, go EAST to the first light and turn LEFT into the Campus. Go to the Stop sign and turn Left. Wind around the campus to the Palo Verde Building. You may park in the Employees' parking lot. We meet in the first classroom on the right, #114. Everyone is welcome!

**Weavers Study Group:** Our meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, 7pm. . All levels of weavers are welcome. For more information, contact Linda W., [webmaster@telarana.org](mailto:webmaster@telarana.org)

**Spinners Study Group:** Next meeting is on September 27, noon – 2pm at Lorri van Weelden's Community Recreation Center. Subject for September: carding/combing (fiber prep). Bring cards, drum carder, flick carder, blending board, combs. Need more info? Email Lorri at [webmaster@telarana.org](mailto:webmaster@telarana.org) or call Jean on her cell (480) 201-5737.

**Interested in a knitting group?** Charee Kovacs lives in Gilbert and would like to start a knitting group at her home. She joined our guild last year after many years in Green Valley, where she hosted the knitting group. Contact her if you are interested: [webmaster@telarana.org](mailto:webmaster@telarana.org)



**Library:** Our Library is a great benefit of your Guild membership. We have books on all types of fiber arts. In addition to books, we are adding DVD's; we have notebooks from workshops held by the Guild and results from study groups. A catalog of our books is posted on our website and in the notebook on the library cart. Check a book out one month and return it the next.

Note: If you have a book that was not returned in May, please be sure to bring it in this month.

**Federation News:** A meeting of the board of the Federation of Arizona Weavers and Spinners Guilds will be held on Oct. 25 From 1 to 4 at the Stapley Firehall. We will be discussing alternative ways of doing FTT, the "Fibers Through Time" conference. Everybody is welcome to attend. Gloria Traicoff, Telarana Representative to the Federation.



Ever thought you might want to learn to weave? Well, now is your chance? Telarana has table looms you can borrow for free. Contact Betz at [betzfrederick@mac.com](mailto:betzfrederick@mac.com) or call 480 966-2101.

## IN AND AROUND TOWN (and elsewhere)

**The City of Chandler Art Walk**, every 3rd Friday, 6-10pm. <http://downtownchandler.org/downtown-chandler-art-walk/>

**Scottsdale Art Walk**, every Thursday, 7-9pm <http://scottsdalegalleries.com/about/scottsdale-artwalk/>

**Heard Museum North**, 32633 N. Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale, "American Indian Fashions: From Lloyd Kive, New to Now" through October 26<sup>th</sup>

**Prescott:** (contact MOUNTAIN SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD) Cass Schorsch is offering two possible workshops in November. The first is a Gorget; a two-dimensional pendant necklace woven from black ash and ultra-suede. The finished size is 2" x 2". This workshop is suitable for experienced or beginner weavers. The cost would be \$15.00 teaching fee plus \$55.00 for materials. The kit provided would have enough materials to weave several of these. The second workshop proposal is the Cedar Bark Cross Stitch. This lovely basket measures 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" x 5" and is made with white cedar and waxed linen. The teaching fee is \$35.00 and materials fees are \$75.00. This would be an intermediate or advanced basket weaving experience.

**Shemer Art Center:** Pushing Paper Juried Exhibition, September 4 – October 9, 2014.  
Opening Reception: Thursday, September 4, 2014 7-9pm

**Tempe**, with work by Ann Morton. Street Gems in Tempe, "*Meaningful Daily Activity*," Tempe Post Office at Mill and 5th Street. Reception - September 6th, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Drinks - 7:30 - 9:00 pm (across the street at Gordon Biersch). Show runs through December 10th, 2014. Come out and see this whimsical installation of Street Gems' flowers under a shower of plastic "rain".

**Phoenix, Eye Lounge**, 419 E. Roosevelt Street, Sept 19 - Oct 12, 2014, EAST GALLERY: ABBEY MESSMER | ANN MORTON

**Phoenix, Sky Harbor Terminal 4**, The 7C's of Arizona.  
(Copper • Cattle • Cotton • Citrus • Climate • Cactus • Canyons ) Drawing from this traditional heritage, these artists have depicted, used or referenced one of the C's in their art. Enjoy a look into Arizona's unique character through contemporary artworks that explore the riches of our state.

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**Digital resource:** Melanie Perkins, a fiber artist and a graduate student at the University of Arizona (U of A), School of Information Resources and Library Science, is working on a project to promote use of the

fiber resource *The On-Line Digital Archive of Documents on Weaving and Related Topics* created by Dr. Ralph Griswold. She has contacted local guilds, and has made available a paper describing the archive, an eclectic collection of documents relating to weaving and all things fiber arts. To access the archive, go to <http://www.digital-archive.org/weaving/index.html>



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