

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

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General Meeting: Tuesday, March 6 ◆ 1:30-3:30 pm

San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas, CA

Programs, Carol Myers & Karen des Jardins, <u>Programs@SanDiegoKnitters.com</u>

March 6: Susan Lazear "Fashion Trends: From Sustainability to Innovation"

Susan's presentation is about fashion: fashion is moving in many directions, from sustainability to smart textiles. Sustainability is a philosophy which encompasses being kind to our earth and minimizing human impact on our environment. In fashion, this



translates to organic fibers, recycling, slow fashion, up-cycling, zero waste design, and better production decisions. Learn how these translate to fashion fibers, yarns, and clothing, and how we can play a part in making the world a better place for future generations. Learn also what is new in wearable technology and smart fabrics.

Susan Lazear is a Professor of Fashion at Mesa College in San Diego where she teachers various fashion courses including textiles, ethnic and historic costume, and pattern design. Susan designs wearable art, unusual fine art crafts and is a SLOW
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an alternative to un obsession with sped.
You see more when you take things a little slower,
like you notice every little detail
when a film is shown in slow motion.
Slow can manifest itself in any
design, object,
space or image
that encourages a promotion of local artisans,
local designers, local flavours.
It's an endless idea
you can make your own in any way you want to.
Slow works to counteract fast life
and the disappearance of local traditions.
In a loud, crowded, crazy world,
it's good for the soul
to live life better by living slower.

computer graphic artist. In addition to her teaching, she combines her skills in the creation of a line of software for sewers and textile artists under the Cochenille Design Studio name. She has taught design workshops around the world.

April 3: Irina Anikeeva "Knitting Traditions of Eastern Europe"

Knitting Traditions of Eastern Europe is the title for Irina Anikeeva's program in April. As an international knitwear designer, Irina will provide insight into the origins of knitting in eastern European countries and the resulting influences of those cultures. Being a guild member, Irina will also conduct two workshops on Wednesday April 4. More about Irina's presentation here.

Workshop Registration is open

April 4, 9am – noon: "Mosaic Knitting 101: The Cross and Diamond Cowl" is an introduction to mosaic knitting along with all the techniques needed to knit an attractive cowl. Mosaic patterns are created by slipping stitches from the row below without working them. You can achieve what appear to be complicated color patterns while using only one yarn at a time! AM Workshop info here.

April 4, 1pm – 4pm: "Estonian Inlay: the Talvel Mitts" is another opportunity to learn something different! The Estonian inlay known as 'Roositud' is a technique in which groups of stitches are wrapped with a contrasting color yarn. Roositud is much like embroidering while

knitting. In addition, both the Baltic braid and corrugated ribbing techniques will be taught in this workshop. PM workshop info here.

The cost of each workshop is \$30 for members (\$55 for non-members which includes a Guild membership through 2018)

How to Register for a Guild Workshop:

Guild members can either sign up at a Guild meeting or send an email to Programs@SanDiegoKnitters.com. Be sure to include your name, the name of the workshop, your email address and a telephone number. Payment upon registration is requested and guarantees your seat. More information is provided at the guild's website

Top Ten Reasons to sign up on the Car Pool List: Let's Carpool!

- 1. Reduce pollution.
- 2. Save gas money.
- 3. Drive in the HOV lane.
- 4. Ease parking lot congestion.
- 5. Knit while someone else drives.
- 6. Nap on the way home from the meeting.
- 7. Be of service to others by volunteering to drive.
- 8. Get to know more knitters in your part of town.
- 9. Never miss a Guild meeting if you've given up driving.
- 10. If you can't avoid being stuck in freeway traffic, you may as well be knitting!

Sign up at the Membership table!

Patterns by "The Accidental Designer," Laura Aylor

Several members have asked for a list of the pattern names of the samples that Laura Aylor displayed during her February program and at her workshops. Here is that list. All her designs are on Ravelry at

https://www.ravelry.com/designers/laura-aylor?page=1&sort=alpha.

Sweaters: Serra, Robie Street, Stonehaven, Woodsmoke, Burn, Grayson, Silver Girl (with the Dorset buttons)

Shawls/cowls: Faberge, Enamored, Charmed, Derecho, City Block Shawl, All the Shades of Truth, Between Oceans, Pennant, Cerro Gordo, Litchfield, Jordan Point Lightning Bugs, Misty Rhinebeck Morning, Olio, Pennant, Rift, Sandpiper, Winter Cardinal. Leap Year, Pine Burr, Retrospective, Woodwork

Minutes - General Meeting

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Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Co-President Laura Brubaker called the meeting to order at 1:25 pm. Laura welcomed guests and new members; she then introduced Programs Co-Chair Karen des Jardins.
Programs Co-Chair Karen des Jardins introduced guest speaker Laura Aylor. Laura spoke about her experiences as "The Accidental Designer." Laura explained that she found inspiration for her designs in nature, fiber, and stitch patterns. She has been able to create a successful design business because of the Ravelry platform which allows her to control both the creative and business aspects of her work.

