

Featured Speakers



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2010 Knit In

The Gathering Place
715 Campus Street
Milton, Wisconsin

Friday, February 5
Saturday, February 6

Design Challenge

Bring your mittens to registration Saturday morning. Vote for your favorites at the Knit In and choose the winners.

The 2010 challenge: Mittens You Can Join the Fun! Here's how it works: Since we are a knitting guild the mittens must be first knitted but then the sky is the limit! They can be multi-colored, include beads & buttons, ribbons & roses - you name it. Your \$5 entry fee goes toward the prize. (Pay at the registration table.)

The artistic folks that enter the Design Challenge will show off their creations and may even win a prize – you decide! Attendees at the Knit In choose the winners. Use the ballot boxes next to the display items to vote for the winner in each of three categories - "People's Choice," "Best Technique" and "Most Creative Design."

We encourage all entrants to enter their mittens in the State Fair in the hope that they will win our Guild's Blue Ribbon.



Donna Druchunas

Like many of us, Donna grew up learning numerous different crafts from her mother and grandmothers including knitting, crochet, rug-hooking, embroidery, and sewing. After a 25-year vacation from crafts, when she started knitting again, it became an overwhelming obsession. Since she moved to Colorado where the weather is cold enough to wear wool, she's learned to spin and dye and has knitted a cupboard full of wool sweaters.

Author of five books and countless articles since 1988, Donna is not only a fiber artist and writer; she has 15 years experience in business and technical writing so you know her materials are precise. Before returning to knitting, Donna spent almost 20 years in the corporate world as a writer, designer, and creative services manager. During that time, she wrote and designed marketing materials, training courses and technical manuals for many types of hardware and software products. After all that time, she rebelled and left her cubicle behind to combine an interest in knitting with her skill at writing easy-to-follow instructions.

Her most recent book is *Kitty Knits* (Martingale & Co.) She has also authored *Ethnic Knitting Discovery* and *Ethnic Knitting Exploration*, about designing your own sweaters using ethnic knitting techniques from around the world, as well as *Arctic Lace* and *The Knitted Rug*.

Donna's designs and articles have been featured in Family Circle Easy Knitting, Knitters, Piecework, Interweave Knits, Fibre Focus, and INKnitters magazines. Donna also designs patterns for several yarn companies. You can even find her patterns on Ravelry.

Born in New York City, but today living at the foothills of the Colorado Rocky Mountains with her husband and two cats, who are very helpful when it comes to testing new knitting designs.

Carol H. Rhoades

Carol moved from Austin, Texas to Madison two years ago. She is so happy that she can finally wear the woolens she has knitted over the years. Carol is the Technical Editor of and a frequent contributor of designs and technical articles to Spin-Off magazine. She has also translated many Scandinavian knitting books into English. Carol has studied and researched traditional knitting in Scandinavia and teaches classes around the U.S. and abroad.

Elizabeth Prose

Elizabeth knits, spins, and lives in Madison, WI. Interesting garment construction and exploring new ways to manipulate the knitted stitch and its fabric fascinate her. She shares her passion for the fiber arts at Lakeside Fibers. Elizabeth teaches a wide range of knitting and crochet classes.

Knit In Lodging, Directions, and Parking

LODGING: The Janesville area has several hotels near the Gathering Place. The Hampton Inn has reserved a block of rooms at a special rate for the Knit In. Please call (608) 754-4900 and mention the Janesville Area Knitting Guild Knit-In when making your reservations.

DIRECTIONS: From I-90 (near Janesville) Exit Hwy26 (Exit# 171A-B) to Milton
On Hwy 26 (& the Hampton Inn) go 4 miles NE
Turn left at E Saint Mary Street (by the Burger King)
Turn right at Campus Street, go 2 blocks. The Gathering Place – 715 Campus Street – will be on your right.

PARKING: Free parking is available in the lot to the east and on the surrounding streets. The Gathering Place is a non-smoking facility.

3:00 PM **Check-in available at Hampton Inn, Janesville**

6:00 – 9:00 PM **Pizza, Salads, Dessert, The Gathering Place**

This is your opportunity to renew friendships and strike up new ones; learn from others who love to knit and welcome the opportunity to spend an evening talking to other “addicts” about their craft. See projects and show your work to others who appreciate and understand the effort that has gone into it. Eat, drink, and be merry!

7:00 – 8:00 PM **Donna Druchunas – Knitting In Lithuania**

Join Donna for a lecture and slide show about her research about knitting in Lithuania. Donna has made several trips to this country, rich in knitting traditions. Check out her article in the Winter, 2009 issue of "Spin-Off" magazine.

