



Telaraña Tidings

Newsletter of the Telaraña Fiber Arts Guild

June 2021

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2021-2022

Executive Committee and Committee Chairs

Executive Committee:

President, Lee Killpack
Vice President, Volunteer
Needed

Treasurer, Cindy Reynolds

Secretary, Carol Gordon

Past President, Winnie
Johnson

Committee Chairs:

Demonstrations, Nancy Wanek

Exhibits and Shows, Cindy Reynolds

Federation, Paula Rudnick

Historian, Russ Johnson

Hospitality, Linda Finkelstein

Library, Karen Kehlenbach

Membership, Melodee Reissen

Newsletter, Phil Leonard

Programs, Nancy Ryan

Publicity, Karen Hartshorn

Ways and Means, Winnie Johnson

Website, Linda Wade

Workshops, Betz Frederick

June Guild Meeting

**Wednesday, June 9, 1pm-VIRTUAL MEETING ON
ZOOM - NOTE TIME CHANGE**

This will be a chance to gather virtually and informally (it is a summer meeting, after all) to discuss fiber experiences at a new time suggested by our recent survey.

No agenda; just time to meet and socialize on ZOOM. Maybe you can bring your latest projects and/or problems for the group to see and consider!
See you there!

**The meeting invitation and link will go out early on
Wed., June 9th.**

September General Meeting September 8, 2021

Hybrid Meeting Live/Zoom - More news below

New Meeting Time

Based on the results of our recent survey, the board has decided to change our meeting time to 1:00 on the Wednesday of each month. During the summer months it will be virtual, with no program planned. It will be basically a chance to see each other online and to share

what we have been working on. Come fall, we hope to be able to meet in person at the church again, and include a virtual presence for those unable to attend.

President's Letter

Dear Guild Members,

We are so grateful to have a bonus June newsletter again this year. Thank you, Marcia and Phil, for offering to put this together. Thanks also, for keeping us connected during a pandemic with your wonderful newsletters.

Hooray!

We are planning for in person meetings starting in the fall. These meetings will have a hybrid ZOOM format so as to include our winter visitors not yet back in the valley, plus so many of our great members who have moved to distant environs. Thank you, Russ, for making this possible!

Our **summer meetings** will be held hosted by Linda Wade via ZOOM. Please join us for some great discussions and for sharing with us all of your wonderful creations. Our meetings will be held the same day of the month, the second Wednesday but, with the new time of 1:00pm. Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 9 at 1:00pm.**

Please have an amazing fiber filled summer!

Lee

Library

The guild library will be open from 5:00 - 6:00 on our regular meeting night, March 10, 2021. You can check out books or videos or return the ones you've had for months. Or you can return books to Winnie's house (4302 E Carmel, Mesa) and she will return them to the library. If you'd like to check out something, but can't be there at that time, call Winnie to make arrangements. (763-370-6305).

Treasurer's Report/Membership

The treasury balance as of May 26, 2021 is \$10,485.63

It's Membership Renewal Time...

It is time to renew your membership!

Membership runs from June 1 to May 31 each year. The membership form is on our website - www.telarana.org with all the information you need to renew. Please renew as soon as possible.

Board Meeting Minutes

Telarana Board Meeting Minutes May 26th, 2021 via Zoom started 7:01 pm AZ time

Attendees: Russ Johnson, Linda Wade, Lee Killpack, Winnie Johnson, Betz Frederick, Phil Leonard, Nancy Ryan, Maureen McCarthy, Cindy Reynolds, Nancy Wanek, Jo Librizzi, Carol Gordon, Marcia Matthieu

Secretary's Report: It was moved by Linda Wade and seconded by Lee Killpack to accept the April minutes. Voted and approved.

Treasurers Report: Balance of \$12,046.68 There is a form on the Telarana website to send in with dues.

Old Business:

Inspiration Challenge - Maureen McCarthy will continue to pursue gallery or other exhibition venues for the incredible entries from our Guild members. The Inspiration Challenge pieces will be at the September in-person meeting.

Meeting Times Survey – Linda Wade reported on the results from the survey that was sent out to all the members. A majority of members responded to the detailed survey and shared their thoughts and ideas.

New Business:

It was moved by Nancy Ryan and seconded by Lee Killpack that the regular Telarana meetings be changed to 1 pm on the second Wednesday of the month with the meetings becoming hybrid in-person plus Zoom meetings. There were 11 Yes votes, 1 opposed and 1 abstained. The motion passed.

Betz Frederick moved that Russ Johnson purchase a headset, microphone and speaker to facilitate the Zoom portion of the meetings. He has approval to spend up to \$200 for quality equipment. Nancy Ryan seconded and the motion carried. It will also help the in-person meeting speakers to be heard.

