

## October 2019 Class Schedule

**Beginner Knit Hat:** The second step after learning the very basics in knitting is knitting in the round. Learn to work in the round with both circular and double pointed needles, simple pattern reading and basic decreases while making this versatile hat. This unisex beanie is sized from child to adult.

- Tuesdays, October 22 & 29 from 6-8 p.m. with Andrea
- \$60 plus supplies

**Beginning Knitting:** Knitting is now more popular than ever, and you can learn too! In this 2-part class, students will learn how to cast on, the knit & purl stitch, knit and purl combination stitches in the same row, and how to read a pattern. During the second class, you will learn how to shop for and start your first project, the Wheat Scarf by Tin Can Knits.

- Tuesdays, October 8 & 16 from 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. with Terri
- \$60 plus supplies

**Beginning Rigid Heddle Weaving:** Ever wanted to try weaving? Learn how to make woven fabric on a super portable, super approachable, super affordable rigid heddle loom!

In the morning, we will learn common weaving terms (including the parts of the loom), how to direct-warp a loom using a warping peg, how to thread your loom, and how to weave fabric. In the afternoon, we will finish weaving and cover finishing techniques including knotting and trimming fringe, and wet finishing your woven fabric. Students will leave with a set of coasters to full at home.

- Saturday, October 26 from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. with Donita
- \$60 plus supplies

**Easier Socks from a Tube:** Winter is coming... and we all know that there's nothing cozier than a hand-knit pair of socks. But, could you even imagine knitting a pair of socks in a day or two? It can be done when you start with a sock tube! In this mind-blowing class, you'll learn how to do afterthought everything; heels, toes, and cuffs. The rest will already be knit! This is a fabulous way to dive into your deep stash and knit all those socks you've been dreaming of! (Please note: You must register one week prior to ensure enough time to crank your yarn into a tube!)

- Sunday, October 13 from 1-4 p.m. with Terri
- \$55 plus supplies, additional tubes may be purchased for \$15

**Get to know your Spinning Wheel:** Do you have a new or new-to-you wheel? Have you started spinning on your own, but aren't sure about the vocabulary? Have you done some spinning, but had a difficulty you couldn't resolve? Spinning wheels are simple, ingenious inventions, but that doesn't mean they are always intuitive! The best way to start spinning on a wheel is to get to know your equipment first. Once you are comfortable with your equipment, troubleshooting is a breeze and you are on your way to tear-free spinning! In this workshop, we will get to know your equipment, including adjustment cleaning & maintenance.

- Wednesday, October 16 from 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. with Donita
- \$30 plus \$5 materials fee due to instructor at the time of class

**Get Started on your Spinning Wheel:** This class builds on "Get to Know Your Wheel". Once you understand how your wheel works and what the parts are called, you are ready to start spinning fiber into yarn! We will attach leaders to your bobbins, how to set up your wheel for each new spin, how to ready your fibers for spinning, how to coordinate your feet and your hands, and SPIN! We will discuss how to choose a good seat to spin from and ergonomics to keep you spinning for years to come. We will also cover what fibers are best to start spinning with!

- Wednesday, October 23 from 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. with Donita
- \$30 plus \$5 materials fee due to instructor at the time of class

**How to Choose a Wheel:** Double Drive? Scotch tension? Irish tension? Whorls? Ratios? Treadles? New? Used? Castle? Saxony? With all these words to describe spinning wheels, how can you know what makes a good wheel for YOU?

In this class, we will go over what all these words (and more!) mean for you when it's time to shop for a spinning wheel.

- Wednesday, October 9 from 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. with Donita
- \$30

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**Intro to Crochet:** Crochet is hotter than ever! Whether you have never picked up a hook or are a knitter looking to expand your skill set, this class is for you. Learn the basics, in this two-part class, such as the slip knot cast on, chain stitch, and single crochet; different hook styles and which will work best for you; the slip stitch, half-double crochet, and double crochet. You will also learn how to read a crochet pattern by getting to know stitch abbreviations and following a pattern, you will make a granny square.

- Tuesdays, October 23 & 29 from 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. with Terri
- \$60 plus supplies

**Intro to Sashiko Embroidery:** Slow down ... while you discover the repetitive beauty of creating Japanese Sashiko embroidery patterns formed with the simplest of all handwork stitches. Sashiko embroidery utilizes only the 'stab' or 'running' stitch to form simple to complex geometric designs with handwork. In this class, students will explore a variety of traditional Sashiko patterns, experimenting with different fabric backgrounds and thread types. You will leave this class having completed one or more small Sashiko samplers that can be incorporated into a project such as garment patch, a needle roll, pincushion or used as a personal reference as you continue to develop slow stitch handwork skills.

