

Connecting Threads

Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley October, 2026

October Program: Supplementary Warp

Supplementary warp, or supplemental warp, is a technique that opens a world of fabulous design possibilities. It allows the weaver to plan complex patterns that can be woven with 8 or fewer shafts and with only one shuttle. It allows for various tensions within the same warp, allowing some very interesting effects. Once weavers allow themselves to think differently about warp tension, the design possibilities are limitless. Many designs that LOOK complex are explained and turned weaves can be explored.

Supplementary Warp is the topic of the January Intensive, so this presentation by Mary Berent will be a great way to get started studying for the Intensive.

♦ Lisa Baker & Pat Dayton, Vice Presidents



Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting:

October 3, 2026 ~ 11:30 a.m.
At the Boise First Congregational Church of Christ,
2201 Woodlawn, Boise, in the Banquet Room
Next meeting - November 7, 2026

Program ~ Supplementary Warp by Mary Berent

Study Groups:

October 8, 2026 ~ Beginning Weaving Study Group
6:00 p.m. ~ At the home of Sherry Bittner
October 11, 2026 ~ Rigid Heddle Study Group
2:00-4:00 pm. ~ U of I Classroom, 1902 Chicago
Ave., Caldwell
October 13, 2026 ~ Lace Study Group
10:00 a.m. ~ At the home of Raelene Viste
October 14, 2026 ~ Spinning Study Group
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. ~ (Wednesday) At Rubaiyat
Bookstore, 314 S 6th Ave, in Caldwell

October 15, 2026 ~ Tapestry Study Group

10:30 a.m. at the home of Mary Donato

October 20, 2026 ~ Day Weaving Study Group

10:30 a.m. at the home of Julie Gerrard, Eagle

No October Meeting ~ Paper Study Group

due to Color-And-Weave Workshop

Every Thursday ~ Thursday Fiber Friends Zoom

2:00 p.m. ~ Meets on Zoom

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### Workshops:

**Color-And-Weave: A Design Technique**, by Rebecca Winter. October 16, 17, & 18, 2026, at the Fairview Terrace Community Center, Meridian, ID.

To find Member Contact Information, log in to your [groups.io](https://groups.io) account and look in "Files" for the Membership Directory.

The link to the BoiseGuildGroup is [HERE](#).

## Membership

Registration for guild membership is open for the 2026-27 guild year. To stay current and connected, renew as soon as possible. Membership remains \$35. Digital payment, check, or cash are all accepted. Register online at <https://www.handweavers-guild-boise.org/shop>, by mail, or in-person at the guild meetings. Digital payments add a small processing fee (\$2). Mail-in forms may have a delay in processing, as the mail is picked up monthly. (OPTIONAL ~ If you request paper-mailed newsletters, the additional fee for that service has increased to \$35.)

♦ Cindy Griewe, Membership Chair

## Sample Exchange

There's no sample for this month and I'd like to encourage people to sign up and share their skills, possibly new ones, with the members.

♦♦ Jeannie Phillips, Sample Box Chair

## President's Letter

Welcome Fall! Sweaters, hats, long pants, shoes instead of sandals. All the warm, cozy things that I haven't worn in five months now are beckoning to me as I get dressed in the morning. I love this change in the seasons, and I love to rediscover my favorite fall clothes.

And speaking of dressing, what to put on my loom(s)? Now is the time that I like to plan my handwoven holiday gifts! So many possibilities. So many fanciful ideas! Which ones will become fully formed finished projects, and which ones will remain just delightful thoughts? Once again, I am focusing on functional, comforting fabrics to wrap my family in love.

I have also been thinking about you as part of my weaving guild family. This year's President's Challenge, called HOLD ON, is designed to help us all hold each other, metaphorically at least! For this challenge, I challenge you, as a member of our guild, to learn more about a fellow guild member while you make a thing that can hold something for your fellow guild member. Think of a handmade vessel to hold something. This vessel could be a bag, a purse, a bowl, a basket. It can be functional or decorative.

This year I challenge you to secretly make a vessel for a guild mate and then present that vessel to the guild member at the December meeting. You will randomly select your special recipient's name at the October meeting; you will have two months to create your vessel for your special person.

