December 7th 9-1 Knitted lamb ornament class at the Guild House
December 9th 10am to noon DFA Board Meeting at the Guild House
December 9th Noon to 4 Rigid Heddle at the Guild House
December 17th 6-8pm By the Book Knitters at Richland Public Library
December 14th 11am DFA Christmas Party-at Richland Public Library!

By the Book Knitters

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, December 17th from 6:00 – 8:00pm in Conference Room A at the Richland Library. This is our Annual Christmas Cocoa and Tea Party. Bring your favorite Christmas Mug. Optional are cookies to share.

Jan donated hats, scarves, washcloths and other items, the Union Gospel Missions in Pasco. Check out their website for urgent needs https://www.tcugm.org/needs/

We had an interesting discussion about “How do you store your yarn”. There were solutions from Ikea closets to plastic bags to What yarn! – I use it all.

Projects this month

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RIGID HEDDLE STUDY GROUP

December 13, 2nd Monday, 12-4 PM
December 23, 4th Monday No Meeting Merry Christmas and Happy Weaving!!
January 13, 2020, 2nd Monday 12-4 PM Let’s start some new projects!

We’ve made it!! December is here. What a year of learning and exploring new ideas and weave structures. The sharing with each of each other with all we are learning is certainly a rewarding experience.

Hope to see all of you at the DFA Christmas Gathering at the Richland Public Library, December 14th. Check the Event Calendar on the DFA web site.
KNITTED LAMB ORNAMENT
Join me at Desert Fiber Arts on December 7th 9-1 for a lamb knitting ornament party. All supplies for 2 lambs are provided except the knitting needles for $10. Pre registry required. You can register here https://maebefarm.com/index.php/product/lamb-knitting-class/ on y website. You will need to know how to cast on, bind off, knit and pearl. Limit 20 people. When: Saturday December 7th 9-1 Where: Desert Fiber Arts Guild house Supply Cost: $10 What to bring: knitting needles. Either size 3.5 mm if you knit tight or 3 mm if you knit looser.
How to register: Please register at my website (here https://maebefarm.com/index.php/product/lamb-knitting-class/) or email me if you have any questions at Rebeccasromneys@gmail.com
Go home with at least one handmade ornament completed ready to hang on your tree! Or ready to gift.

Please welcome our new DFA Members. We also have a couple of changes at the end of this list
Thank you Carol Kaminsky, DFA Membership Coordinator

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“Comparison kills creativity. There is room for you. No one can do it with your voice, with your experience, with your insight.” Karen Walrond, writer/photographer
DFA FALL SHOW & SALE STATS
Total Sales: $5727
Paid to Artists: $4455
Net to DFA (after fees): $1155
Number of Sellers: 28 (about the same each year)
Number of items brought to sell: 681
Number of items sold: 230 (This is spot on! If our pricing and the quantity of items
to choose from are right, marketers expect about 1/3 of their items to sell.)

TWO COMMISSIONS WORKED!
We experimented with 2 commissions this year to make it worth our artists’ time to volunteer. We asked for help on the DFA Fall Sale anytime over the year. If you donated at least 2 hours of time, you gave DFA a commission of 15% of your sales. If you could not help this year, (some years are like that) you gave DFA 20% of your sales.

All but 1 of our 28 artists were able to help this year. Also, as in years past, several DFA members who did not have items for the Sale still volunteered to make the Sale happen. Thank you for your time and energy to make this sales opportunity for our members!

BASKETRY
The National Basketry Organization newsletter is available at info@nationalbaskety.org A kid's day has been suggested for June as a time to introduce kids to basketry
Hello from Italy, Giuditta Brozzetti weaving studio in Perugia. I have had the privilege to be weaving here this week. Yesterday I was thrilled to be present for the warping of a beam on a jacquard loom, which they only do once every 6 months. The warp was 20/2 cotton. 1800 threads, 86 yards long, (yes, eighty-six yards) and the beam was warped in an hour! On top of that, they tie on the new warp to the old at the back of the loom. I can’t wait to share all the photos. So what does it take to warp 86 yards onto a beam. 3 young good looking strong Italian men, a strong Peruvian Weaver, two women to manage the team, and one foreign observer. Home next week, Ciao

DRAW LOOM UPDATE
Kathy Thorndike is on the loom from tomorrow until Dec. 6th. Julie Davis will be taking over the loom on Dec. 7th or when Kathy is finished. I'll have a calendar posted tomorrow so that we can choose our dates at the studio.
Enjoy!
Marion

PRESIDENT’S WARPED YARNS
Now that we are grateful Thanksgiving is past let us look forward to the success of bringing forth Winter Holidays and Celebrations; Beginning with our Annual Holiday Meeting/Party.

