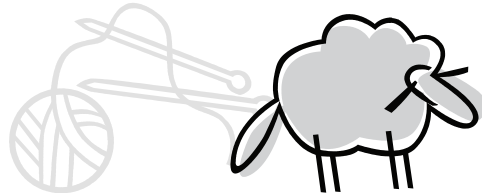


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Basic Brioche - Karen Karwoski

Location: Founders Room

Class Description: Learn a new stitch to enhance your knitting knowledge! Brioche knitting produces a fabric with depth and texture by combining a yarn over knitted together with a slipped stitch. It can be worked in one or multiple colors of yarn and produces a reversible pattern. We will be learning the basics and will start on a scarf to keep you warm this winter!

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

Supplies Needed: At least 400 yards of worsted weight yarn to make your scarf and US size 7 needles. A variegated yarn looks great in a brioche pattern. If you prefer a different weight of yarn, just bring enough yardage for a scarf and appropriate needles.

Homework: None

Fair Isle Hat - Susan Mueller

Location: Founders Room

Class Description: Stay warm this winter with your very own Fair Isle bordered hat. Learn Fair Isle (stranded) circular knitting technique while knitting the border of this hat in class. Finish off the hat on your own.

Skill Level: Intermediate. You should already be able to knit in the round with circular or double point needles.

Supplies Needed: Size 7 - 16-inch circular needle and double point needles, worsted weight yarn, 100g Main Color, 25 g Contrast Color.

Homework: Cast on 84 sts with main color. Place marker to mark beginning of round and join, making sure sts are not twisted. Work a k1, p1 rib for four rounds. Knit one round plain.

Estonian Stitches - Marjorie Bell

Location: Board Room

Class description: Intrigued by texture and ready for a bit more of a challenge? Learn to make the famous "Nupp" stitch and, if time allows, a few more of the stitches Estonia is famous for.

Skill level: Students should be comfortable knitting from charts and know basic stitches used for lace: yo, k2tog, ssk.

Supplies Needed: Smooth, light colored yarn (preferably wool) in either lace, fingering, sport or DK weight. Needles should be very sharp-tipped! This means no blunt bamboo needles. Addi Lace, Knit Picks or Knitter's Pride would all be appropriate. Straights or circulars can be used. Size should be appropriate for the weight of the yarn (i.e., size 2 for lace weight up to size 6 for DK.)

Homework: None

Spiral Hat - Uyvonne Bigham

Location: Board Room

Class Description: Learn to knit a spiral hat designed to accentuate the properties of self-stripping yarns.

Skill Level: Advanced beginner (must know how to cast on and work knit stitch). Also great project for more advanced knitters.

Supplies Needed: Spiral Hat Kit available from A2Z Fibers table. Purchase kit before class. In addition, you will need size US 5 or 6 straight needles (14") or 32-36" circular needle, plus 1 oz. DK weight yarn in solid color.

Material fee: \$15.00, needles not included.

Homework: Using DK yarn, cast on 80 stitches. Work 6 or 7 rows st st, ending with a knit row. Leave stitches live on the needles. Bring to class.

Reversible Cables - Marie Haigh

Location: Ladies Lounge

Class Description: Learn to knit cables with no wrong side! We will cover the two main ways to hide the unsightly back side of a completed cable. Great for scarves and afghans.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner: Cabling experience is helpful but not necessary.

Supplies Needed: 2 cable needles, size 8 knitting needles, smooth light-colored worsted weight yarn

Homework: None

Magic Loop - Jan Watson

Location: Ladies Lounge

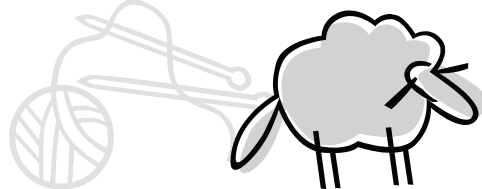
Class Description: Learn an invaluable technique for knitting small in-the-round projects on one long circular needle. This is a great technique that can be used for many different projects where you would normally use double pointed needles or two circular needles (like socks and mittens). Instructions will also be provided for casting on TWO projects (e.g., socks) on the same needle so that you can finish both items at the same time.

Skill level: Advanced beginner, must know how to cast on and knit in the round.

Supplies Needed: Worsted weight yarn and appropriate sized needle (US size #6, #7, #8, or #9) with a LONG (40 inches or longer) flexible cable. (I recommend the Knitpicks.com circular needles - reasonably priced, and very flexible).

Homework: None

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Increases & Decreases - *Cindy Cotter*

Location: Founders Room

Class Description: Learn the basics of adding and subtracting stitches from your work. Learn where and how to use them.

Skill Level: Beginner. Must be able to cast on, knit and purl.

Supplies Needed: A smooth yarn in a light color which allows you to see your stitches. Appropriately sized needles for the yarn you choose.