To participate, you will need to fill out the form either at the meeting in October or online. Thank you to those who have already filled out your forms! I will bring them to the meeting! [Click here](#) to see more about the challenge on our website, and to fill out the form **before October 2nd**. On that form you will find questions about yourself. All these questions are intended to be low stress and fun. If there are any questions that you do not like, or that make you uncomfortable, please feel free to ignore them. This is intended to be fun. And the challenge for the recipient of your entry form is to use the information on the form to create a vessel specially for you. Please join the fun! Fill out your entry form and make a commitment to be at the December guild meeting to receive your gift and share what you made with your special someone.

Speaking of the October meeting, I look forward to seeing you all there! This month, Mary Berent will be doing a program about Supplementary Warps. She will have wonderful samples to look at and lots of information about this weaving topic. Come and be inspired to learn more about Supplementary Warps. It is the topic for this year's Guild Intensive in January. Start or continue your learning journey for this year!

See you on October 3rd!

♦♦ Katzy Luhring, President

## 2027 Intensive: Supplementary Warps

It's never too early to start thinking about the Intensive January 16-18, 2027. Next year's topic, Supplementary Warps, covers a wide variety of projects that can be done. Two great books on the subject are *Supplementary Warp Patterning* by Barbara J. Walker and *Easy Weaving with Supplemental Warps* by Deb Essen. This is a self-guided study group, so start planning your project soon. And don't miss Mary Berent's presentation at the October meeting! More information and registration will be available at the October meeting.

♦♦ Robin Conrads, Intensive Committee Chair

## Demonstration Events

Our upcoming end of September event is at the Schick-Ostolasa Farmstead in Hidden Springs on September 27th from 12-5. If you'd like to demonstrate with us please let Janet Stanger know so she can get your name on the list. The event provides lunch for us and usually water but do feel free to bring your own if you desire.

♦♦ Janet Stanger, Outreach Chair





## Museum After Dark: Whiskey and Wagons

The Historical Society of Idaho has invited the guild and a few demonstrators to this event. This is our first event with them and hopefully there will be more to come.

*Hop on in – we're headed west at Museum After Dark: Whiskey & Wagons on October 2 from 6:30–9 PM! Step into the world of the Oregon Trail for an evening filled with pioneer games, trail challenges, whiskey tastings, live music, and hands-on activities.*

*Try your hand at butter churning, yarn spinning with the Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley, blacksmithing with Harry Black, and cider making with Lindemann Gardens. Then explore Pioneer Village and check out the Snake River Stampede stagecoach and whiskey wagon.*

*Sample whiskey from Koenig Distillery and the Snake River Stampede while enjoying live music from local band RUDY from 8–8:45 PM. Roam the Museum galleries and Pioneer Village after dark and discover the spirit of those who traveled west. This event is 21+. Your ticket includes one drink ticket.*



## Study Groups:

### Lace Study Group

The lace study group will be meeting on October 13th at 10:00, at my home.

❖ Raelene Viste, Study Group Chair

### Spinning Study Group

Spinning Study Group is meeting at our favorite bookstore, The Rubaiyat, from 11-2 on October 14, 2026. I am considering trying again with the Sunday Spinning study group the 2nd Sunday of each month. Are you interested?

❖ Jeannie Phillips, Study Group Chair

### Beginning Weaving Study Group

The next beginners weaving meeting will be Thursday October 8th at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at Sherry Bittner's studio. The address is 2756 S Cloverdale Rd, Boise, ID 83709. My number is 858 752 7209 if you need further directions. The topic we will be discussing is turned taqueté. Bring questions ideas and projects for show and tell.

November is record keeping (recap) • December is Structures with a purpose • January is putting on the loom • February is taking off the loom

❖ Sherry Bittner, the Very Happy Beginning Study Group Chair

### Rigid Heddle Study Group

Sunday, October 11, 2026 from 2pm - 4pm at the U of I Classroom, 1902 E Chicago St, Caldwell  
Topics: Cyn Brandt will share what she knows about krokbragd (including how to pronounce it). Folks might want to use this technique in their mug rugs for December. Reminder ~1 week prior to meeting will include Zoom info. If you want to be included in the study group emails, please contact me.

