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President's Message

I hope you all enjoyed Thanksgiving. Mine was spent in Northern Wisconsin, with mitten and scarf kind of weather. My looms have been busy making gifts for those that I love. It's nice to share a part of me with them.

It seems that December is filled with many possible events to attend. You're invited to join us at the Guild's Holiday Party. It's a chance to mingle and spend time with each other while enjoying some wonderful food. Hope to see you all there.

Warmest Wishes this Holiday Season - Barbara Esterholm

CHH Holiday Party!!

Sunday, Dec. 8, from 3-6 pm

at our Guild House

2327 Commerce St., Suite 106, Houston, TX 77002

Entree and drinks will be provided.
Bring an appetizer, side dish, or dessert to share.



Upcoming CHH Board Meetings

The next board meeting is scheduled for Feb 15, 2020 at 1pm.

Guild House News

We've got a few more classes in 2019... check them out. If you have any suggestions or requests for 2020 I'm working on that now - drop me a line - tkweaver1@gmail.com.

December 7 - Introduction to Rigid Heddle with D'Anne Craft

December 14 - Bookbinding - Snowshoe

For more information on any of our classes check out - www.weavehouston.org



To access the Guild House:

To enter the main building go to the door in the center of the front or back of the building. There is a coded lock on the door – Press 2341. Our interior door is marked.

Come by and check it out. Hours – Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10-4.

Thank you to our Guild House volunteers!

Barb Andes Kathy Bone Blaine Davis Connie Elliott Susan Fennewald
Fern Handler Din Iyer Tracy Kaestner Susan Kingsbury Ginny Martin
Linda McGlasson Pat Powell Lisa Rose Mary Welch



Want to volunteer at Guild House? Contact Lisa Rose at lisa@rose2.net. If you do any volunteer work on behalf of the guild, be sure to record your hours in the book located in the Guild House office.

WEAVE HOUSTON

Celebrating 70 Years

April 25 – May 31, 2020 (end date is not concrete yet) Opening reception: April 24, 2020
Houston Center for Contemporary Craft 4848 Main St Houston, TX 77002

We are excited to announce a CHH members only exhibition in celebration of our 70th anniversary at the Houston Center for Contemporary Craft! This will be an excellent opportunity to show your work in a gallery setting. All are welcome to apply, and all entries will be accepted. Basic details about the exhibition and entry guidelines are below with more information to come at a later date. We can't wait to see what you submit - happy weaving!

Molly Koehn, Exhibition Chair mollyekoehn@gmail.com

Entry Guidelines

- Entry fee: \$10 for one entry
- Entry deadline: April 5, 2020
- Delivery deadline: April 20, 2019
 - Work must be shipped or hand-delivered to the Houston Center for Contemporary Craft.
- Applicants must be a member of the Contemporary Handweavers of Houston.
- Limit one entry per member.
- Everything entered will be accepted as long as it meets the requirements.
- The exhibition will be juried for prizes. Juror and prize details TBA.
- Work must be made within the last 5 years.
- Only items in the following categories will be accepted – no exceptions:
 - Handwoven–Interlaced items, including basketry and wire weaving
 - Braiding – including kumihimo
 - Handspun
 - Hand-dyed items
 - Handmade Felt – Includes needle felted items
 - Fulled Items – Includes knitted and crocheted items
 - Handmade Silk Fusion
 - Handmade Paper
 - Bead Weaving– Includes items woven on bead looms or using off-loom bead weaving techniques, such as brick stitch, peyote stitch, right-angle weave, ndebele, herringbone, netting, and the like. Strung beads are not acceptable.
- Each of the above categories includes items made from or incorporating materials within that category.

- Knitted and crocheted items are not acceptable unless fulled or made with handspun or hand-dyed yarn.
- All work must be the submitting member's own work.
- Only well-crafted items made of high-quality materials will be accepted.

Participants are representing themselves, CHH, the general membership, and the represented crafts. Details on how to enter will be announced in a later newsletter.

Kudos – Linda Thompson

The Biannual Art to Wear event was held in Ft Collins, Colorado this past October. Our own Linda Thompson won the Grand Prize for overall excellence in creativity and technique. Her handcrafted fabric was cut into hundreds of bias strips, made into tubes and reassembled into the dress shown below.

Congratulations, Linda!



