

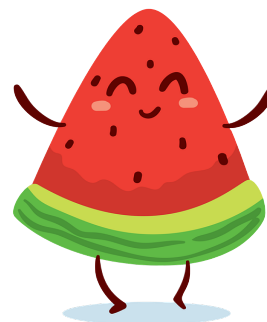
Connecting Threads

Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley September, 2026

September Program: Summer Challenge

Bring your completed Summer Challenge project to the September guild meeting which will be held on **AUGUST 29th** (to accommodate the Labor Day Holiday). The program will consist of a special "Show and Tell" of the Summer Challenge projects. Everyone who brings a completed Summer Challenge project will be entered into a drawing for one of three gift certificates from Lunatic Fringe Yarns! Can't wait to see what everyone has created!

❖ Lisa Baker & Pat Dayton, Vice Presidents



Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting:

August 29, 2026 ~ 11:30 a.m.

Board Meeting

August 26, 2026 ~ 7:00 p.m. via Zoom (contact Dyan Lay for link).

Program ~ Summer Challenge

At the Boise First Congregational Church of Christ,
2201 Woodlawn, Boise, in the Banquet Room
Next meeting - October 3, 2026

Study Groups:

September 8, 2026 ~ Lace Study Group

10:00 a.m. ~ At the home of Sue C.

September 9, 2026 ~ Spinning Study Group

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.~ (Wednesday) At Rubaiyat
Bookstore, 314 S 6th Ave, in Caldwell

September 10, 2026 ~ Beginning Weaving Study Group

6:00 p.m.~ At the home of Sherry Bittner

September 13, 2026 ~ Rigid Heddle Study Group

2:00-4:00 pm. ~ U of I Classroom, Caldwell

September 15, 2026 ~ Day Weaving Study Group

10:30 a.m. at Lunatic Fringe Yarns, Fruitland

September 17, 2026 ~ Tapestry Study Group

Evening? ~ hosted by Linda Morton-Keithley (to be confirmed).

September 20, 2026 ~ Paper Study Group

1:30 p.m.~ at the home of Rebecca Winter

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 sign ups are open. Please email me to sign up or sign up at the guild meeting. I will not be at the September meeting. I will be demonstrating at the fair.

❖ Jeannie Phillips, Sample Box Chair

## President's Letter

The new year of the Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley is almost upon us! I hope everyone has had a summer filled with adventures both big and small! Did those adventures include weaving, spinning, felting, dyeing, knitting, crocheting, tatting, braiding, bobbin lace making? That is probably not a complete list, but I do hope you have found time this summer to enjoy your craft and are ready to share what you created over the summer. And for those who participated in the guild challenge, I can't wait to see your results!

Remember to bring your show and tell and especially your scarves for the summer challenge to the guild meeting on August 29! Don't forget that this year the September meeting will be on the last Saturday of August because of Labor Day conflicts.

I am writing this letter on my lunch break at Convergence in New Orleans. I feel so energized by all the amazing garments I have seen, and to be surrounded by hundreds of people who just "get it" when I talk about weaving or knitting or crocheting. It is the same feeling I have at our guild meetings. We are fortunate to have each other to talk about our craft, share our adventures, and when I am struggling with a project I love knowing that our guild members are willing and ready to help me with advice and kind words.

Let's have a great year together! See you on the 29th!

♦ Katzy Luhring, President

## Guild Programs

We have been busy working on the monthly guild programs and have them set for the remainder of 2026

- September (August 29) Summer Challenge Reveal and Giveaway
- October 3 Supplementary Warps by Mary Berent
- November 7 ANWG Convention Badge Holder Project
- December 5 President's Challenge & Potluck

We are working on the programs for 2027 and plan to have the Yarn and Equipment Sale in May and would like to have mini workshops for the February program. We are looking for three or four presenters for the mini workshops; we have secured a presenter for Needle Felting. Do you have a presentation/topic you would be willing to present for a monthly meeting program or as a mini workshop?

Topics of interest include weave structures, tips for working with a loom/spinning wheel/drop spindle/other fiber arts tools, fiber arts vacation recap, one-hour projects: you get the idea. If you would like to present a topic at a regular guild meeting or a mini workshop, please contact Lisa or Pat.

♦ Lisa Baker & Pat Dayton, Vice Presidents

## ANWG (Association of Weavers Guilds) Conference Name Tag Project

Our Guild volunteered to make the name tags for the 2027 Biannual Association of Northwest Weavers Guilds Conference, which will be held in Portland, Oregon. The dates for the conference are June 14 - 19, 2027. Save those dates in your calendar; it's a great way to immerse yourselves in fiber art.