❖ Jinks Hunter, Study Group Chair



## Day Weaving Study Group

The Day Weaving group will be meeting October 20 at Julie Gerrard's home in Eagle. Julie has moved from Boise to Eagle so check the address with the Membership list to be sure you have the correct location. We meet 10:30-1:30ish. All Guild members are welcome.

◆ Greta Ankeny, Study Group Chair

## Tapestry Study Group

A small but enthusiastic group had a fun meeting at the Melba Valley Historical Society's cool old building in Melba on Sept. 17. We heard about the 4-day Navajo weaving workshop, led by Lynda Teller Pete, that Linda Morton-Keithley and Irma Atkinson attended in New Mexico in May and admired the amazing colorful weavings they made. We pored over some lovely books about Navajo weaving and weavers, and looked at photos of weavings and rugs they saw during their trip, including some beauties in the Rio Grande tradition. We had a good time talking about yarn stashes, dream workshops, and all kinds of fiber-y madness (churro, anyone?).

The tapestry study group's next meeting will be on Thursday, October 15 at Mary Donato's house in Boise at 10:30am. Because the days are getting shorter again we will return to daytime meetings for the fall and winter. Here's a reminder that this study group has an email list of its own, and although 99% of group messages go out to the entire guild, if you also sign up to receive messages from [tapestrystudy@boiseguild.groups.io](mailto:tapestrystudy@boiseguild.groups.io) you won't miss out on anything!

◆ Mary Donato, Study Group Chair

## Paper Study Group

We will not be meeting in October, due to the Color-and-Weave workshop, which is being held the weekend of our usual meeting time.

For November, we have a great project planned, and we invite others in the Guild to join us. All are welcome. I will be teaching the Coptic stitch binding method for making books. We will do the stitching during study group time, and you will need to bring your signatures and cover material, which you have prepared ahead of time. Take a look at the photo. Resting inside the box you can see several books ready to be stitched. These are all covered with handwoven cloth. However, yours does not need to be that elaborate. Heavy cardboard, such as that found as backing on art papers, is a good option for covers. Nice printer paper works well for the signatures, or gather your materials from the recycle bin.

If you would like to join us, I can help you prepare by giving you a quick lesson over the phone or whatever is needed. Plus, there are lots of videos out there about preparing signatures and book covers.

This project is for the November meeting, which will be on the 15th. Look for more information in the next Newsletter. And holler if you have questions.

◆ Rebecca Winter, Study Group Chair

## Thursday Fiber Friends

We are an informal group who meet at 2 pm every Thursday via Zoom. We work on our projects, help each other with project questions and chat about whatever comes up. Feel free to stay the whole time (and make some progress on that project) or just pop in for a bit of time for a quick catch up when busy with other stuff. We're very flexible - please feel welcome to join us.

◆ Jinks Hunter, Study Group Chair





# Color-and-Weave: A Design Technique

by Rebecca Winter

a Workshop offered by the Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley

Rebecca describes the workshop as follows:

"Color-and-weave ... occurs when there is a combining of two elements of weaving. These two elements are the weave structure and the use of two contrasting yarns as stripes in both the warp and the weft. A visual patterning is created that is seemingly unrelated to the weave structure or the use of color."

Winter, Rebecca. *The Enigma of Shadow Weave Illuminated*.  
Atglen, PA., Schiffer Publishing Co., Inc., 2022.

Does this definition intrigue and excite you? I have to admit, it always has for me.

Is it possible to weave Color-and-Weave on any loom? Absolutely!!

This workshop is a round robin style exploration. Participants will receive drafts before the workshop, and will arrive with their loom warped and ready to weave. Each participant will weave on the looms of others, for a full learning opportunity, involving many color-and-weave drafts. Each loom will have a different draft. In round robin workshops, participants provide the yarn for their warp and enough yarn for each of the other participants to weave on their loom.

This 3-day workshop is primarily for rigid heddle or shaft looms. The Weaving Drafts will be for 2, 4, 6, or 8 "shafts" and participants will need looms with these configurations to match their assigned draft. Participants will be given all the drafts in a multiple page binder filled with colorful handouts.