Workshop Recap

"Explore four harness Rosepath" - Rosepath using rags

November 15-17, 2019 at CHH Guild House

Teacher: Nancy Crampton





Art Camp Registration starts November 15!

Get Ready for CHT Art Camp 2020

March 27-30, 2020

[John Newcombe Tennis Ranch and Conference Center, New Braunfels](#)

[Registration book and course description on the CHT website](#)

Contact -- Inga Marie Carmel at artcamp.weavetexas@gmail.com

What is Art Camp?

Art Camp is a gathering of Texas weavers in the even numbered years between Contemporary Handweavers of Texas conferences. Why wait two years to be with your weaving and fiber friends? CHT Art Camp is a smaller, more low key retreat for kindred spirits — weavers, spinners, basket makers and more — to get together for fun, fellowship and creating. Please join us as we gather again in 2020 for fibers, fun and relaxation in the beautiful Texas Hill Country!

We have some really fun workshops and evening sessions this year.

The 2 day workshops being offered are:

Beginning Tapestry Weaving, Sherri Woodard Coffey

Deflected Double Weave, Deborah Harrison

Basketweave Bowls: Round reed bowl and flat twill weave bowl, Cricket Rose

Visible Mending / Boro, Christine Miller

The 4 short evening sessions we have lined up are:

Fabulous Finish: Fasteners with Fashionable Flair, Cate Buchanan

Ribbon Birds, Rasa Silenas

Loom TLC, Al Hoerig

Tila Bead Beaded Bracelet, Peggy Friedrichs

We're also planning something fun to do together on Friday, the **Art Camp Mixer**. It's still in the planning stages, but it will involve you bringing the first, or first-ish, thing you wove and something recent. So put that on your packing list!

Art Camp is a residential camp with accommodations in two bedroom condos. The breakout rooms are spacious and the evening gathering space very large. There is a large heated pool for your enjoyment and a fire Sunday evening complete with s'mores. Seven meals are included with menu flexibility for special requests.

Registration opens November 15, 2019 and closes February 20, 2020. Workshop descriptions, schedule and the registration booklet are now up on the CHT website at <https://www.weavetexas.org/art-camp-2020/> and you can contact also contact me, Inga Marie Carmel, at artcamp.weavetexas@gmail.com with any questions or suggestions.

The fee for lodging, meals, conference facility fees, taxes and instruction is \$395 for a double room and \$515 for a single. Scholarships are available at [weavetexas.org/education-workshops/fiber-arts-scholarships/](https://www.weavetexas.org/education-workshops/fiber-arts-scholarships/) or contact Jenny Barker at rhea481@cs.com

We hope you can join us this year at Art Camp! It's a ton of fun!



2019 Sales Comparison

2019

ENTERED

Category	Price Range	Average	# entered
01-Ornaments	\$ 8 to \$ 48	25.70	120
22-Clothes/slip	\$ 95 to \$ 165	115.00	4
23-Toys/Dolls	\$10.00	10.00	106
30-Scarves/Boas	\$ 15 to \$ 275	73.56	238
31-Shawls	\$ 60 to \$ 370	180.00	14
33-OuterWear	\$ 300 to \$ 465	362.07	14
34-Clothing/Top	\$ 145 to \$ 450	330.00	7
35-Totes/Purses	\$ 10 to \$ 49	23.46	28
36-Jewelry	\$ 12 to \$ 195	54.99	148
37-Hats/Headban	\$ 12 to \$ 40	28.80	5
38-Belts	\$ 25 to \$ 30	27.50	2
41-Other/Misc	\$ 7 to \$ 30	17.04	69
50-Mugs/Rugs/Co	\$ 5 to \$ 20	10.54	56
51-Towels/Dish	\$ 3.50 to \$ 55	31.57	149
52-Towels-Guest	\$ 15 to \$ 42	32.00	12
53-Placemats	\$ 15 to \$50	39.40	5
54-Napkins	\$ 14 to \$ 64	28.54	26
55-Table Runner	\$ 15 to \$ 150	51.85	42
56-Pot Holders	\$ 20 to \$ 22	21.50	8
57-Apron	\$ 24	24.00	2
58-Rugs	\$ 80 to \$ 110	95.00	2
60-Throws	\$ 24 to \$ 270	81.33	12
61-Baskets	\$ 12 to \$ 110	47.41	48
63-Decorative	\$ 15 to \$ 200	92.00	23
64-Misc Home	\$ 10 to \$ 85	28.27	50
70-BookMarks	\$ 4.95 to \$ 20	8.04	40
71-Cards/Calend	\$ 5 to \$ 12.95	8.08	80
72-Pincushions	\$ 5 to \$ 10.95	7.99	35
73-Boxes	\$38	38.00	1
74-Felted Items	\$ 12 to \$ 140	54.22	71
75-Handspun Yar	\$ 8 to \$ 50	18.19	27
76-Bags /Torta	\$ 7 to \$ 30	15.80	96
77-Yardage	\$ 10 to \$ 12	11.50	8
78-Hand-Dyed Ya	\$ 18 to \$ 28	22.00	4
91-Wearables	\$18	18.00	6
92-Home Accsry	\$ 10 to \$ 28	20.75	4
93-Baby Items	\$ 8 to \$ 85	26.45	20
99-Gifts/Misc	\$ 8 to \$ 38	9.60	69
Total Entered			1651