Our four Master Weavers designed four different weaving drafts for the name tags. We are weaving enough cloth for 550 handwoven pockets which will be attached to hand-plied lanyards and plastic sleeves. We are happy to report the weaving is nearly complete. A big thank you goes out to our weavers. The Master Weavers led the weaving teams, and they will continue to lead the assembly of the tags. We send out a big thank you to them, as well.

Our focus and overriding goal for this project is excellence. Plus, we will be offering an educational document to our guild and to ANWG, which will include all four weaving drafts and stories from the designers about how the designs were created.

Opportunities for you to become involved will be shared at the upcoming regular meeting on the 29th of August. We will need sewists, spinners, assemblers, and perhaps moral supporters. Look for the sign-up sheet to add your name to the list of volunteers. Assembly will begin soon and will be complete by March of 2027. Thank you for supporting this project.

♦ Rebecca Winter, Name Tag Project Co-Chair

## 2027 Intensive: Supplementary Warps

It's never too early to start thinking about the Intensive in January 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. More information and registration will be available in the October newsletter.

◆ Robin Conrads, Intensive Committee Chair

## 2026-2027 Workshops

Hope everyone is having a wonderful summer despite the smoke and heat. Another reason to stay inside and work on your fiber arts!

~ **Workshop ~ Color-And-Weave: A Design Technique**, by Rebecca Winter October 16 - 18, 2026, at the Fairview Terrace Community Center in Meridian, ID. There are only **five** openings left! Cost: \$150.00, and a Materials Fee of \$20 to be paid to Rebecca on the first day of the workshop. Sign up at the meeting or contact Lisa or Pat.

~ We have several topics suggested for a workshop in the second half of 2027. We will set up a poll to gauge interest in the topics for the workshop. Stay tuned for more details.

◆ Lisa Baker and Pat Dayton, Vice Presidents

## Demonstration Events

Here are the dates for the upcoming events that I announced. A couple of dates have changed. Demonstrators of any fiber art are encouraged to participate and demonstrate their skills. This is how we promote our Guild to the public.

Sign ups will be at the meeting. Watch the newsletter and Groups email for locations and directions.

◆ Janet Stanger, Outreach Chair

**Western Idaho Fair**  
August 21-30 from 12 to 4 p.m.

**Old Farm Days**  
September 27 from 12 to 5p.m.

**Idaho Renaissance Faire Part 2**  
To be announced.

## Study Groups:

### Spinning Study Group

The Spinning Study Group is meeting September 9th from 11-2 at our favorite bookstore! We love seeing everyone each month so please come join us.

◆ Jeannie Phillips, Study Group Chair

### Tapestry Study Group

The Tapestry study group didn't meet during the summer, but we're on track to re-convene in September. We are tentatively scheduled for Thursday evening, September 17, possibly in Melba, hosted by Linda Morton-Keithley (to be confirmed). Let's talk about it at the guild meeting on Aug. 29. The meetings are open to everyone and the varied discussion topics and show-and-tell are informal and fun! Stay tuned for email messages (main and tapestry subgroup) and contact me with any questions and suggestions for programs, group projects, etc. Hope to see you soon!

◆ Mary Donato, Study Group Chair



## Lace Study Group

The lace study group will be meeting on September 8th at 10:00, at Sue Cathey's home in Meridian. She's not in the directory, so contact me if you need the address.

❖ Raelene Viste, Study Group Chair

## Beginning Weaving Study Group

The next beginners weaving meeting will be Thursday September 10 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 tips and tricks. Best practices. Bring questions ideas and projects for show and tell.

October is turned taquet • 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

## Day Weaving Study Group

The Day Weaving group will meet September 15 at Katzy Luhning's/ Lunatic Fringe Yarns in Payette. We begin at 10:30. All Guild members are welcome to bring weaving questions and ideas about projects.

❖ Greta Ankeny, Study Group Chair

## Rigid Heddle Study Group

Sunday, September 13, 2026 from 2pm - 4pm at the U of I Classroom, 1902 E Chicago St, Caldwell

Topics: Pick up sticks and waffle weave. 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

## Paper Study Group

Our next meeting is on September 20, 2026, at 1:30 pm. We will meet at the home of Rebecca Winter. If you are interested in exploring collage, paper weaving, book binding, or other papery goodness, this group is for you. Bring your Show-and-Tell to share, and plan to share any new study information you have found. Always remember - paper is fiber, too!