After the presentation, Co-President Laura Brubaker conducted the business meeting.

Remembering Faye Metz: Co-President Laura Brubaker announced that long-time Guild member Faye Metz passed away in January. There will be a memorial service for her in April in Redondo Beach.

Membership Directory: Chair MarGee Farr reported that the 2018 Membership Directory will be published in late March and distributed at the April general meeting. In order to appear in the Directory, members must renew or join before the March general meeting.

Membership: Chair Nancy Nevin reminded Guild members to renew their memberships by the March general meeting in order to be included in the Directory.

Programs Co-Chair Carol Myers announced that January speaker Heather Walpole donated her book, Scarves in the Round, to the Library. Carol announced the March speaker is Susan Lazear who will speak on "Fashion Trends: From Sustainability to Innovation" and the April speaker is Irina Anikeeva who will speak on "Knitting Traditions of Eastern Europe."

Retreats: Co-President Laura Brubaker announced that the May retreat at the Mary & Joseph Retreat Center, Rancho Palos Verdes, and the August retreat at Viña de Lestonnac Retreat Center, Temecula, are both sold out. Chair June Bartczak has started a waiting list for both.

Philanthropy: Co-President Laura Brubaker introduced the new Philanthropy Chair, Ginny Newton. Ginny reported that the Philanthropy group will continue with all of its projects and will add Project Linus which accepts blankets for infants and children.

Help Desk: Co-President Laura Brubaker announced the new Help Desk. MarGee Farr will coordinate the effort. The Help Desk is designed to provide quick solutions to problems such as dropped stitches or interpreting pattern instructions. MarGee needs the help of expert knitters to staff the desk. If you would like to help, please contact MarGee.

Stash Sale: Chair Bobbie Brunson reminded everyone that the sale will be held in June and that donations of yarn, needles, hooks, books, and unfinished projects are welcomed. If you

donate a finished project, please price the donation.

San Diego County Fair: Chair Jan Davis reported that she received the first letter from the Fair organizers and that she will be attending the first meeting later this week. The theme of the 2018 Fair is "How Sweet It Is."

Members Teaching Members: Chair Karen Bochinski announced the three classes for February: two on Fabric Bead Necklace and one on Hey, Let's Learn to Dye Wool! Please see the Guild website for details.

MarGee Farr was Master of Ceremony for the Show & Share. Stacey Mann was the photographer. Co-President Laura Brubaker adjourned the meeting at 2:54 pm.



Are you are having difficulties with technique, reading pattern directions, etc.? Stop by the **HELP** table, located under the clock in Founders Hall before all Guild meetings from 12:30pm – 1:00pm. We will have two Guild members available to sort out your problems. Our March **HELPERS** are Willa Cather and Linda Berger. If you would like to volunteer as a **HELPER**, please contact Mar Gee Farr or stop by the **HELP** table and sign up.

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild General Information

Membership in the Guild is open to everyone regardless of your craft. Membership expires January 31. Dues are \$25 annually. Here is a printable membership form.

Send all articles for the newsletter by the 15th of the month to:

Newsletter@sandiegoknitters.com. Short articles relating to knitting or crocheting in general, and the San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild in particular, are encouraged. Notices and announcements of a commercial nature may be placed as paid advertisements. Send an email to the above email address for rates and more information.

2018 Programs

6-Mar: Susan Lazear, Fashion Trends: From

Sustainability to Innovation

3-Apr: Irina Anikeeva, Knitting Traditions of

Eastern Europe

4-Apr: Workshops with Irina Anikeeva **1-May: Zinzi Edmundson,** The Making of

KnitWit, a Niche Craft Magazine

5-Jun: Stash Sale

10-Jul: Potluck Luncheon (second Tuesday)

7-Aug: Barry Klein, Fashion Trends from

Trendsetter

8-Aug: Workshops with Barry Klein

4-Sept: Lily Chin, Outside the Box – Going

Beyond Standard Knitting

5,6- Sept: Workshops with Lily Chin

2-Oct: Timothy Hinchliff, Yarn Painting-a Folk

Art Tradition

6-Nov: Susan B. Anderson, Stash Changing

Moments

7,8-Nov: Workshops with Susan B. Anderson **3-Dec:** Holiday Luncheon and Fashion Show

<u>WORKSHOPS:</u> 2018 Workshop Registrations are open two months in advance for any workshop. Register by emailing <u>programs@sandiegoknitters.com</u> or sign up at a meeting. Payment is requested when you register: mail your check or pay by cash or check at a meeting. Registration is guaranteed upon confirmation of payment received. Go to the Guild's website for details about each workshop including location, cost, description, supply list, etc.