2019

SOLD

Category	Price Range	Average	# sold	% sold
01-Ornaments	\$ 8 to \$45	26.63	16	13%
22-Clothes/slip			0	0%
23-Toys/Dolls	\$ 10	10.00	77	73%
30-Scarves/Boas	\$ 18 to \$ 159	66.08	50	21%
31-Shawls	\$ 90 to \$ 370	239.67	3	21%
33-OuterWear			0	0%
34-Clothing/Top	\$ 395	395.00	1	14%
35-Totes/Purses	\$ 10 to \$ 49	24.83	6	21%
36-Jewelry	\$ 12 to \$ 90	33.23	31	21%
37-Hats/Headban	\$ 12 to \$ 40	26.00	2	40%
38-Belts			0	0%
41-Other/Misc	\$ 9 to \$ 30	13.86	23	33%
50-Mugs/Rugs/Co	\$ 5 to \$20	9.90	21	38%
51-Towels/Dish	\$ 15 to \$ 40	28.88	88	59%
52-Towels-Guest	\$ 15 to \$ 42	34.20	5	42%
53-Placemats	\$ 15 to \$ 35	25.67	3	60%
54-Napkins	\$ 14 to \$ 64	25.43	21	81%
55-Table Runner	\$ 40 to \$ 150	61.36	11	26%
56-Pot Holders	\$ 20 to \$ 22	21.00	4	50%
57-Apron			0	0%
58-Rugs			0	0%
60-Throws	\$ 140	140.00	2	17%
61-Baskets	\$ 15 to \$ 95	48.29	14	29%
63-Decorative	\$ 40 to \$ 200	103.75	4	17%
64-Misc Home	\$ 10 to \$ 85	29.00	9	18%
70-BookMarks	\$ 4.95 to \$ 8	6.34	16	40%
71-Cards/Calend	\$ 3 to \$ 12.95	6.94	20	25%
72-Pincushions	\$ 5 to \$ 14	7.22	16	46%
73-Boxes	\$ 38	38.00	1	100%
74-Felted Items	\$ 10.95 to \$ 90	32.23	17	24%
75-Handspun Yar	\$ 10 to \$ 25	15.45	12	44%
76-Bags /Torta	\$ 7 to \$ 30	16.73	57	59%
77-Yardage	\$ 10 to \$ 12	11.43	7	88%
78-Hand-Dyed Ya	\$ 18 to \$ 24	20.00	3	75%
91-Wearables	\$ 18	18.00	2	33%
92-Home Accsry	\$ 20 to \$28	24.00	2	50%
93-Baby Items	\$ 8 to \$ 85	21.86	7	35%
99-Gifts/Misc	\$ 8.95 to \$ 22	12.48	4	6%
	Total sold		555	34%

Swatch Swap 2020: Anni Albers and the Bauhaus

Since our first meeting, September 22nd, we are immersed in our study of Anni and the Bauhaus. We decided to postpone the determination of our final project until the January meeting on the 16th at 1:00 PM (after the general meeting). Until that time, we will be reading, pondering and doing research on our topic.

Interested parties contact Marian Carlson: marian.carlson1@live.com

The meeting dates are:

Sunday **January 16th**, 2020

Sunday **May 3rd**, 2020.