❖ 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



### Officers & Guild Board

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

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- 2027 Weaving Intensive Study Group
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  - \* 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
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### Website

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

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

### Mailing Address

PO Box 6258, Boise, ID 83707

# 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:

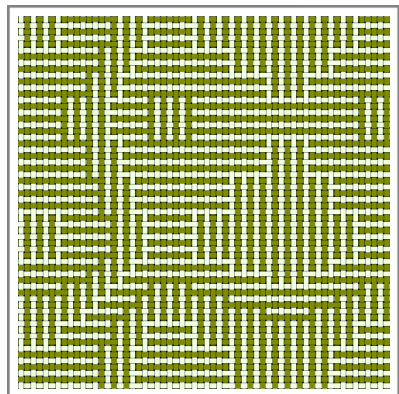
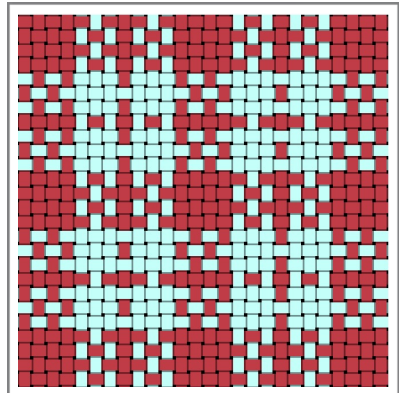
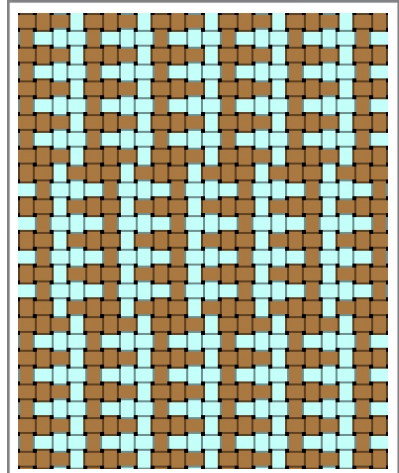
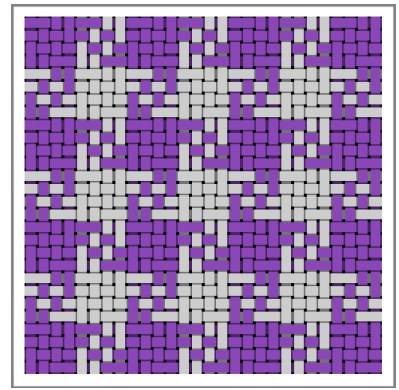
When: October 16, 17, 18, 2026 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday)

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 ~ June 6, 2026

- Members present: President – Katzy Luhring, Vice President – Lisa Baker, Vice President – Robin Conrads, Treasurer – Kelly Sandusky, Secretary – Dyan Lay, Membership Officer – Cindy Griewe, Past President – Mary Berent

### Business

- President
  - The meeting was called to order at 9:39AM.
  - Katzy thanked Robin as outgoing Vice President.
  - Church Lease
    - Contract revisions were discussed; Dyan to redline and get to Vila.
    - Kelly will contact insurance company for the Church's document request.
- Vice Presidents, Lisa and Robin
  - Everything is all set for Deb Essen workshop.
    - There are 9 participants, may use Pat Ann Fund.
    - Check provided to Deb for travel expenses, and refreshments were discussed.
  - There are 4 slots left for Rebecca's October workshop.
  - September program will be Summer Challenge.
    - Drawing for Lunatic Fringe gift certificate(s).
    - Robin has drafts, materials and rules.
- President's Challenge was discussed; the Board asked to provide ideas over the summer.
- ANWG name tags on track, and there was discussion of completion dates, issues, etc.
- Learn to Weave weekend had 14 participants and came in at \$2.49 under budget.
- Treasurer
  - Kelly will deposit the Square funds, Deb Essen registrants checks and the May Equipment Sale funds.
- Secretary
  - Secretary of State annual report done prior to April 30 deadline.
- The meeting adjourned at 10:44AM.
  - ♠ Respectfully submitted by Dyan Lay, Secretary

## Regular Meeting Minutes ~ June 6, 2026

### Call To Order at 11:30AM

- Present were 34 attendees: Katzy Luhring, Dyan Lay, Robin Conrads, Cindy Griewe, Kelly Sandusky, Lisa Baker, Mary Berent, Lee Turner, Hanna Meinikheim, Jeannie Phillips, Thad Downs, Tasha Denegal, Amy Perry, Nancy Alzola, Julie Gerrard, Janet Stanger, Tracy Stringer, Mary Donato, Susan Inouye, Sheila Anderson, Jean Zake, Jean Weber, Suzanne Price, Sally Johnston, Mitzi Meyers, Tessa Stone, Cornelia Shotwell, Jenni Jimmerson, Nancy Swenson, Katé Lyons-Holestine, Alyssa Bangs, Germaine Howson, and Ethan Holden.

