



Jacksonville Weavers' Guild, Inc.

Jacksonville, Florida

December 2010

<http://www.jaxweaversguild.org/>

Next Meeting

Members only holiday party
December 11, 2010
11:00 am
Hostess – Linda Schultz

Officers

President: Linda Schultz

Vice President: Jeanne Applegate

Secretary: Susan Wallace

Treasurer: Lee Kessler

Committees

Library: Barbara Wroten & Linda Schultz

Membership: Connie Geller

Newsletter: Ann Stodola

December Holiday Party Directions from Linda

NOTE: Edited for website, guild members check the emailed newsletter for directions or call Linda

904-285-5326 (home) and 904-742-5881 (cell).

Upcoming Programs

Master a tricky fiber or branch out to a whole new medium.

January- Working with Chenille

February- Spinning; Intro to Bookbinding with cloth and paper

March- Bookbinding: make a weaving journal

April- Kumihimo Jewelry: make a bracelet or necklace

May- To be determined!

Fall Community Projects Wrap-Up

The Jacksonville Weavers Guild has been busy this fall helping our community discover the joy of fiber arts.

Kudos and Bravo to the members and families who produced another great celebration of National Spinning and Weaving Week! Check the JWG website for photos of the October 2 event at the Riverside Arts Market. Demonstrations, members' art sales, and smiling faces abound.

Following right on the heels of the Arts Market, the Guild hosted an Open Studio at Southeast Regional Library on November 13. Folks had been asking us "Can I learn to do that? How??" They had a chance to try their hand at spinning and weaving with a variety of tools. There were floor looms, table looms, inkle looms, a cendrel, spinning wheel, spindles, kumhimo braiding, fibers, yarns and...more smiling faces! See them on the [JWG website](#).

Elemental Gallery & Studio Collaboration

If you cruised past your emails from Connie in mid-November, back up and check out an incredible opportunity to work with local artist and gallery owner Helen Cowart. Helen would like to include other artists' pieces along with her own glass work at her [Off The Grid gallery](#) in the Jacksonville Landing, [Elemental Gallery and Studio](#). She also has space to offer fine craft and art classes, and possibly even rental space for Guild displays or meetings. Connie has already placed some of her handwovens there. So look for Connie's notes with a hidden link to photos of the gallery and drop by the Landing to see for yourself. Let us know what you think at an upcoming business meeting.

The Crocheted Coral Reef... Mathematics, the Environment and Fiber

Submitted by Susan Wallace

Coral reefs are biological models of hyperbolic geometry. The best way for humans to model hyperbolic geometric figures is through crochet. So Margaret Wertheim and her sister began the Hyperbolic Crochet Coral Reef Project to use a handicraft they love and to raise awareness of mathematics and global warming. Over 800 people contributed to the project. The resulting "reef" is divided into sections representing healthy reef, bleached and dying reef, and toxic reef (made out of plastic trash). The reef is on display through April 24, 2011 in the National Museum of Natural History's Sant Ocean Hall at the Smithsonian Institution. The reef's popularity is attributed to its unique combination of marine biology, exotic math, traditional handicraft, conservation and community.

More information, including a link to a video can be found at <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/arts-culture/How-to-Crochet-a-Coral-Reef.html>

And if you get inspired to create your own hyperbolic structures, *Crocheting Adventures with Hyperbolic Planes* by Daina Taimina is available through HGA.