Study Groups

In addition to our regular monthly guild meeting, CHH has quite a few study groups that meet each month to provide our members with an extra opportunity to study a particular subject in more depth, as well as socialize with others interested in the same topics.

CHH SWATCH SWAP: Annual swatch swap exchange. This year's topic will be "Anni Albers and the Bauhaus School of Design". Email Marian Carlson marian.carlson1@live.com for details.

FIBER STUDY GROUP: Meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday, 10am, at the **Guild House**. To get the latest information on the Fiber Study Group, send your email to Pat Powell – patricia.powell@att.net

TALL PINES STUDY GROUP: Meets monthly on the 4th Sunday, 2pm (no meeting in June). Meeting location varies, so contact Sidney Formanek at sidcaver@yahoo.com for more info. Tall Pines is a weaving study group, which meets in the homes of our members and invite anyone who is interested in exploring weaving. We welcome brand new weavers as well as experienced weavers. **(North)**

TAPESTRY STUDY GROUP: Meets monthly on 3rd Sunday, 1:30pm, at the **Guild House**. The focus is on learning about design, equipment, yarns, weaving techniques, mounting, pricing and sale of created tapestries. Projects TBA.

WOW (Way Out West Weavers): Meets monthly on 1st Thursday, 10:00 am, at the *Cinco Ranch Public Library, 2620 Commercial Center Blvd., Katy*. The group began meeting in 1998 and has 21 members; some live out of town. Email Marian at marian.carlson1@live.com to see which location. **(West)**

WESTSIDE WEAVERS & SPINNERS: Meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, with the location rotating among members' homes. The group began meeting in 1981. For more info, contact Penny Nelson at 979-733-8120 or penny@skyloomweavers.com. **(West)**

All study group participants must be active members in CHH. Just as visitors are allowed to attend one general membership meeting, so are visitors allowed to attend one study group meeting. Regular participation in study groups requires active membership. It is not fair to those who maintain their membership regularly to have to support those who feel they don't need to because they don't attend the general membership meetings. So study group coordinators please have your delinquent members go to our website, www.weavehouston.org, and renew. Thank you.



Molly Koehn manages the CHH Instagram account.

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Do you shop on Amazon?

If you shop Amazon and haven't added us as an affiliate, it doesn't take long to sign up and we then get a percentage of every purchase made. So far we've gotten over \$200.00 from Amazon, and have 26 people signed up. With our membership at 150, we can probably do better than that.

There's a link on our home page down in the bottom right hand corner, so it's really easy to sign up.

Workshop or Vacation Rental

Jason and I moved just between Brenham and Round Top a year ago. We have a BnB and a large room for workshops and other gatherings. There are 2 suites in the converted Barn each have a queen bed and a convertible full size sofa, full kitchen, full bath with double sinks and spacious walk-in shower, wifi and DirectTV. It's a great space for workshops or weekend out of town. There is also a Tiny house (326 sq.') with a queen bed, convertible sofa, kitchen, bath. Buildings are 1 year old and nicely appointed. With 2 units' rental for 2 nights, no charge for use of the Great Room. For more info and photos, click on links below to Air BnB - Cammie Bierle



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<https://airbnb.com/rooms/25778061>

<https://airbnb.com/rooms/21263783>

<https://airbnb.com/rooms/25816354>

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can be found in the Member's Only
section of our website.

are held the third Saturday of the
Month, August through May at 10:00
a.m. unless there is a workshop
conflict.

Guild House is open on

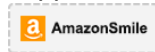
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**Newsletter Deadline**

The deadline for submissions to the
monthly newsletter is the 25th of
each month. The newsletter will be
emailed on the 1st. All members are
welcome to submit articles or photos
that might be of interest to the guild.
Articles may be edited for content or
space.

Want to advertise in the CHHit CHHat Newsletter that goes to all members?

Contemporary Handweavers of Houston's CHHit CHHat Newsletter is published monthly, August through June, and is sent to all paid members. DEADLINE for stories and advertising is the 3rd Thursday of the month for subsequent month's issue.

Send ad copy to Theresa Rogerson, Editor, (tdunn1953@gmail.com).
Send check in advance to the Guild House address, c/o Blaine Davis, Treasurer.
Electronic copy and artwork is preferred. **Make checks payable to CHH.**

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