### Business

- President – Katzy Luhring
  - Katzy welcomed everyone, and asked members to introduced themselves by name and, if money were no object, where would you visit.
  - She put thank you notes on the tables, asking people to sign them, and those receiving to pick them up after the meeting.
- Vice Presidents – Lisa Baker and Robin Conrads
  - Robin discussed upcoming workshops:
    - Updated the members on the Deb Essen's workshop, Understanding Profile Drafting. The event will be at the Fairview Terrace Community Center on June 19-21. Attendees should bring an unwarped loom.

- Color-And-Weave: A Design Technique, by Rebecca Winter will be October 16-18 at the Fairview Terrace Community Center. There are 4 slots left. All looms and weaving level are welcome: rigid heddle, 2, 4 or 8 shaft, beginner, intermediate, everyone.
- Robin explained the Summer Scarf Challenge.
  - Scarves to be presented at August 29 Regular Monthly Meeting.
  - Several drafts for weavers; for non-weavers, members can choose from elements as inspiration.
- Treasurer – Kelly Sandusky
  - Guild is selling 32" loom.
- Secretary – Dyan Lay
  - Dyan asked for Study Group Chairs to email summer meeting schedules for Guild's social media.
- Membership – Cindy Griewe
  - Cindy urged members to renew by the end of June. The \$35 annual dues may be paid via online, in person or by mail. Mitzi Meyers checks the Guild's post box once a month.
- Study Groups
  - Beginning Weaving – Sherry Bittner: This group meets the second Thursday of every month at 6PM.
  - Paper – Mary Donato/Hanna Meinikheim: 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.
  - 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.
- Outreach Committee – Jeannie Phillips and Janet Stanger
  - Janet provided upcoming event demonstrations and thanked volunteers for signing up. Check the latest newsletter for upcoming events.
- ANWG – Katzy Luhring and Mitzi Meyers
  - Katzy and Mitzi explained what ANWG is and the Guild's name tag project.
  - ANWG bookmarks available for members.

#### Show and Tell

- Mary Berent attended a parallel threadings Zoom class and showed a double-weave piece that she plans to make into a garment.
- Suzanne Price showed a completed wedge weave project.
- Katé Lyons-Holestine exhibited the Sleeper and Spindle book and is spinning a warp for an event.
- Lee Turner begged members to take containers home and presented a variegated Aussie fiber piece.
- Jean Weber wore a gradient cap shawl.
- Cindy Griewe crocheted rectangle shawl and recommended freezing yarn to make it easier to take apart pieces.
- Sally Johnston brought attention to the books on the Free Table.
- Jenni Jimmerson took Kathrin Weber's ANWG Workshop and wove a length of fabric on 12 shaft loom.
- Hanna Meinikheim created paper embroidery and wee knit balls.
- Jean Zaske made kitchen towels using natural 8/2 cotton.
- Mary Donato demonstrated band weaving, plain weave bands and recommended Joan Sheridan's Krokbragd video.
- Today's program is the Annual Potluck. Meeting adjourned at 12:23PM.
- ❖ Respectfully submitted by Dyan Lay, Secretary

## Affiliate Programs

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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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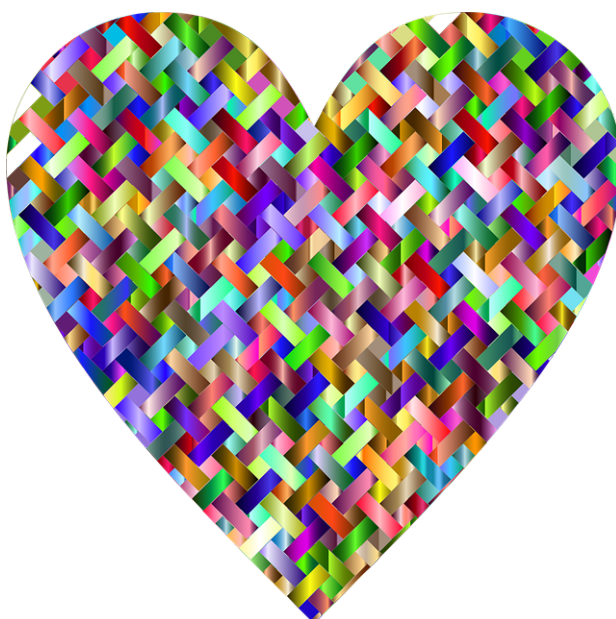
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