

Jacksonville Weavers' Guild

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December 2013 Newsletter

Judi Leatherberry, Editor

President's Message

THE STARTING POINT

In the last several years I've collected a small box of photos and postcards with interesting subjects, shapes, and colors to be used to help generate new ideas for color combinations and designs for weaving projects. I suppose I have occasionally fingered thru the stack

searching for inspiration, but to date I haven't actually used any of them as a starting point for a project. No, I seem to go about the design process in a completely different manner.

My latest project started when I was digging thru the last of an estate yarn stash. There wadded up on the bottom of the tote was a small hand painted tencel warp for a scarf. I don't know how it had escaped my notice as the colors were most interesting - lavender/purple, orange/red, and yellow. I immediately grabbed a cone of lavender tencel for the weft, threaded the wolf pup for twill, and began weaving. Now, granted, a lot or most of the design process was already done, but the warp sparked my interest.

Obviously, my collection of inspirational objects and photos was not the starting point of this weaving project. It was the colors that "spoke" to me loud and clear. So, whether one uses a photo, a memory, an old draft, or a new skein of yarn as a starting point is not important. What is important is that you START.

Judy



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Date: December 14, 2013

Our party hostess for this year will be Jennifer Hewett-Apperson. Her address is:

2814 Herschel Street Jacksonville, Florida 32205

The party will be from 11am - 1pm.

In lieu of gift exchange, please bring \$10 toward a Guild donation to Heifer International.

Jennifer will also be setting up a document for everyone to sign up for the covered dish luncheon. Please check your email for more information or contact Jennifer at 904.654.6593 (mobile).



Library Report

A reminder for any member who has books or magazines checked out...please return them at the December meeting.

Thanks! Barbara

ANNOUNCEMENT

The opening of "Point of View", juried exhibit of contemporary fiber art, is Sunday, December 8, 3-5 pm at the David A. Stein Jewish Alliance, 8505 San Jose Blvd. "Lower Downtown", fiber art quilt by Lynette Holmes, was accepted into this show.

Show runs through January 8.

FOR SALE OR TRADE!

Judy Jull has been contacted by a woman who has a 35 inch tapestry loom (possibly a Mirrix?) with the easel, tray, and a couple of reeds. She stated that she has never used it, but had warped it one time only. She would be willing to negotiate the price some, would rather trade for a small floor loom. If you are interested, or know someone who might be interested, have them call Judy at these numbers: Cell: 443-786-0021 or House: 904-964-6673. No emails, please, as her computer is down at this time.



January's program will be Stitched Resist Shibori

I will be doing some experimenting on different fabrics with different dyes, etc. this month and will have a better idea of supplies by Jan newsletter.

In the meantime, here's supplies you might be collecting:

- white or off-white (not tan) medium weight cotton broadcloth or old linen fabric, washed, about the size of a napkin.
- long needle (not small and fine)
- quilting thread in contrasting color
- glass jar (medium pickle size)
- fade away fabric marker

If you have questions, call me!

Thanks! Lynette



Rudell has kindly sent these pictures for all of us to enjoy! They are all fascinating!

In her own words:

Since I don't know what, if any, of these photos I'm sending are useful to you for the newsletter, I'm sending 1 more showing me "dressing" my 8-shaft computerized Baby Wolf for my current table runner project by tying on to an existing warp. I used 2 separate warps--one of Blazing Shuttles' hand-dyed 8/2 cotton and the other one of a solid purple 8/2 cotton from my stash that I threaded every other one in stripes that corresponded to the draft pattern.

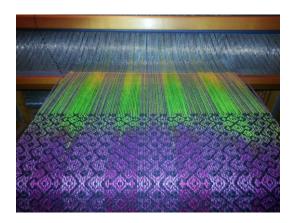
Rudell D. Kopp Author, Art Teacher, Fiber Artist



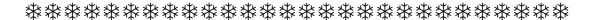


More from Rudell!





Such wonderful projects, Rudell! Thanks so much for sharing!!



Show and Tell from November's meeting! Thanks to everyone who shared their wonderful projects!!!





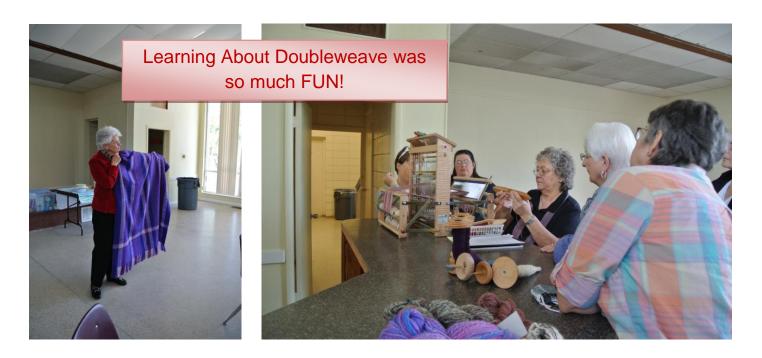




Inspiring Projects!











Sharing our Projects



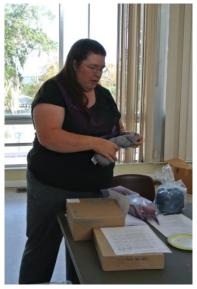










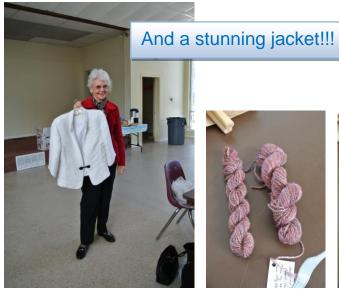


Scarves and Yarn--Oh, My!













Fingerless Mittens, too!