



Telaraña Tidings

Newsletter of the Telaraña Weavers and Spinners Guild

DECEMBER 2024

December Guild Meeting

Wednesday, December 11, 12:30pm

EAST MESA CHRISTIAN CHURCH 706 S Greenfield Rd

Hospitality: Potluck! Bring your favorite dish.



President's Message

Dear Telarañians,

Jingle bells, Christmas carols, pretty papers, trees to be decorated It must be December! Christmas is in the air!! Despite the fact that I have lived in Arizona over 30 years, I still find it hard to reconcile when the sun is shining and it is 80 degrees!! Are you frantically finishing all those handmade presents? I work in a quilt shop and you wouldn't believe the number of ladies purchasing fabric to finish those Christmas quilts.

I hope you will take some time from your busy schedule to join us for our guild Holiday potluck on December 11. **Bring your favorite dish to share.** Also bring your plus-one! Since we don't want all that hot food to cool, **we will start eating at 12:30.**

Also remember our Annual sale on Dec 14. The forms and information are on the website. This is a great opportunity to make some money for yourself as well as the guild.

See you are the 11th!

Happy holidays,

Nancy

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Pot luck details: Don't forget this meeting will be our annual Holiday potluck. Please bring your favorite holiday dish to share. Guild will provide drinks, plates, utensils. Remember to bring serving utensils and label your dishes with your name and the ingredients.

Set up starts at noon; **dinner to start at 12:30 pm. Guests and family members are welcome to join us. Happy Holidays.**

IN AND AROUND TOWN

PUEBLO GRANDE INDIAN MARKET Dec. 14th, Phoenix

Chandler Vision Gallery Art Quilts through January 8th

Mesa Arts Center Museum has 4 exhibits on Fiber Art! Closed Mondays.

Downtown Mesa will be buzzing with activity with the return of Mesa's celebration of **Mesa Arts & Crafts Festival (MACFest)**. **MACFest** is a free event featuring unique artist creations, music and fun for the whole family. **1st and 3rd Saturdays each month**, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Location: on North Macdonald St., between Main St. and Pepper Pl., with this one-block section closed to vehicle traffic.

For more information visit www.MACFestMesa.com.

Telarana's Annual Sale – December 14

By the time you read this, our sale will be just less than 2 weeks ago. All of the information you need to participate is on our website – telarana.org. Invite your friends through any social media you have or do it the old fashion way of calling them! Unfortunately, Mesa is doing major road work in front of the church where we have our sale – 706 S. Greenfield Rd., Mesa, AZ so be forewarned. Contact Cindy Reynolds with any questions.

Guild Sale

Annual Guild Sale – December 14, 2024

Each year we offer an opportunity to guild members to sell some of their wonderful creations. And we use this time to educate the public to our love of the fiber arts. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Reynolds. The sale will again be at the East Christian Mesa Church where we hold our general meetings. We turn their fellowship from into a lovely boutique complete with demonstrations of different fiber arts by our members.

[Guild Sale Guidelines](#)

[2024 Guild Sale Participant Instructions](#)

This is a .docx file; you can type in your info, but be careful of formatting issues:

[2024 Inventory and Artist Agreement fillable](#)

This is a .pdf file; formatting is stable, but you will need to write in info:

[2024 Inventory and Artist Agreement](#)

Fiber Eye Candy!!!

The FiberArtsCenterAZ.org has just posted a wonderful display of fiber art by its founding members. Quilters, weavers, felters and more will be amazed at the work of these artists. When you get to the website, click on Events, choose Best of FAC, and then scroll down to see your options. If you click on a piece, you can find out about the artist and the price of the item. The display is on the website until January 31, 2025. Enjoy! Several of our Telarana members have joined as Founding Members of Fiber Arts Center. The special founding membership drive is through December 31 where you can join for \$50.

FAC has first art show

Visit the online show and vote for your favorite!

The inaugural art exhibition for the new Fiber Arts Center AZ (FAC), opens **Dec. 1 through Jan. 31, 2025** on the nonprofit's website at FiberArtsCenterAZ.org.

There were 62 pieces submitted representing different types of fiber art for the "Best of FAC Founding Members' Showcase," reflecting the expertise and creativity of the FAC's members. Shelly White, a fiber/mixed-media artist using hand-dyed and printed textiles, juried the show and will present 11 awards including first, second, third, honorable mentions, best use of complementary colors, best timely message, best wearables plus others at a virtual art reception from **4-6 p.m., Fri., Dec. 6 on Zoom**. Members and prospective members are invited to attend by emailing FiberArtsCenterAZ@gmail.com for the link.

Those seeing the virtual show may also vote for a Viewer's Choice award which will be awarded at the close of the show.

"We are thrilled to show off our fabulous members' work," says Laurie Fagen, vice president of the organization who oversaw this exhibition. "We want to educate collectors and the public about the way fiber of all kinds can be used in fine art."

Most pieces are available for purchase, and shipping arrangements will be made separately by the artist and the buyer.

The organization's mission statement says, "A fine arts organization promoting fiber arts and serving the community through education, exhibitions and honoring cultural heritages." The goal of the 501(c)(3) is to have art center specifically dedicated to fiber arts with classrooms, an exhibition gallery, a dyeing studio, and a gift shop.

A Founding Member campaign is underway until the end of the year where members can join for \$50 to help the organization grow. The FAC already has nearly 50 members from the United States and Canada.

The FAC is on the web at www.FiberArtsCenterAZ.org and is on Facebook at Fiber Arts Center AZ and Instagram at [fiberartscenteraz](https://www.instagram.com/fiberartscenteraz). For more information, email FiberArtsCenterAZ@gmail.com



Rug by Annie Stone



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Joanne Begay

Seasons
Greetings

The text "Seasons Greetings" is written in a vibrant red, cursive font. The word "Seasons" is on the top line, and "Greetings" is on the bottom line. The text is surrounded by several decorative elements: a pink star at the top left, a blue star at the middle left, a white snowflake at the top center, a green star at the top right, a black star at the top right, a yellow star at the middle right, and a blue star at the bottom right.