Face Book page- It was discussed and determined to make the Telarana Facebook page private to protect our members' privacy. Linda Wade will monitor the page.

Summer Meetings- Summer Meetings will be Zoom meetings for socializing and sharing. Email links will be sent out to members.

Committee Reports:

Programs- Lee Killpack reported that the expenses were \$850 with Zoom/in-person presentations working well.

Exhibitions/Shows- Cindy Reynolds reported no MAC Fest in 2021, so watch for sales opportunities!

Demonstrations- Nancy Wanek reported that the April 2021 Mesa Historical Museum event went well.

Ways & Means- Winnie Johnson reported that the Penny Wakefield Estate Donation brought in \$3,000 + profit for the Guild. The sales proceeds helped the Guild stay on budget during this challenging time.

Library – Karen Kehlenbach- Some new items were added to the Guild Library from Penny's Estate and members were able to check out library materials during the year.

Newsletter- Marcia Matthieu and Phil Leonard (new newsletter person) will work on the June newsletter together.

Web - Linda Wade reported that website posting changed this year, the domain was renewed until January 2025, future annual expenses will be less, and the Google Account for Telarana includes Google drive and an increased capacity for virtual workshops, plus use of Google surveys.

Federation – Paula Rudnick, our representative, would like to see the Federation help the guilds more.

Historian – Russ Johnson is putting photos out on the Google drive and was the Zoomkeeper for all the virtual meetings and workshops all year.

Scholarship - Betz Frederick reported that no one applied for the Karen Zorn Scholarship. Application Forms are on the Telarana website.

Workshops – Betz Frederick reported that there was a \$728 profit because the virtual workshops let more members attend. There are 6 workshops planned for 2021-2022.

Motion to adjourn by Linda Wade, seconded by Betz Frederick. Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm AZ time.

Respectfully submitted, Jo Librizzi

Upcoming Programs

September General Meeting September 8, 2021
Hybrid Meeting Live/Zoom

This will be a hybrid meeting with a Live/Zoom Program. There is no presenter planned for the September meeting. YOU are the presenters. Since this is the first time we will be able to meet face-to-face in over a year, I am sure there will be plenty of meeting and greeting and catching up. We want to hear about what you have been doing - online classes, fiber projects, fiber challenges, etc. Please bring your show and tell. We anticipate a lively meeting with lots of great projects to share.

Inspiration Challenge

Inspiration Challenge: Twenty guild members are currently signed up for the Challenge and it remains open to all guild members. The May meeting gave members a chance to showcase their work and discuss how their source of inspiration translated into a completed project. In September, we will see the pieces submitted IN PERSON! So there is still time to get your work in to the Challenge for all to see. We have so much talent in this Guild - don't be shy, we'd love to see your creation! We plan to explore venues around the Valley to identify a space for an Inspiration Challenge show in 2022.

Workshops

We have an exciting line-up of workshops for the 2021-2022 guild year. More details will be provided in the September Newsletter. Other workshops may be added if the opportunity arises.

Unlocking the Magic of Blended Drafts with Barbara Diefenderfer October 16 Virtual 2-3 hours

In this hands-on lecture, the students will learn how to integrate two or more weave structures or pattern drafts creating a blended threading, tie-up and treadling. Using this one threading you can weave either of the parent drafts or an original combination from the new draft all on one threading, opening the door to new weaving adventures.

Weaving in a Parallel Universe with Linda Hartshorn November 11, 13, 16 Virtual

Explore a parallel universe of possibilities in weaving! Parallel threadings are incredibly versatile and can be used to weave a variety of structures including echo weave twills and jin (polychrome turned taquete) for 8 shafts or more.

Solve the Mystery of Fit! with Daryl Lancaster 12 Virtual 2-2/12 hours

Do you know the difference between design ease and wearing ease or semi-fitted and very loose fitting garments? Did you know that commercial pattern companies and ready-to-wear designers don't use the same industry standard measurements? The mystery behind fitting and altering patterns is unfolded right before your eyes!

Make Your Own Wearable Art Jacket with Suzi Click February 19 & 20 in person

In this workshop you will make a jacket from one of 7 different patterns from your favorite ethnic or other special textiles using Suzi Click's method of coordinating textiles and trims by theme, pattern or color with materials provided by her.

Intro to Card Weaving with Winnie Johnson March 19 in person

Students will learn a bit of the history and uses of card weaving. They will learn to set up and thread the cards for weaving, as well as ways of tensioning, weaving, drafting and reading patterns. The instructor will provide cards, yarns and shuttles at cost, but students are welcome to bring their own.

Demonstration Opportunity and Event

The Board has gotten word that there will be no MAC Festival this coming December. We are looking for an alternative and hope to have updates in the fall. If you know of an event that we might join, please let Nancy Wanek know.

