

THE WEAVER'S BAG



Mary Meigs Atwater
Weaver's Guild

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The Upcoming Guild Year

AUGUST 12: Dyeing Warps and Yarn by Teresa Ruch (Zoom meeting, 9:30 a.m.)

SEPTEMBER 7–OCTOBER 18: Guild Show: The Threads That Bind Us (Utah Cultural Celebration Center)

SEPTEMBER 7: 6:00–8:00 p.m. Guild Show Opening (this will be the September Guild meeting), UCCC

SEPTEMBER 7–9: Three-day workshop by Rebecca Winter—Shadow Weave: A Multifaceted Structure

SEPTEMBER 23: Guild Library open house, Susan Hainsworth's home 2:00–4:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 12: Playing with Color! Presentation of Guild Challenge

NOVEMBER 9: Sewing with Rectangles and Handwovens, by Carolyn Chen

NOVEMBER 17–18: Guild Holiday sale

DECEMBER 14: Holiday Potluck and Gift Exchange, Mimi Rodes's home

January 13: Color in Weaving, by Deb Essen (Zoom meeting, 9:00 a.m. to noon)

FEBRUARY 8: James Koehler, Tapestry Weaver, by Rebecca Mezoff (Zoom meeting, 6:30 p.m.)

MARCH 7: TBA

APRIL 11: TBA

MAY 9: Dye Day Preparation and Guild Challenge Reveal

JUNE: Saturday Dye Day and Potluck (date TBA)

Show Opening—"The Threads That Bind Us"

Thursday, September 7, 2023, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 1355 West 3100 South

Our biennial Guild show will be on display from September 7 through October 18, 2023. The Utah Cultural Celebration Center gallery is a beautiful place for this show, and we are very grateful to have the show at UCCC once again.

Our September Guild meeting will be the opening reception for the show, which will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 at UCCC. About 7:00, awards will be presented, and there will be a presentation by Rebecca Winter, a nationally known weaver and teacher, titled "The Languages of the Fiber Arts." Rebecca will judge the show and teach a three-day workshop in connection with the show. Refreshments will be provided. Please bring your family and friends.



Please remember to bring your show entries to UCCC Main Gallery on Saturday, September 2, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you are unable to deliver your entries to UCCC that afternoon, please contact Susan Hainsworth, Drew Quinn, or Phyllis Mandel.

All the registration materials have been sent out to the Guild and are on the Guild website. All information needed for the show, as well as all forms needed to enter your artwork, are provided in these materials.

President's Message

Dear friends and fellow Guild members,

This year you have two Co-Presidents—Jeanette Tregeagle and myself, Mimi Rodes. We have very different weaving skills—Jeanette likes fine threads (20/2 or smaller) and I think 8/2 is a CHALLENGE and like to weave with thicker yarns for rugs and tapestry. I think I am really disciplined when I weave with 10/2!!!

I just finished weaving my profile challenge project, a nine-foot long rep weave rug! Better late than never!

I am so looking forward to our September exhibit and the Show Opening! I hope everyone is planning to participate. It is always so inspiring to see everyone's beautiful work! Rebecca Winter will be a lovely and fun keynote speaker at the opening. We still have a few spots open in the Shadow Weave workshop, so let me know if you would like to attend.

Traditionally, in June or July, the incoming board meets together with the outgoing board to finish off any open last year's business and start planning for the coming year's activities. We had a wonderful, energetic and creative board meeting in June, and Wow!! The coming year is going to be great! Sunny Cate, as our Vice President, is in charge of programs and she already has most the year's programs planned out. See the list of programs in this newsletter!

The Guild has been given several generous donations from the families of Charlene Lind and Linda Asa. It was proposed and agreed that the board will use some of these gifts to provide additional educational opportunities to members. Specifically, we plan to offer three to four Zoom programs by well-known weaving instructors and artists. These programs will be in addition to our normal monthly meetings. Jeanette Tregeagle will be heading up the effort to identify and organize these programs. Much more to come!

