

Invitation to the “East meets West -- Fiber in the Mountains Retreat”

The Rogue Valley Handweavers Guild and Klamath Spinners and Weavers Guild have collaborated with ANWG, Green Springs Inn, and instructors Suzie Liles and Janis Thompson to bring you a weekend of inspirational instruction in weaving or dyeing and comradery! The attached forms include the Retreat Registration Form and information guide, volunteer sign-up sheets for committees, and a map of Green Springs Inn & Cabins.

This 2-day retreat will not only provide the opportunity to develop new weaving or dyeing skills but also to create new friendships, share in our collective knowledge and passion for fiber arts and “Bridge the Cascades” as we work and play with members of other guilds.

We are so excited to have the opportunity to bring this retreat to you at the affordable price of \$200.00. Because of the generosity of Suzie, Janis and Green Springs Inn, who were willing to give us price breaks, the grants from ANWG and support from our two guilds which provided a cost reduction through the use of scholarship funds, the cost of the retreat has been substantially reduced. Without all of this support, the retreat would easily cost twice as much. Please remember, this special pricing is only available until May 1st when we will open the retreat to other guilds.

Because this is a retreat, everything is included in the price -- 1 night's lodging, 4 meals, 2 days of instruction, coffee and snacks both days, the Saturday evening program and hopefully, vendors. Participants have a choice of accommodations at Green Springs Inn, so please go to the website listed on the information sheet to view the various options. Rooms will be shared by 2 people, while cabins will be shared by 4 - 5 people. Please let us know who you would like as your roommate(s). Reservations will be made on a first come basis, so we suggest you register early. There is also the option of staying Friday night -- please indicate on your registration form if you plan to come to GSI Friday evening. There will be a BYO gathering Friday evening at Soda Mountain Cabin for all staying over Friday.

There has been a great deal of interest in the dyeing class. Space is limited to 14. The weaving class can accommodate 16 - 18. Looms can be any type from rigid heddle to 8-shaft, floor or table loom. If a loom is needed for the class, please contact Betsy Brauer as soon as possible. Looms will need to be brought to class warped, per Suzie's forthcoming instructions. This is a large project and your help is needed for various assignments. Please look over the volunteer sign-up sheet attached to see where you can assist. If you are interested in being a vendor, please sign up. The cutoff for determining vendor participation will be May 1st.

This retreat and the workshops is an opportunity not to be missed and at a cost not likely to be seen again. Classes will fill quickly, so register early to reserve your place by sending the registration form and check to Kathy Nelson.

Questions -- Please contact Kamie or Kathy at the numbers listed on the information sheet or Leanne at akgonerogue@gmail.com, 541-708-0887.

Thanks to your participation the weekend of September 17 & 18 is sure to be full of fun activities, lots of learning, good food and new friendships.

Your Retreat Committee,
Kamie Liston, Leanne Krieger and Kathy Nelson