Homework: Cast on 10 to 20 sts. Knit one row, purl one row. Leave sts live on the needles.

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Remarkable Ravelry - *Marjorie Bell*

Location: Board Room

Class Description: Learn how to make the most out of the best tool there is for knitters and crocheters. Find out what everyone is talking about! A few of the things this free web site can do for you: avoid problem patterns & ill-fitting garments, find thousands of free patterns, get inspired, make friends, get advice, never feel alone again!

Skill level: Anyone with internet access!

Supplies Needed: Please bring an iPad, tablet or laptop to class if you can. We will have free Wi-fi, so we will be exploring away!

Homework: If you don't already have a Ravelry account, please join ahead of time (www.ravelry.com) and make sure you know your username and password.

Knitting Backwards - *Natalie Bischof*

Location: Board Room

Class Description: Learn how to purl without turning your work. Great skill for short rows & entrelac!

Skill Level: Intermediate. Must be able to cast on, knit, purl, read a pattern.

Supplies Needed: A smooth yarn in a color which allows you to see your stitches. Appropriately sized needles for the yarn you choose.

Homework: Cast on 10 to 20 sts.

Make Your Own Magic Ball of Yarn

Diane Kozak

Location: Ladies Lounge

Class Description: Mix it up with your fellow yarn stashers in this fun class where we'll each create our own magic ball of yarn from random lengths and colors of leftover yarns. While the concept of the magic ball isn't new—Kaffe Fassett first made it popular back in the 1980s—it remains a great way to experiment with color and texture. Class includes an easy garter stitch bias scarf pattern and a discussion about various methods of joining yarn and weaving (or not weaving in) all those ends.

Skill Level: All levels

Supplies needed: US Size 9 or 10 needles. Gauge is not crucial for the pattern. Yarn needle. Scissors.

Homework: Choose 8 to 10 odd balls or leftover bits of yarn from your stash to share. Dig around— fun fur, bright acrylics, scratchy wools and space dyed yarns – all will work and add to the beauty of your magic ball.

One Color Slip Stitch Cowl

Jacqueline (Jackie) Brown

Location: Ladies Lounge

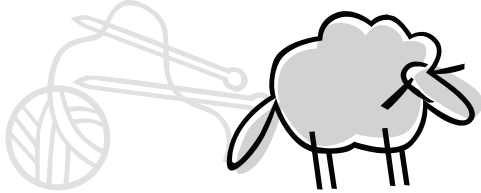
Class Description: Students will learn a basic slip-stitch pattern using one color. This cowl is worked alternating a knit round and a slip-stitch round that creates a soft, textured fabric that is comfortable and insulating, perfect for chilly or downright cold fall and winter days.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner; must be comfortable knitting in the round.

Supplies Needed: Size 11 circular needle, 24 inches long and 100 grams (130 yards) bulky weight yarn. Pattern will be provided.

Homework: Cast on 108 stitches and knit one round of K2, P1 rib.

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Intro to Cables - Colleen Kelly

Location: Founders Room

Class Description: Insert beautiful textures into your knitting projects with cables. Learn a few of the basic cable stitches as well as some twists and turns of more complicated designs.

Skill Level: Beginner (must know how to knit, purl and cast on)

Supplies needed: Size 10 knitting needles, cable needle, smooth light-colored worsted weight yarn

Homework: Cast on 40 stitches and knit 3 rows.

Tricks to Perfect Seaming - Donna Guthrie

Location: Founders Room

Class Description: If you have difficulty with shoulder seams lining up properly, this is the class for you. Learn the tricks to getting a perfect shoulder seam. As an added bonus, learn how to match knitted garter pieces for almost invisible seaming.

Skill Level: All levels

Supplies Needed: 2 yards of a smooth and sturdy worsted weight wool in a different color from the knitted swatches made for class; Seaming (tapestry) needle, small safety pins, scissors

Homework: Using a light color of worsted weight wool and size 8 needles:

1. Knit TWO swatches - each approx. 2" wide x 6" long; Cast on 10 sts. Knit EVERY row until your pieces measure 6" long. Bind off.
2. Knit TWO swatches: Cast on 15 sts. Work in St st (Knit 1 row, Purl 1 row) for 10 rows. Bind off each swatch loosely.
3. Wet or steam block all 4 swatches so edges are not curled. Pin till dry.

Short Row Scarf - Marilyn Rittenhouse

Location: Board Room

Class Description: Learn one method of making short rows and begin an interesting scarf. Also learn some other uses for short rows.

Skill Level: All levels

Supplies needed: 300 yards worsted weight yarn, US size 5 needles.

Homework: Using size 5 needle, cast on 3 sts. Row 1: Knit. Row 2: K1, m1, K to end of row. Repeat Row 2 until there are 19 sts. Leave sts live on the needles.

