

Needlework Guild of Minnesota
Annual meeting with a lecture and 2 classes taught by Dawn Donnelly

Annual meeting, brunch and lecture

April 27, 2024, 10:00-12:00

Hilton Garden Inn, 1050 Gramsie Rd, Shoreview

Our agenda includes the election of officers, and updates on news from the Guild, followed by a presentation, "What Inspires Us?" from Dawn Donnelly. She writes: "Have you wondered where a needlework teacher gets their ideas, what inspires them? Then this is the lecture for you. It will give you some small insight into what teachers may be thinking when they come up with that design that seems to tell a story."

The cost is \$40 per person, which includes brunch and the presentation.

Half-day class, April 27, 1:00-4:30, Hilton Garden Inn – "Beach Treasures"

"Si Quaeris Peninsulam Amoenam Circumspice" is the state motto for Michigan. It means, if you seek a pleasant peninsula, look around you. If you've ever been to the Great Lake State, you would agree.

"Beach Treasures" contains some beautiful findings from the beach. After transferring the base lines onto the linen, the student will bring the findings to life using Stem Stitch, Needleweaving, Eyelet, Buttonhole Rings, French Knot, Feather, Split and Chain. Beads are included for an extra touch. In addition, the student will learn how to attach seashells, in a variety of ways, to the ground fabric.

This is a ½-day class, kit cost is approximately \$55.00 and skill level is Intermediate.

Design size is 3" x 2". Student provides usual stitching supplies and necessary materials.

Student to bring:

Since it's a half day class, the supplies are a bit different:

Stretcher bars 6" x 8" (and tacks) - no scroll frame

Disappearing ink pen

Usual stitching supplies

Magnifier and light if needed

Extra needles: #22, #24, #26 Tapestry (just in case)

These events have been generously supported by funds from the Sue Tesmer fund, and by the special rental rates by event management supporting community crafting groups.

“Treasures from the Great Lakes”

Sunday and Monday, April 28-29, Hilton Garden Inn, Shoreview

Class 9:00-4:00 with an hour provided for lunch

The Great Lakes shoreline is decorated with a variety of stones, driftwood and shells, which can be used to create a beautiful beach piece. The student will select their focal piece; a Petoskey stone, as well as other items to make the piece their own.

The extra touches used to complete the design will include the following stitches: Stem Stitch, pulled Backstitch, Long Arm French Knot, Ribbed Spider's Web, Needleweaving, Eyelet, Buttonhole Rings, French Knot, Feather, and Chain. In addition, the student will learn how to attach the items to the ground fabric, create a Fake Bullion and how to make a shell.

Design size: 6" x 9"

Student to bring:

- Stretcher bars 10" x 13" (and tacks) - no scroll frame
- Colored pencils – Black, green, blue, pink
- Tweezers
- Scissors for cutting paper
- Light blue and white sewing thread
- Soft padding for transportation home
- Additional needles: #22, #26 Tapestry, #24 Chenille, beading (just in case)
- Small beading mat (optional)
- Frame weight or stand for hands free stitching

Class length: 2 days

Kit cost: \$100.00. Class fee approximately \$65. This includes classroom rental and a snack each day. (Once we know how many students are enrolled, we will contact the students to discuss lunch options. For now, plan on bringing your lunch.). Total \$165.

Skill level: Intermediate.

A big THANK YOU TO the **Sue Tesmer Fund**, which is generously covering all of the teacher's fees and traveler's costs. Students/attendees are only paying for their own meals and the room rental.

An equally big THANK YOU to the event management of the **Hilton Garden Inn** which has greatly reduced room rental fee to support community crafting groups.