Retreats June Bartczak, Retreat Chair Retreats@SanDiegoKnitters.com

We currently have 16 members signed up for our May retreat at the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center in beautiful Rancho Palos Verdes from May 7-10, 2018. Right now our room block is sold out. We have a wait list in case additional rooms become available. It is a beautiful location, with great views, hiking and yarn shops nearby. Pricing as follows:

Doubles/triple \$415.00/person Commuter \$25.00/person per day. Meals are extra: Continental Breakfast \$6.00; Breakfast \$10.00; Lunch \$16.00; Dinner \$22.00). Commuters must be paid in full by April 23, 2018. Final payments for overnight participants are due by the May Guild Meeting.

We have one spot left for our August 2018 Retreat in Temecula. At our 2017 August Retreat the weather was beautiful, the swimming pool was open, and we all enjoyed the experience of being in Temecula in the summer! Deposit amounts and total costs are as follows:

Single Occupancy \$430.00
Double Occupancy \$330.00/person
Triple Occupancy \$300.00/person

If you'd like to join us, please make checks payable to SDNCKG and send them to me at 157 Via Monte d'Oro, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Stash Sale Bobbie Brunson, Stash Sale Chair

StashSale@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Thank you for your tremendous support of the Stash Sale last September. The sale was a great success. As you know the Stash Sale is a major fundraiser for the guild and supports programs and guest workshops

Starting this year, the annual Stash Sale will be held in the spring. This year's date is June 5, 2018.

It's time to start collecting donations for the annual Stash Sale. Bring your donations to our monthly meetings through May. You may donate anything yarn related: yarn, books, magazines, knitting needles, crochet hooks, notions, accessories, patterns, kits, UFOs and finished objects, fiber and spinning related items.

With your continued support, we look forward to another super, spectacular stash sale!

Philanthropy Ginny Newton, Philanthropy Chair Philanthropy@SanDiegoKnitters.com

As new philanthropy chair, I am thrilled to remind you of the many ways you can do your part as a member of our Guild to donate to those in need. We still need scarves and hats. We donate scarves primarily to the Women's Resource Center in Oceanside and Becky's House at the YWCA in San Diego. Red scarves are donated to female Cardiac Patients at Sharp Hospital. Hats are given to the Emilio Nares Foundation and to a local dialysis center (the patients, including their heads, get cold during treatment).

Another recipient organization is Project Linus – either a baby blanket (29"x36") or if that's too much, a 12"x12" square to be sewn together to

make a larger blanket. Someone has very generously donated many skeins of yarn to be used for these projects, so please stop by the Philanthropy Table at the next Guild meeting and choose some yarn and/or a pattern to use in your next project. Thanks for sharing your talents.

Members Teaching Members

Karen Bochinski, MTM Chair MTMWorkshops@SanDiegoKnitters.com



Making Dorset Buttons, by Eileen Adler

Thursday, April 19, 9:30 – 11:30am. Never look for matching buttons again! Eileen Adler will teach participants how to make Dorset buttons using a ring and yarn or floss from your project. Supply list and location information here.

Cost: \$20/member, payable to Eileen. Limit 10 students.

For more information email Eileen: <u>eileenadler@an.rr.com</u>.



Knitting on the Net













Clockwise from top left: Tanzanite pullover from Berroco has a unique neckline. It uses US4 needles and DK yarn. ◆ Strangely captivating vintage photos of people knitting, courtesy of Atlas Obscura ◆ Summer Garden Collection on Craftsy.com includes Bumble Bee, Lady Bird, Snail, Caterpillar and Butterfly. Make finger puppets, nursery mobiles, or catnip toys. ◆ Artichoke Socks from Cascade Yarns ◆ Learn a Better Cable Cast-on at yarnsub.com ◆ Sand Tracks Pillow from DROPS Design ◆ Torreyana Lace Shawl from Elizabeth Freeman is named for the Torrey pine, which grows here in Southern California and nowhere else in the world. From Knitty.com. ◆ Plus, an article about Woolen and Worsted: What Does It Mean? Article reprinted from Mason Dixon Knitting.



2018 Membership Form

February 1, 2018 to January 31, 2019

Membership dues for NEW and RENEWING members are \$25 when joining before September 1, 2018.

Membership dues for NEW and RENEWING members are \$35 after September 1-which includes remainder of 2018 and ALL of 2019.