Through this process, as described, participants will leave the workshop with an understanding of how to weave color-and-weave drafts, how it creates the third thing, and how to create their own unique color-and-weave drafts."



## Workshop details:

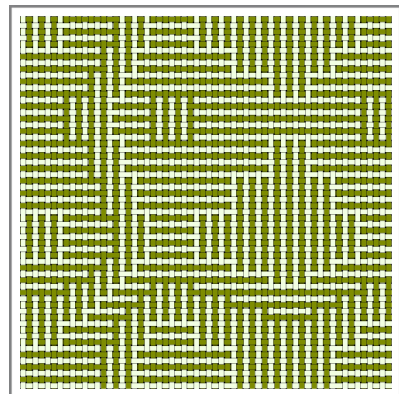
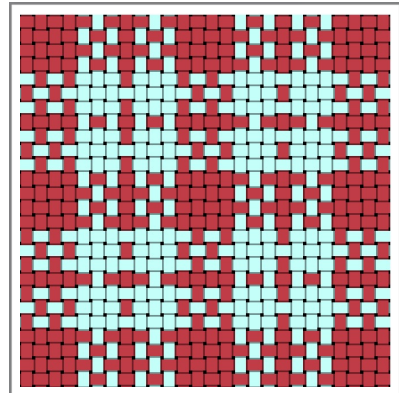
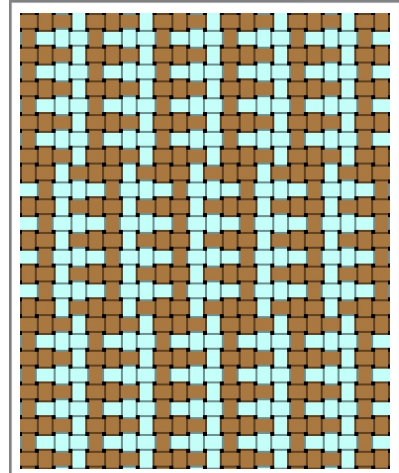
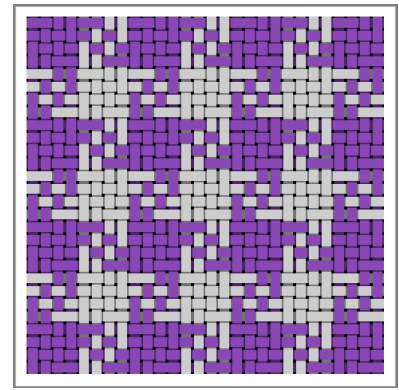
When: October 16, 17, 18, 2026 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday)

Where: Fairview Terrace Community Center

700 E Fairview Ave, Meridian, ID

Price: \$150.00, with a materials fee of \$20.00 to be paid directly to Rebecca at the workshop.

Workshops are a great way to treat yourself to three full days of weaving and to get to know your fellow guild members. You can also pick up tips and tricks for weaving, loom use, and material (yarn) considerations. All this information and great camaraderie is a steal at any price and the Guild works to keep the cost as low as possible.



## Board Meeting Minutes ~ August 26, 2026



- Members present: President – Katzy Luhring, Vice President – Lisa Baker, Vice President – Pat Dayton, Treasurer – Kelly Sandusky, Secretary – Dyan Lay, Membership Officer – Cindy Griewe, Past President – Mary Berent, Historian & Name Tag Project Co-Chair – Rebecca Winter, ANWG Representative – Connie Griffin
- President
  - The Zoom meeting was called to order at 7PM.
  - Katzy welcomed everyone to speak about a fiber-related trip this summer.
  - President's Challenge: Hold On
    - Discussion was held, and Katzy will introduce at the August regular meeting.
    - Names chosen at October meeting with finished products at December meeting.
- Vice Presidents
  - Lisa
    - Programs are set for August, October, November and December regular meetings.
    - Lisa provided a Color and Weave update on participation; Pat will call on two sign-ups that have failed to respond.
    - Lisa reached out to three speakers for 2027 workshops; the Board discussed timing and workshop schedules.
    - The VPs are planning presenters for the January mini workshops.
- Treasurer
  - Kelly provided a breakdown of current year and projected annual costs.
  - An exploratory committee will investigate meeting location options; most important is that the Guild library and meeting space are at the same site.
    - Katzy will ask for volunteers at the August regular meeting.
  - Kelly gave a rundown of annual payments such as Zoom license, ANWG dues, IRS filing, etc.
- Membership
  - Cindy's paid membership count stands at 76 as of August 26, 2026; she ready with extra membership forms for the August regular meeting.
- Secretary
  - Nothing to report.
- ANWG Updates
  - Name Tag Project
    - Rebecca updated the Board on summer activities on the project.
    - Weaving will be completed by the November deadline.
    - Assembly begins after November.
    - The November regular meeting program will be the reveal of the completed fabric rolls.
    - Project is on budget with monies provided by ANWG and the Complex Weavers Guild.
  - 2027 Conference
    - Connie updated the Board on ANWG activities: change in quorum number, study group resources, registration details and grants.
    - Rebecca and Jenni Jimmerson participate in conference meetings and will share knowledge with Connie and Board.

