



Telaraña Tidings

Newsletter of the Telaraña Fiber Arts Guild

May 2026

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2025-2026 Executive Committee/ Chairs

Executive Committee:

President, Ruth Hallows
Vice President, Sandi Shoup
Treasurer, Linda Wade
Secretary, Carol Gordon
Past President, Nancy Ryan

Committee Chairs:

Demonstrations, unfilled
Exhibits and Shows, unfilled
Federation, Paula Rudnick
Historian, Russ Johnson
Hospitality, Judy Sirkis
Library, Karen Hartshorn/Barb Nelson
Membership, Deb Barr
Newsletter, Lavender Boyles
Programs, Nancy Ryan
Publicity, unfilled
Ways and Means, Winnie Johnson
Website, Sandi Shoup
Workshops, Jean Lavell

May Guild Meeting

Wednesday, May 13 at 1 p.m. Arizona time.

Live meeting

Doors will open at 12 noon for socializing; the meeting will begin at 1 p.m. Arizona time.

Live Meeting Location: East Mesa Christian Church, 706 S. Greenfield Road, Mesa, 85206 (Southern/Broadway).

PROGRAM:

Potluck! Bring a dish to share.
Bring your Show and tell projects! Let's get together one last time before the summer break!



President's Message

Wayi 'neet, well met, fiber art friends,

As the days grow longer and the heat of summer settles in, it's time for our guild to take a seasonal pause. Before we do, I want to thank each of you for the creativity, generosity, and community you've brought to every gathering this year. From shared techniques to stories told over stitches, this group is more than a guild—it's a circle of inspiration and support.

May your summer be filled with light, rest, and perhaps a few quiet moments with your favorite fibers in hand. Whether you're traveling, experimenting with new ideas, or simply taking a well-earned break, I hope the season refreshes your spirit.

We'll look forward to reconvening in September with renewed energy, new projects, and plenty of stories to share. Until then, take care and keep creating in whatever way brings you joy.

Ksm Lx'sgan,

Ruth Hallows

Arizona Fiber Fest



A big thank you to Lee and Winnie for the great job they did on the bags for the AZ Fiber Arts Festival at Camp Verde. The bags were a big success. Job well done.

Also the Federation is looking for ideas for workshops at future festivals so please give me any thoughts that anyone has for contacts, as the federation hopes to start to plan far ahead for the next festival.

Also any ideas for vendors for the festival would also be appreciated as people wanted more vendors and we need contacts and ideas for vendors.



*Please be sure to bring a
refillable drink container to the
meeting.*

Don't let anyone talk you out of spending \$15 on a new hobby. That \$50 will be the best \$400 you ever spent.

Membership Report

April meeting had 24 total attendees with 3 of them being guests.

Annual membership dues for Telarana Guild starts May 31st. Current members will be listed in the upcoming year's roster. If there are changes to your contact information you can access the membership form through our website, under membership. The address to mail in your dues is listed on the membership form. Dues may also be paid in person at a meeting by credit card, cash, check or Zelle and given to Linda Wade, treasurer or Deb Barr, membership chair. Thank you and I hope all joins us in the upcoming season.

Election results!

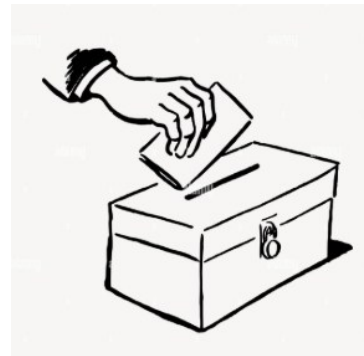
Our Executive Committee for 2026-2027 was unanimously elected on April 8, 2026:

President – Ruth Hallows

Vice President – Lavender Boyles

Secretary – Carol Gordon

Treasurer – Linda Wade



In addition to our elected officers, we welcome new chairpersons to many committee positions:

Katie Cleary-Jones – Historian

Doe Daughtrey – Library

Lillian Hillis – Newsletter

Trudy Johnson – Publicity

Sara Jenkins – Webmaster

Cindy Tetzlaff – Hospitality

Winnie Johnson/Lee Killpack – Exhibits and Shows

We thank the outgoing board members for their service to the Guild and appreciate the members that are staying in their position for another year.

We are still trying to fill the positions of Demonstrations, Programs & Workshops. As you can imagine, these are important to the vibrancy of our Guild. We have collected information and suggestions for future programs and workshops, but need someone to take the helm. If you think you might be interested and would like more information, please contact [Linda Wade](#).

Navajo Weaving Study Group

Every 2nd Saturday the Navajo Weaving Study group meets at Mesa Community College, Dobson Campus —9 a.m.—12 Noon in SC30, near the Campus Police Station. Everyone interested in Navajo Weaving welcome to attend. It's a good time to make some progress on current projects or see what others are working on.

Next meet up: May 9



Ruins, Relics and Rituals Exhibit

 through May 27 at Olney Gallery, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 100 W Roosevelt St. Open Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.—4 p.m.

Juror Heide Dauphin, a mixed media/ceramic artist and Exhibition Coordinator at the Shemer Gallery, has selected pieces from artists that “delve deeply into the intricate realms of history, memory, symbolism, and cultural practices.”

Congratulations to our members Ruth Hallows, Gina Saettone, and Debra Kay for their pieces in the show. More pictures on our [website](#).



Telarana Board Minutes April 29, 2026



Attendees: Ruth Hallows, Linda Wade, Carol Gordon, Deb Barr, Barbara Nelson, Judith Sirkis, Paula Rudnick

Meeting called to order at 5:16 PM

Secretary's Report : Members reviewed the March 25, 2026 corrected minutes emailed to them for approval. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Linda reported total income to date \$4,334.00 and expenses \$3,912.39. Our bank balance is \$2,062.11 and CD as of 4/15/26 is \$12,000. Carol moved, Barb seconded, approved.

Old Business: Winnie was not in attendance, but is working on Board member badges.

New Business: Linda will publish election results in the newsletter. This is for members, as well as, a bank requirement. We are excited to have some new people filling some of our committee chairs.

Committee Reports:

Programs – New chairperson needed

Federation – Paula said the April Fiber Arts Festival was fun! Special thanks to Winnie and Lee for their organization of gift bags and manning the guild booth. Paula is eager for any feedback or suggestions for the next festival. Some suggested more vendors.

Historian – No report

Hospitality – May 13 is a pot luck lunch and the last meeting until the fall.

Library – Thanks you Barbara for updating all the library materials to the guild website.

Publicity – No report

Membership – Deb will send out a group email to remind members that annual dues are due.

Ways and Means – The committee did very well and raised \$2652 this year.

Website – Sarah Jenkins will be taking over website maintenance. Thank you Sarah.

Workshops – Chairperson needed

Newsletter – Newsletter items are due by May 3

Exhibitions – Winnie and Lee have volunteered to research and provide exhibition opportunities for the guild. The Fiber Arts Center AZ has the Ruins, Relics and Rituals exhibition opening May 1 at the Olney Galley.

Demonstrations – Chairperson needed

Ruth reported that the demonstrations at the March 14 S'edav Va'aki Museum was good fun. Thanks to those who helped and participated.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Gordon, Secretary