- Tuesday, October 1 from 2-5 p.m. or Sunday, October 6 from 2-5 p.m. with Melissa
- \$45 plus supplies including a \$10 kit due to instructor at the time of class.

**Plain Weave Scarf:** The quintessential winter weather accessory, this scarf works up quickly and makes a great gift for any recipient!

In this class, we will review how to direct-warp and create plain weave fabric on a rigid heddle loom, as well finishing techniques for twisting, knotting, and trimming fringe.

- Mondays, October 14 & 21 from 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. with Donita
- \$60 plus supplies

**Plying:** After you've learned the ins and outs of your wheel and how to spin a continuous single, the next step is to ply your yarn. Multi-ply yarn is more stable and balanced yarn, as well as longer wearing. In this class, we will cover how to make a traditional 2-ply yarn, traditional and chain-plyed 3-ply yarns and more. We will also talk about how to best prepare your singles for plying, why you need a lazy kate, how to construct your own lazy kate on the cheap, and what to do if you \*gasp\* ply your yarn in the wrong direction.

- Saturday, October 12 from 10 a.m. – 12 noon with Donita
- \$30 plus \$25 materials fee due to instructor at the time of class

**Puff Stitch Crocheted Hat:** This hat is a quick and fun project that makes great gifts! It's the perfect hat for those who know the basics and want to increase their crochet repertoire. You'll learn new stitches, how to read a pattern, and basic hat construction. Because I've crocheted this hat many times, I'll share tips and tricks for success that you won't find in the pattern!

- Sunday, October 5 from 1-3 p.m. with Terri
- \$30 plus supplies

**Slow Stitch Primer:** Slow down...for Slow Stitch! Explore simple handwork and embroidery stitches that form the basis for mending, patching, upcycling or embellishing hand knits, clothing and accessories. Students will learn basic stitches, experiment with different types of threads and learn the importance of needle selection in producing specific stitches. You will leave this class having completed your own stitch sampler - a personal reference as you continue to develop your Slow Stitch skills.

**Seven basic stitches will be taught in this class:** Whip Stitch, Running Stitch, Back Stitch, Seed Stitch, French Knot, Pistil Stitch and the Drizzle Stitch.

- Tuesday, October 6 from 2-5 p.m. or Wednesday, October 7 from 5-8 p.m. with Melissa
- \$45 plus \$5 for kit due to instructor at the time of class

**Weaving from your Knit / Crochet Stash:** Have you resisted weaving because you've heard you must use different yarn? Yarn on cones? Something called 'carpet warp'? Super fine yarn? The truth is - if it's yarn, you can weave with it on a rigid heddle loom! This class will lead you through evaluating your stash yarn for weaving possibilities for all different kinds of uses. We will cover choosing a good warp yarn & weft yarn, how to select the right sett for your weaving project and more.

- Monday, October 28 from 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. with Donita
- \$30

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**Wet Finishing your Handspun Projects:** If you've spent any time around spinners or weavers, you have likely heard one say, "It's not finished until it's WET FINISHED."

What is wet finishing? Why is it important? Is that another word for felting? How does one do it? We will answer all those questions and more in this class!

- Saturday, October 12 from 1-3 p.m. with Donita
- \$30 plus \$5 due to instructor at the time of class

### **Class pricing and policies**

Classes are \$15 per hour plus supplies unless specified; length of class is dependent upon the complexity of the subject. All classes are two hours and up. You can purchase classes individually or apply package credit. The price and length each class will be clearly defined in the class description.

Packages of class hours are available at \$150 per 10 hours, which includes 10 hours of instruction plus one 10% off coupon for supplies and one voucher for a one-hour Knit/Crochet/Spin Doctor session.

Classes have a minimum of 3 students and maximum of 6 to 12 students, depending on the complexity of the subject. **Cancellations must be 48 in advance to receive a credit for your class.** We understand emergencies happen and we certainly don't want you to come in when you are ill, but please let us know as soon as possible.

The Knit/Crochet Doctor sessions are \$15 per half hour and are available several times during the month; times are on the calendar. Get the help you need with a tricky stitch sequence, an unclear pattern, a runaway dropped stitch, or any other knitting, crocheting or spinning challenge. Call to schedule a session.

Private tutoring sessions are \$25 per hour.