The next Board meeting is November 7, 2026.

The meeting adjourned at 10:44AM.

❖ Respectfully submitted by Dyan Lay, Secretary



## Regular Meeting Minutes ~ August 29, 2026

Call To Order at 11:36AM

- Present were 41 attendees: Katzy Luhring, Dyan Lay, Cindy Griewe, Kelly Sandusky, Lisa Baker, Pat Dayton, Rebecca Winter, Connie Griffin, Robin Conrads, Tom Thompson, Julie Gerrard, Mary Berent, Hanna Meinikheim, Vila Cox, Janet Stanger, Kathy Hutchinson, Cornelia Shotwell, Linda Morton-Keithley, Stephanie Eddy, Mary Donato, Susan Inouye, Jean Zaske, Raelene Viste, Nancy Alzola, Missy Burk, Claudia Hoskin, Katé Holestine, Valerie Garza, Amalia Garza, Benjamin Garza, Tessa Stone, Karla Herre, Ethan Holden, Tracey Stringer, Jamie Landry, Suzanne Price, Victoria Julian-Gray, Mitzi Meyers, Beverly Lambert, Morgaine O'Herne, and Chelsea Grigsby.

### Business

- President – Katzy Luhring
  - Katzy welcomed everyone, and asked members to introduce themselves by name and if they prefer matched or unmatched socks.
  - President's Challenge
    - Make a vessel of any fiber and bring completed vessel to the December regular meeting.
    - Participation form on website; sign up before or at the October regular meeting.
  - Meeting venue costs are increasing, so Katzy asked for volunteers for an exploratory committee to determine meeting location options.
- Vice Presidents – Lisa Baker and Pat Dayton
  - Lisa called for program volunteers.
  - The VPs have been working on setting up 2027 workshops.
  - Color and Weave workshop by Rebecca Winter is scheduled for October 16-18.
- Membership – Cindy Griewe
  - Cindy announced that 80 members have paid for the 2026-2027 Guild year.
- Treasurer – Kelly Sandusky
  - Kelly discussed the annual ANWG membership payment.
- Secretary – Dyan Lay
  - Dyan reminded attendees to sign the sign-in sheet.
- ANWG – Katzy Luhring and Connie Griffin
  - Katzy and Connie provided an update on the 2027 conference and the Guild's name tag project.
- Outreach Committee – Jeannie Phillips and Janet Stanger
  - Jeannie provided upcoming event demonstrations and thanked volunteers for signing up. Check the latest newsletter for upcoming events.
- Study Groups
  - Beginning Weaving – Sherry Bittner: This group meets the second Thursday of every month at 6PM.
  - Paper – Rebecca Winter: This group meets the third Sunday at 1:30PM.
  - Rigid Heddle – Jinks Hunter: This group meets monthly the second Sunday.
  - Day Weaving – Greta Ankeny: This group meets the third Tuesday of each month.

