August 1st Deadline for Benton-Franklin county fair entry forms register on line
August 8th  Wednesdays Afternoon Spinning 1 - 4pm at the Guild House August 22nd - perhaps at the fair
August 13th and 27th from noon to 4pm Rigid Heddle Study meets at the Guild House
August 16th  6pm By the Book Knitters in the Conference Room at the Richland Public Library
Tuesdays 7th, 14th 28th  Spinning  6:30pm at the Richland Public Library
August 19th 1-6 Take in for Fair Entries
August 21st - 25th Benton-Franklin County Fair
August 26th Take down 8-10am at the Fair

BENTON-FRANKLIN COUNTY FAIR  
THE BEST WEEK OF THE YEAR  
AUGUST 21- 25TH

The fair is coming up fast! Early registration is due by August 1 then there will be an added fee. Please enter your work show the public the amazing things we can do with natural fibers. If you raise fiber animals please enter your fleeces into the wool department. Also the fiber arts department has ongoing demonstrations during fair week. The demonstrations range from spinning to weaving to knitting to any fiber arts project. We will be having special kids projects on Wednesday so if you’d like to help let us know. One of those is a stomp rug and we might have time to do extra rugs if you want one contact me for more information. There is a limited amount of tickets available to those who come work for 4 hours. The tickets will be given on a first come first serve basis.

What I need:
- help setting up on Sunday the 19th starting at 1
- demonstrators during the week (either come and go as you want or sign up for a 4 hour block to get a free entry ticket)
- help tearing down on Sunday the 26th at 10

Please contact Rebecca Harkins at rebeccasromneys@gmail.com or (509)627-1293 for more information or to volunteer. Go to the Benton-Franklin County Fair web site to view the Exhibitor’s Guide. Department 25 - Open Class Fiber Arts has all the information about the many awards, classes in which to enter and the registration form. Registration must be done by August 1st. Your entries are due at the fair grounds Sunday August 19th between 1 and 6pm. Set up is Monday the 20th. Take down Sunday August 26th 8-10 am

Entering in the fair earns you a ticket to the fair plus a chance at prize money. Demonstrating at the fair is one of the ways DFA reaches out to the community. Demonstrating will also earn you a ticket to the fair. Questions should go to Rebecca Harkins.

LOST PHONE
This is to let anyone in the guild know my phone passed away, so if you need to contact me email me. Hope to find a new one soon.

Co-President Karen Lamar
The Rigid Heddle Study Group has had a lot of fun exploring the Theo Moorman inlay technique. Here are pictures of several of the completed projects:

We will share the TM projects at the September General Meeting. Our next group project will be double weave which we are hoping to start in the fall. Don’t forget, there is still time to enter your handcrafted items in the Benton Franklin Fair. The theme this year is Best Week of Summer. Check out their site and the new departments to exhibit in: https://www.bentonfranklinfair.com/p/get-involved/204

We will meet August 13th and 27th from noon to 4 at the Guild house.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday August 21st from 6:00 to 8:00pm in Conference Room A at the Richland Library.

Our members are very generous with time and yarn. Last month we asked for knitted leaves for the Autumn Leaves Shawl and this month we received 34. We only need 20 more leaves to finish. The Dryad is going to be very happy at this year’s Merrie Greenwood.

We put out a request for acrylic yarn for Project Warm-up and received 4 bags and on the way the car someone donated another large box of yarn.

The Initials Challenge - from the chart look up your initials and find the 3 colors you just love, then add 1 neutral and bring your project by the Christmas Party December 18th. I emailed the Central Oregon Spinners and Weavers Group to tell them we stole borrowed their challenge. They replied that they “borrowed” it from the Portland Handweavers Guild. They would like to see pics of your finished projects too.

A Library staff member as requested that someone adopt her and make a project with her initials LMA, she would like Lemon, Midnight Blue and Aqua so she can pretend she is “at the beach on the edge of the water looking into the sunset”. A pdf of the chart will be the website.