I have become enamored by Carlos and Arne, the creators of 55 Christmas Balls to Knit. They are Scandinavian men who have found their muse in traditional knitting style and have turned it upside down and inside out. When we explore the creative path, we listen to an inner voice that says “what If” and take our work beyond what has come before. We see it at galleries, in magazines, at our show and tell, at the county fair, and the annual sale. The long winter evenings we are experiencing now are perfect to engage in ruminating with your creative spirit and creating something original that makes your heart sing.

Do what you enjoy about preparation for the Winter Holiday Season. I’m planning to eat more desserts, take naps, dream about new what ifs and play with our grandchildren. May the force be with you! Judy

FIBER TIP: Felted Beads

I learned from my granddaughter that all the little snippets of yarn I cut from my weaving and knitting that are wool or Alpaca’ can be wadded up, wetted in hot soapy water, rolled around in my hands and turned into beads that are multi-colored like marbles. COOL! Judy R
Kennewick Community School (KCS) has contacted Desert Fiber Arts head hunting our talented members.

KCS is seeking members who

WOULD BE INTERESTED IN TEACHING a class or two for the upcoming Kennewick Community Schools' season.

Please contact:
Laurie Thompson
509-222-6977
laurie.thompson@ksd.org

Or stop by:
Kennewick School District
1000 W. 4th Ave
Kennewick, WA 99336

FROM THE NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING

Mid-Columbia Library Activities
The Mid-Columbia Library has invited DFA to display their work at the library. Leslie Wiberg, Susan Scheimann, Rene Jasper, Sue De Merchant and Lynn Backe will be setting up the display in January.
On the third Monday of the month 6:30 pm to 8:30 DFA will hold an Each One Teach One meeting at the Mod Columbia meeting room. Bring what you are working on and be open to sharing with the public.
The board also had a request from Jennifer House for someone to take over the Fiber with a Twist event. The Richland Library has been reserved but a leader is needed to make it go.
A new computer compatible with the new printer will be purchased for the treasurer.
An AVL loom has been donated to DFA by Richard Nordgren, husband of Fenya Kashergren (long time member) Marion would appreciate knowing who has keys to the guild house. Send her an email if you have one
## Desert Fiber Arts

**WANT ADS!**

### HOSTESS FOR GENERAL MEETINGS

The Meeting host/hostess shall assist the vice president(s) in setting up the meeting place with chairs, hospitality table (snacks), guest book, and name tags. An allowance of $100 per year will be granted to the host/hostess for meeting munchies.

Chat: with a DFA Board Member  
Email: desertfiberarts@gmail.com  
Call: Marion Halucpzok 509-531-7273

### Mid-Columbia Union Branch Library

Join the Team

Desert Fiber Arts has the entire display case at the Union St. branch of the Mid-Columbia Library for the month of February

Contact Leslie Wiberg if you’d like to be part of the concept, installation and take down team.

Contact: Leslie Wiberg ld_wiberg@hotmail.com

### PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

The Publicity Chairperson shall be responsible for publicizing Desert Fiber Arts sponsored events. This will entail contacting newspapers, e-subscriptions, Public Service Announcements, radio and television stations, etc.

Apply at DFA Board Meeting or:  
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### ARCHIVIST

The Archivist shall create a historical file of Desert Fiber Arts using photographs, newspaper clippings, social media posts, and magazine articles to be kept in book, album or electronic media format. DFA just received a notebook from a past Archivist to use as a spring board.

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### Comi-Cast Farbic

Join the team to create special fabric that DFA has been commissioned to create for a Comi-Con Costume. See article in newsletter for more info

Input is needed for sett, calculations and sampling

Contact Marion Halucpzok: marionmade55@gmail.com

### Team needed to begin preparations for the:

**Desert Fiber Arts Art in the Park 2021 Gallery Show**

Contact DFA Board to help make 2021 the best show ever!  
Contact any board member or email to: desertfiberarts@gmail.com
Annual Holiday Party!

Whether you have been naughty or nice!

Please join us at 11:00 am,
Saturday December 14, 2019

Richland Library
955 Northgate Dr.
Richland, WA 99352

RSVP - So we can have enough food and drinks to go around.
Just email karen.lamar@gmail.com with the word Yes.

Last name ending in
A - K Bring Sides
L - Z Bring Desert

DFA – will have ham, vegan/vegetarian dish and rolls.

Bring a fiber related grift, should be something nice
up to $20.00 or can be something nice from your
stash.
Dear Desert Fiber Arts,

Would any of your members be interested in a project that helps Mexican students in the primary grades through the university? We are asking weavers to send us sturdy, unused hand- or machine-made fabric/remnants. It may be any color/design and should measure at least eighteen inches by forty inches.

The fabric will be sewn into drawstring backpacks (16 inches x 19 inches) and distributed to poor students in Mexico who are being sponsored by Project Amigo [www.projectamigo.org]. This is a charity that supports students from Colima in rural western Mexico so that they can create their own educational opportunities and better their quality of life.

Please go to www.srbrown.info/backpacks for more details about the project.

Thank you.

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