I look forward to seeing all of your wonderful creations on the exhibit intake day, September 2, and at the exhibit opening on September 7. I hope everyone is having a lovely summer and happily weaving along!!

Mimi Rodes, Guild Co-President

Special Zoom Presentation: "Dyeing Warps and Yarn"

On Saturday, August 12, at 9:30 a.m., the Guild is sponsoring a special Zoom presentation, "Dyeing Warps and Yarn," by Teresa Ruch. The Zoom link will be emailed to everyone on the Guild list.

Teresa will use a PowerPoint presentation to show us how she dyes warps and skeins to get her saturated colors. She will also show her collection of ideas and samples for designing painted warps. Her website is teresaruchdesigns.com, where you can see samples of her work and yarns.

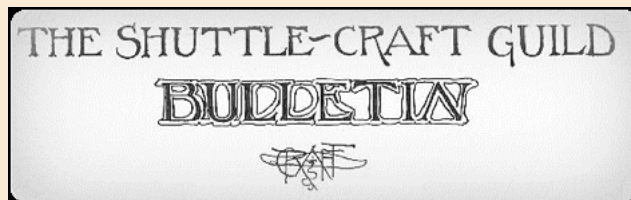
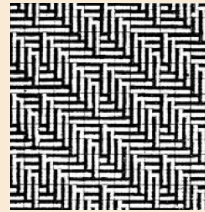


Teresa is a well-known creator of beautiful hand-dyed yarns. She took her first weaving class at Oregon State University, where she decided she wanted to be a professional weaver and began her journey. She took employment as a sample weaver with Pendleton Woolen Mills for five years and then was asked to design. She designed the jacquard blankets (computer-assigned designs) and wove designs for menswear, womenswear, and contract furnishings for the next twelve years. Teresa then started her own weaving business, where she needed colors not provided by industry, so she started dyeing her own threads. This has led her to dyeing tencel yarns in four weights and selling these at fiber shows and through her yarn rep.

The Shuttle-Craft Bulletin Study Group

The August meeting of the Shuttle-Craft Bulletin Study group will be held on August 10, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at Ping's home. The topic of discussion will be shadow weave, from the February 1942, May 1943, and June 1943 Bulletins. This will help prepare for the workshop with Rebecca Winter in September.

The study group meets to discuss Mary Atwater's work from the Shuttle-Craft Bulletins. This is an informal group—if you have not participated, try a meeting. The meetings often begin with a reading from Mary Meigs Atwater's biography.



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Guild Dues Are Due!

Welcome back for another year of great Guild meetings! There is always so much to learn and share with each other. We will be collecting dues for the upcoming 2023/24 season so we can provide interesting and inspiring meetings and presenters (as always). Dues are a mere \$30 for the year, payable by cash, check made out to MMAWG, or through the Paypal link on the Guild website. I am excited to see you all in September!—*Barbara Allen, Membership Secretary*

Library Open House, Saturday, September 23

There will be a library open house on Saturday, September 23, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Susan Hainsworth's home, 91 East 400 North, Centerville. This is a chance to spend time with our remarkable Guild library and take home some inspiring books. There will be refreshments, and you are welcome to bring your knitting and enjoy spending time with other fiber folk.

Guild Holiday Sale, November 17–18

The Guild Holiday Sale will be held on November 17 and 18 (Friday evening and Saturday) at the South Valley Unitarian Church, where regular Guild meetings are held.

Now is the time to start working (if you haven't already started) on handmade items to sell. Holiday items, apparel, household goods—anything that you make (except food) can be sold.

More information will be coming out soon. This sale is attended by more and more people each year, and a great many handmade items are sold to appreciative buyers. Make plans now to enter some items in the sale. —*Catherine Marchant, Guild Sale Coordinator*

Mary Meigs Atwater Weaver's Guild of Utah

To join the Guild, send \$30.00 (\$35.00 to receive the newsletter by mail) to Barbara Allen, 524 North 100 East, Centerville, UT 84014, or go to the Guild website, where you can join using Paypal.

To join the Guild e-mail list, contact Susan Hainsworth, susanhainsworth@gmail.com.

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