### Officers & Guild Board

- President - Katzy Luhring
- Vice President - Lisa Baker
- Vice President - Pat Dayton
- Secretary - Dyan Lay
- Treasurer - Kelly Sandusky
- Membership Officer - Cindy Griewe
- Past President - Mary Berent

### Chairs

- Librarian - Hanna Meinikheim
- Web Master - Robin Conrads
- Equipment - Vila Cox
- Newsletter Editor - Robin Conrads
- Pat Ann Fund Administrator - Anne Oglevie
- Sample Exchange - Jeannie Phillips
- Outreach Committee - Janet Stanger
- Social Media - Dyan Lay
- ANWG Representative - Connie Griffin
- Spinning Study Group - Jeannie Phillips
- 2027 Weaving Intensive Study Group
  - \* Robin Conrads
  - \* Hanna Meinikheim
  - \* Nancy Alzola
  - \* Connie Griffin
- Day Weaving Study Group - Greta Ankeny
- Beginning Weaving Study Group - Sherry Bittner
- Rigid Heddle Study Group - Jinks Hunter
- Garment Study Group - Anne Oglevie
- Lace Study Group - Raelene Viste
- Thursday Fiber Friends Zoom - Jinks Hunter
- Tapestry Study Group - Mary Donato
- Paper Study Group - Rebecca Winter
- Church of Christ Contact Person - Vila Cox
- Bowmont Church Contact Person - Rebecca Winter
- Fairview Terrace Community Center Contact People - Rebecca Winter & Cindy Griewe
- Post Office Box Name Holder - Mitzi Meyers
- Mail Collector - Mitzi Meyers

### Website

<http://www.handweavers-guild-boise.org>

[Facebook](#) [Click Here for Link](#)

### Mailing Address

PO Box 6258, Boise, ID 83707

- Fiber Friends – Jinks Hunter: This group meets via Zoom every Thursday at 2PM and is a great opportunity to sit with friends, work on a project and chat.
- Tapestry – Mary Donato: The group meets the third Thursday of every month.
- Lace – Raelene Viste: This group meets the second Tuesday at Raelene's home.
- Spinning – Jeannie Phillips: This group meets the second Wednesday at the Rubaiyat in Caldwell.
- Garment – Mary Berent: This group meets the fifth Tuesday.
- Always check the latest newsletter for all Study Group activities and meeting details.
- Show and Tell
  - Tessa Stone bought a tapestry loom at the Guild's annual equipment sale and wove a tapestry with a crocheted hummingbird.
  - Connie Griffin showed 8/2 back-to-front towels.
  - Raelene Viste completed a lace convention project, sprang samples, Ada County fair demonstration pieces and a delicate little lace wafer.
  - Cindy Griewe revealed the NICU octopi that Guild volunteers had created.
  - Mitzi Meyers presented a rayon-chenille upholstery yarn piece and recommended the Lace Reader book she had read.
  - Morgaine O'Herne brought a stash busting knitted and beaded lace piece.
  - Suzanne Price completed a sampler of bird's eye twill on her counterbalance loom.
  - Kelly Sandusky showed three sets of knitted, niece-and-nephew Christmas stockings.
  - Tom Thompson recommended the Water Women book.
  - Jean Zaske brought a loom for the Free Table that she had made a 100% wool Navajo woven piece.
  - Benji Garza presented a wonderful wool scarf.
  - Mary Donato shared a lizard hat band.
  - Hanna Meinikheim created coasters and wee knit Christmas tree balls.
  - Ethan Holden showed an acrylic piece.
  - Pat Dayton told of her attendance at Madelyn van der Hoogt's weaving class.

Today's program is the Summer Scarf Challenge.

Meeting adjourned at 12:47PM.

♦ Respectfully submitted by Dyan Lay, Secretary



## Affiliate Programs

Windmill Crest Farms  
11136 Smith Ave  
Nampa, Idaho 83651

Windmill Crest Farms is supporting our Guild by contributing 5% of the retail cost back to our Guild for every Schacht product purchased by our members. Contact Karla Herre directly at 210-241-1107 or [windmillcrestfarms@gmail.com](mailto:windmillcrestfarms@gmail.com).



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Our Guild is now part of The Woolery's Guild Reward Program! The Woolery offers an easy way for our members to support our Guild by purchasing through our unique shopping link. Our Guild will receive 5% back from the total order value when you use the link below.

This is a great way to earn money and support the Guild by doing things you would already be doing: buying yarn, supplies, books, etc.!

Buying link: <https://woolery.com?aff=440>





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