Books we read
A new song and These High, Green Hills Novel by Jan Karon
Fox in Socks by Dr. Seuss
Ghost by Jason Reynolds
Go Dogs Go! by P. D. Eastman
Goodnight Moon Novel by Margaret Wise Brown
Heresy by S. J. Parris (aka Stephanie Merritt)
I Am Half-Sick of Shadows and Speaking from Among the Bones by Alan Bradley
Little Women, Good Wives, Little Men, Jo’s Boys by Louisa May Alcott
Seeing a Large Cat by Barbara Mertz (aka Elizabeth Peters)
Stealing the Mystic Lamb by Noah Charney
The Bookseller by Cynthia Swanson
The Cuckoo's Calling by Robert Galbraith (aka J. K. Rowling)
The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot
The Keeper of Lost Things by Ruth Hogan
The Outsider by Stephen King
The Radium Girls by Kate Moore
The Scrambled States of America Talent Show by Laurie Keller
The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
The Way of Kings by Brandon Sanderson
Mega Series (we love mega series, love their characters and plotlines)
Game of Thrones by George R R Martin
Maisey Dobbs by Jacqueline Winspear
Outlander by Diana Gabaldon
I hope the heat isn’t bothering you too much and that everyone is doing well. I have enjoyed traveling a bit this summer, attending weddings and such. I have also been practicing spinning wool. I am still a spinner of overly “energized” yarn, but my husband is quite impressed. I am going to let him go on being impressed!

I have always loved learning new things and Desert Fiber Arts is currently my favorite playground. The Allison Harding classes are great; it is lots of fun to play with dye and silk and wool. I am truly appreciative of all the help I have received since I joined in January. Desert Fiber Arts is a great organization with generous members.

Speaking of organization, we are still in need of a Hostess. I have included the definition of the position from our Policies:

The meeting hostess/host shall assist the vice-president in setting up the meeting place with chairs, hospitality table, guest book and name tags and shall welcome guests. The hostess will provide a greeter.

Also, the hostess provides the refreshments for the meetings and this is done at their own expense. It doesn’t need to be elaborate. If you are interested, please contact me at 509-460-3127 or ld_wiberg@hotmail.com.

Summary wishes to all, Leslie

DFA Members,

We are in need of someone to manage the Guild Facebook account. This would entail keeping the account current; posting upcoming activities, workshops, fund-raising efforts, pictures of all of us having fiber fun, etc. It is important to keep the public aware of what we are up to, to boost interest, and to draw people to our website. This is a great way to be involved in the Guild without too great a commitment.

Fall Fashion Fiber Arts Sale

Friendly reminder to all DFA members that November is our fall sale and the Allied Arts show is in January 2019. I hope that you are taking part of your summer to weave, knit, spin, and felt items to show and sell at both venues. Keep cool. Sharon

Fall Fashion Fiber Arts Sale

The latest newsletter from the Woolery had an interesting article about how this is the time to start “your holiday gift crafting plans”! This idea can also apply to making items for the November DFA sale; hard to believe but November 1st will be here before you know it!! The newsletter also included a Christmas Gift Crafting Worksheet that listed Projects, Things Needed, Stash, Shopping, Time Estimate (how long to make project) and Goal Date, another idea than can be applied to making items for the sale.

Make a list of items you would like to make for the sale, supplies you have on hand and supplies you need to purchase and start crafting. Here is a link to the article from the Woolery newsletter: https://thewooleryguy.wordpress.com/author/thewooleryguy/

In late August or early September we will have a special meeting addressing any questions you may have on finishing, pricing, and what to do when something goes wrong! Watch for date and details.

Take-In for the sale will happen around the third week in October, the exact dates/days will be announced later. Your items should be ‘sale’ ready when presented for take-in.

Enjoy creating and have fiber fun.

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**Mc CURLEY FUND RAISING DRIVE**

**Aug 14, 2018, 8:30 AM**  Meet at McCurley Integrity Honda on Fowler St.,(Columbia Center North)  Move vehicles to Columbia Park

**August 19, 2018, 5:30 PM**  Meet at McCurley Integrity Honda on Fowler St., (Columbia Center N.)  Return vehicles to dealerships.