Judy's Magic Cast-On - Karen Walter

Location: Board Room

Class Description: Want to knit toe-up socks or learn a great way to start a square or circle in the center with no hole? This technique is for you! We will review Magic Loop as part of this class.

Skill Level: Intermediate: must know how to knit in the round.

Supplies needed: Smooth, light-colored worsted weight yarn; size 7 or 8 circular needle at least 29" long; stitch markers

Homework: None

Binding Off - Pat Shorten

Location: Ladies Lounge

Class Description: Let's learn to do a great job of binding off; it is the end of every knitting project. Learn the traditional Applied I-Cord, and (if we have time) Picot Bind-Offs. We will discuss where to use each bind off.

Skill Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Supplies Needed: Light, solid colored, worsted weight yarn. Appropriate sized knitting needles (both double pointed and either straight or circular) and knitting needles one to two sizes larger. Standard knitting supplies: Scissors, markers, crochet hook and tapestry needle.

Homework: Knit three swatches in Stockinette stitch (knit on the right side, purl on the wrong side) as follows: Cast on 20 stitches and knit for 2". Leave these on the needles and do not cast off.

Intro to Intarsia - Beth Daniels

Location: Ladies Lounge

Class Description: Learn the basics of intarsia by knitting a heart on a square. No duplicate stitch for us! We will discuss how to read a graph and how to change colors. Your square can be felted to make a coaster. The pattern is recommended for "beginners to knitting in intarsia, as the felting would hide any uneven tension changes for those unfamiliar to color work." How cool is that? Any mistakes we make will be covered up!

Skill Level: Beginner. Must know how to cast-on, knit and purl
Supplies Needed: Worsted weight feltable wool in three colors and US size 10 needles.

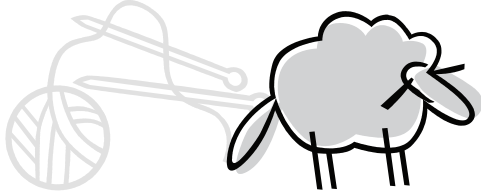
Homework: Download the pattern for felted coasters.

Pattern cost is \$1.99 from KnitPicks:

http://www.knitpicks.com/patterns/Felted_Poker_Coasters_D10432220.html

Following the pattern directions, cast on and knit the first 4 rows with your chosen yarn.

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Two Color Mosaic Stitch Cowl

Janet Kakareka

Location: Board Room

Class Description: This cowl is knit in a mosaic stitch called Florentine Frieze by Barbara Walker. It looks like fair isle but is much easier to work as it is knit with one color each row instead of two colors in a row. The cowl is approx. 12" tall by 25" in circumference.

Skill Level: Intermediate: must know how to cast on, knit, purl, work in the round on a circular needle, bind off.

Supplies Needed: 200 yards of a smooth worsted weight solid color yarn; AND 200 yards of a smooth, strongly contrasting multi-color yarn. (No novelties) US size 8 -24" circular needle, one stitch marker to mark the beginning of the round. Pattern will be provided.

Homework: With your multi-colored yarn, cast on 120 sts. Place a marker at the beginning of your round. Being careful not to twist your stitches, knit one round, and then purl one round. You are ready for class.

Intro to Lace - Joy Jannotti

Location: Board Room

Class Description: This class will introduce you to the magical world of lace knitting. You will learn to knit the standard lace increase, learn how to read a lace chart, learn how to use a "lifeline", learn the importance of blocking lace projects, and begin an easy lace pattern

Skill Level: Beginner (must know how to knit, purl and cast on)

Supplies Needed: Size US size 7 straight needles, one skein of smooth sport weight yarn of your choice

Homework: Cast on 22 stitches and knit two rows

Knit 1, Om 1, and Purl 1!

Hamsa Liberatori

Location: Ladies Lounge

Class Description: Take a break from knitting with a gentle yoga stretch. Sometimes too much knitting can put a strain on hands, wrists, neck, shoulders and back. Yoga is a great diversion that can help prevent and relieve the stress of too much knitting. In this class, you will learn how to ease your neck, shoulders, back, hands and fingers with this gentle yoga designed especially for knitters. All registrants will get a free packet of patterns with yoga inspired knits!

Skill level: Any. No yoga experience necessary.

Supplies Needed: Your body and mind

Homework: None – just a smile!

Beaded Purse - Uyvonne Bigham

Location: Founders Room

Class Description: Learn to knit a circular beaded purse. The design is simple, but looks complex and is totally useful.

Skill Level: Advanced beginner (must know how to cast on and work a knit stitch). More advanced knitters will find this project a delight to work and a pleasant addiction.

Supplies Needed: Beaded Purse Kit available from A2Z Fibers table includes knitting needles.

Material fee: \$25.00

Homework: Purchase kit early from vendor at the show so that you will be able to string beads before class. This is very **IMPORTANT** because it takes more time to string beads than to knit bag!