Dues must be current to attend Workshops, Subgroups, Retreats, and Members Teaching Members classes; use the Guild library; and receive the Newsletter.

Bring <u>completed form</u> and a \$25.00 cash (exact change please) or a \$25 check (payable to SDNCKG) to a Guild meeting or mail to:

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild c/o Nancy Nevin, Membership Chair 13373 Grandvia Point San Diego, CA 92130

Please take the time to complete the form clearly to avoid confusion.

Name:

As you would like it to appear in the Directory and on your name tag.)

** Very important! Please print clearly!

Check applicable box below:

I am a	RENEWING MEMBER with no changes from 20	17.
I am a	RENEWING MEMBER with changes below.	

☐ I am a NEW MEMBER. My information is below.

Telephone:_____ Email:____

Ravelry ID: (optional)_____

Paid memberships received after the Guild meeting on March 6 will not be included in the 2018 Directory.

Membership information may NOT be sold or used for any purpose other than official Guild communication and individual communication of a personal nature between Guild members.

This Form is available on the SDNCKG website: http://sandiegoknitters.com/membership/

Show and Share - Shawls galore!



Joy Brackbill – Stephen West Speckle and Pop shawl was originally part of Westknits Mystery KAL 2017.



Vivian Forseth – Diaemus shawl by Lisa Mutch. Knit in Mountain Colors Silkdance and Sweet Georgia Yarns Flaxen Silk Fine. More on Vivian's Ravelry page.



Nancy Nevin from Knit @ Nite. Poncho knit in Berroro Jasper.



Mary Loera – <u>Project Peace</u>
2017 shawl by Christina
Campbell. Knit in two colors of
Knit Picks Hawthorne.



Maxine Holmberg – <u>Dreambird shawl</u> by Nadita Swings, worked in Miss Babs 2-Ply Toes Gradient set. Stunning colors and lots of German short rows!



Laura Brubaker – <u>The Color of Love kit</u> by Christopher Salas contained 9 mini skeins of Merino/cashmere yarn. Laura added the tassels.



M.E. Whitlock Fithian – The Joker & the Thief by Melanie Berg. Sunshine Yarns Classic Sock Gradient set and Baah La Jolla. More photos on Ravelry.

More Show and Share



Janet Stewart did a great job on her <u>Fluffy White Clouds</u> <u>blanket</u>. To make this fully reversible, she double knit the entire blanket!



Barbara Levin – Summer Fog vest by Lori Versaci, knit in Eden Cottage Yarns Bowland DK. More photos on Barbara's Ravelry page.



Mary Lovett – <u>Seamless Knit Square Afghan</u> by Lisa Simonson was a mystery knitalong in 2017. Mary used 17 skeins of Sprightly Yarns Acrylic Worsted!

Remembering Faye Metz

Faye passed away from lung cancer on January 24, 2018. She would have been 84 years old on February 14.

Faye was full of life and had an adventurous spirit. Her love of travel and long-distance bike trips took her to many countries, including the Netherlands. She happened to be there on 9/11/2001. When all flights around the world were cancelled, Faye rented a bicycle and biked around the Netherlands until she could return home. She loved all forms of exercise, whether it was running, biking, hiking, spinning, or doing yoga.

She was also an excellent knitter, not only in workmanship, but also in style and color choice. She enjoyed the companionship of her knitting circle at L'Atelier and the Guild Retreats, especially La Casa de Maria.

Most of all, Faye was loyal to her friends. She is missed. A service for her has been planned for April 8, 11:00 a.m. at Hillside Cemetery in Los Angeles. She is survived by her sister Karen Milke of Redondo Beach.



Irina Anikeeva, our April guest speaker, showed her latest design, the Polseye Pullover. She used YOTH Yarns Little Brother, a fingering yarn of Merino, cashmere & nylon. See more on Ravelry.

Guild Membership Nancy Nevin, Membership Chair Membership@SanDiegoKnitters.com

- Guild membership year is February 1, 2018 to January 31, 2019. Dues are still \$25.
- A new membership form is on the Guild website and in this newsletter. Please print out the form at home. Blank forms will only be available at the meeting for new members.
- Bring the completed form with \$25 cash or a check (payable to SDCKG) to the next meeting.

OR

Mail the completed form and cash/check to: Nancy Nevin, 13373 Grandvia Point, San Diego, CA 92130. A new directory will be printed in March and distributed at the April Guild meeting.

Renew by March 6 to ensure you are included in the 2018 Membership Directory. You must be a member in good standing to attend workshops and Members Teaching Members classes, to use our Guild library, and to receive the Guild newsletter.

Welcome to these new members who joined in February

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