Nancy Kelly-Girvin is stepping in as drive coordinator for this event. Dorothy is on vacation, weaving, of course, in Navajo country. Please give Nancy all your support. Offer to volunteer to help with the ‘goodies’.

Anyone age 25 years and older with a current WDL can take part in the drive. Contact Nancy Kelly-Girvin via email, text or phone or via the website by reserving your space on the drives: nancykg3@gmail.com

http://www.desertfiberarts.org/events/mccurley-fund-raise-drive-aug-14-19/
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No, don’t think Craig would like to see that!

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**FIBERS AND BEYOND CONGRESS & SALE OCTOBER 10 - 13**
Key Note Address Warping the Fabric of Time John Mulkarkey Wednesday, October 10th 7pm
Workshops Stained Glass Felted Shawl ans COllage Numo Fleted scarf wit Patti Barker Eco Printing: Contact Dyeing with Plants with Caryn Frienlander Surface design for the Weaver-Warp with Liz Moncrief Ply-Splitting- Braid a Scarf, Tablet Weaving: All Warped Up and Tablet Weaving: Two sided Delights with John Mulkarkey Stitching on Eco-Dyed Fabric with Marilyn Olsen Jansen Art Center Lynden, WA 98264 jansenartcenter.org Annual Show & Sale October 13
Exhibit Sept 6 - November 30

**SHOW YOUR WORK**
I am on a committee that works with the airport to locate art to hang on their walls. I was in charge of the project that gathered artist's sketches that were etched on to the tiles that are on the airport walls and now I am working on the rotating art in 3 different areas in the terminal as well as finding sculptures to place in and around the airport.

The purpose of this email list is to let local artists know when the art in these 3 different areas in the terminal will be rotated, which will be every 12 months. Our committee will then choose 3 new artists from the responses to this email to hang for the next 12 month period. We realize this is a long time but will allow removing and replacing pieces throughout this 12 month period as the artists see fit.

My name is Nancy Thurston, my email address (to which the artists name, email address and medium should be sent) is nancyjthurston@gmail.com and again, I represent the art committee at the Tri-Cities Airport. Our contact person there is Tara White and she can be reached at (509) 380-3182 or at taraw@portofpasco.org. We hope to see Fiber Arts represented!

**CONSIDER SUBMITTING AN ARTICLE TO HANDWOVEN MAGAZINE.**
FOR OUR “MULTIPLES ISSUE”:
Warp once, weave many projects is a time-honored efficiency in the weaving community. We want to see the clever ways you have found to use the same warp in different ways. Learn efficiencies of warping long warps that serve multiple purposes. Handwoven Submission Guidelines for more details.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINES**
Proposals for articles and projects are due on 8/24/2018. Submissions are due on 10/26/2018.
Mail to:
Handwoven Call for Submissions May/June 2019
Interweave
4868 Innovation Drive
Fort Collins, CO 80525
(800) 272-2193
Finally!!!
I learned how to knit socks!
I accept orders ... 😊
DFA Fall Bus Trip to
Oregon Flock and Fiber Festival
Canby, Oregon
September 22, 2018
Depart: 6:00am
From: To Be Announced
Arrive at Canby: 10:00ish
Shop Shop Shop
Leave Canby: 5:00pm
Dinner in the Dalles?
Arrive Tri-Cities: 10:00ish
Members Cost: $40.00 per person
Non-members Cost: $45.00 per person
Advanced seats reserved for DFA Members and Guests until August
15. Then seating will be open to the public. No reservation will be
made without full payment.
All seats must be paid in full before September 10th.
All payments should be made online at
www.desertfiberarts.org/events which will be set up for PayPal
shortly or by check mailed to
DFA OFFF Bus Trip, PO Box 1004, Richland, WA 99352
To book a class contact http://flockandfiberfestival.com/