Knit In – Saturday, February 6

8:00 AM **Registration & Refreshments**

8:00 AM **Vendors Open**

8:30 – 11:30 **Concurrent Morning Sessions**

Complete Class Descriptions and Information are on the enclosed Class Schedule.

Lace 1-2-3

Donna Druchunas – Main Room

Skill Level: Advanced-beginner to intermediate knitter.

“For years I tried to learn how to knit lace, and was frustrated. I finally gave up because I wanted to have fun knitting. I was able to knit cables, fair isle, intarsia, and even entrelac, but lace stymied me. Working from charts, understanding decreases, and knitting with worsted-weight yarn and larger needles gave me the confidence and practice I needed to ease into lace knitting. If I learned how to knit lace after years of frustration, I know other knitters can, too!”

Fabulous Finishing

Elizabeth Prose - Library

Skill level: Advanced Beginner

This class will guide you through the steps to finish a hand-knit garment. You will learn how to seam different edges, pick up stitches, weave in ends, & block a garment. Learn how planning your finishing begins before you even cast on a stitch.

Victorian Lace

Carol Rhoades – Sun Room

Skill level: Intermediate knitting skills (cast on/bind off, knit, purl, simple decreases)

Victorian ladies were quite accomplished at their needlework and produced all manner of objects, from practical to fanciful. This workshop introduces you to Victorian lace knitting. You will learn how to interpret patterns that were often vague. A glossary defining many 19th century yarns and terms & a knitting bibliography are provided.

Noon – 1:00 **Luncheon**

12:45 – 1:15 **Book Signing with Donna Druchunas**

1:30 – 4:30 **Afternoon Sessions**

Explore Japanese Knitting

Donna Druchunas – Main Room

Japanese knitting books are not impossible to use - with a cheat sheet of translations, any adventurous knitter can enter the world of Japanese knitting. Learn how to read Japanese patterns, focusing on the charts and schematics.

Buttonholes and I-cord Basics

Elizabeth Prose – Library

Level: Skill level: Advanced Beginner

In this class, you will learn several ways to make buttonholes and how to choose the right one for the job. Also, we will explore how I-cord can give your knitting a tidy finished edge.

Beaded Wrist Warmers

Carol Rhoades – Sun Room

In this workshop, you will learn the basics of knitting with beads. Beaded wrist warmers were once popular in nineteenth-century Scandinavia as part of colorful folk costumes. They've recently made a comeback and are even being knitted by Norwegian skateboarding boys.

2010 Knit In Registration Form

The Gathering Place – 715 Campus Street, Milton, Wisconsin 53563

Contact Information:

Please photocopy this form for more than one attendee; one form per envelope.

This form, and other information, is also available at www.JAKG.org

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Daytime Telephone (____) _____

Email Address _____

(Note: We prefer to confirm registration via email.

Otherwise be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)

Special diet or other accommodations _____



CLASS CHOICES: Please indicate your first and second choices.

Morning

Afternoon

_____ Lace 1-2-3

_____ Explore Japanese Knitting

_____ Fabulous Finishing

_____ Buttonholes and I-cord Basics

_____ Victorian Lace

_____ Beaded Wristwarmers

Friday Pizza Party incl. session with Donna Druchunas (\$15) _____

1. Full day of two classes, lunch, knitting, and shopping (\$65) _____

-OR-

2. Full day with **one** class, lunch, knitting, and shopping (\$40) _____

-OR-

3. Full day of knitting, shopping and lunch - no classes (\$15) _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Drop in shopping 1:00-4:00 (under 18 yrs old - shop free!) - \$5 donation

Make check payable to "JAKG" Registration is limited to Guild members until January 1, 2009. Non-member registration will be processed after January 1. Postmarks will determine when registration arrives. Refunds will be issued if your registration is cancelled before January 30, 2009. No refunds after January 30. We reserve the right to substitute instructors should the need arise.

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...and so much more!

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Pizza Party

Donna Druchunas: Research, Travel &
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Sessions

Vendors

Luncheon

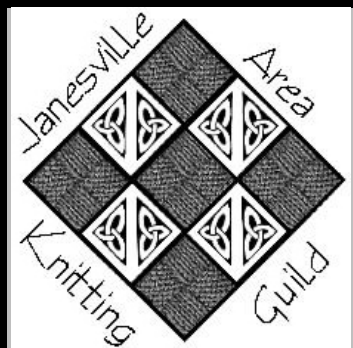
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