Sales



Unlabeled 40" jack loom ((perhaps a Kessenich)
4 harnesses, 6 treadles
\$400 or BO

Other Workshops

As things continue to open up, other Guilds and organizations are likely to start promoting workshops again. Stay tuned to this space for new information.....

Show and Share Guideline

"Show us your stuff!" Send your pictures to Russ Johnson and he will include them in a PowerPoint presentation. Include a short paragraph describing the article or the techniques used in the process of making it. When Show&Share starts each participant will have the opportunity to fully describe their item. Send the pictures a day or two before the meeting if possible, but I usually can add them to the PowerPoint presentation the day of the meeting. The pictures will be automatically added to the Telaraña web page and next month's newsletter.

Don't Forget:

We'd love to show off any fiber works you are continuing to create on the Telaraña website. **Send your photos to Linda Wade** webmaster@telarana.org

Events

Violet Protest Opening at Phoenix Art Museum

March 10- September 5, 2021

Last month Mayor Kate Gallego of the City of Phoenix extended a proclamation making April 13, 2021 - Violet Protest Day. But what was important is that she SEE the Violet Protest - which she did!

We are at 2,011 makers, from ALL 50 STATES, DC and Canada!!

We have enough sign ups for squares to send 28 to each member of Congress - at 15,212 for total committed squares. At our average of 4.41 hrs per square, this represents 67,085 hours of Violet Protest labor!!

Don't forget: there is still time to participate in this project with squares. More information at <http://www.violetprotest.com>

Shopping? Don't forget us

If you shop at **Halcyon Yarn, Amazon, or The Woolery**, remember these retailers offer cash-back on sales to the Guild. The percentages look small, but they do add up.

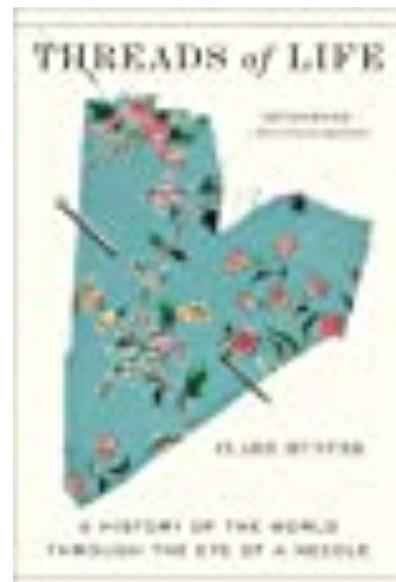
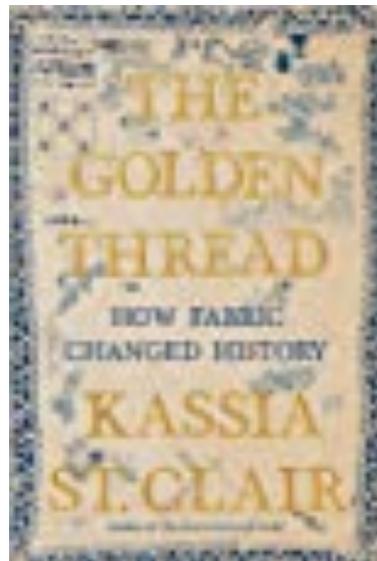
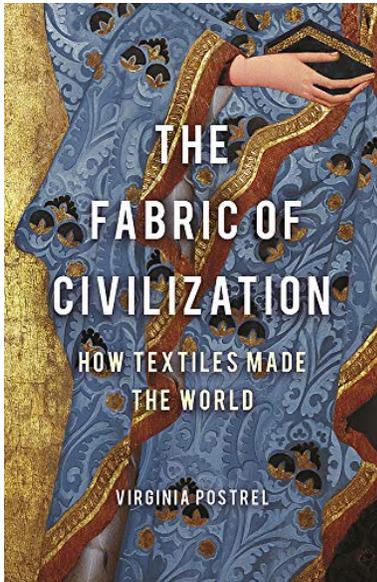
Amazon Smile Program: <https://smile.amazon.com/>, sign in just as you do on the normal Amazon site. Select Telaraña Weavers & Spinners Guild as your designated non-profit. We will receive 0.5% of the amount of your sale. No extra cost to you – just benefit to our Guild!

The Woolery - <https://woolery.com?aff=97>

Halcyon Yarn – If you order over the phone, mention our Guild. Online, there is a comment box on the checkout page where you enter credit card info. Select our Guild from the link, to benefit our account!

The Summer Bookshelf
Final Thoughts...

If you've got time on your hands this summer, I have a few books to recommend for your reading pleasure, all about Fiber and it's contributions to the world we live in. All are available from Amazon and major booksellers, both in print and online.



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