

Portland Handweavers Guild
WeGO Report for the period October 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021

Memberships: PHG memberships has 156 active members and 23 life members.

2020-21 Officers:

Officers for the PHG fiscal year 7/1/20-6/30/21: Chris Rossi, President; Lynne Fitzsimmons, Secretary; Lynnette Peterson, Treasurer.

Sales:

The 2021 Gathering of the Guilds will be a virtual event this year, April 30-May 2. The event expects to return to the Oregon Convention Center, May 6-8, 2022. No activity is underway on a fall sale.

Outreach and Demonstrations: Activities on hold due to the pandemic but plan to return this summer at local outdoor farmers' markets and this fall, subject to public health requirements.

Website: www.portlandhandweaversguild.org

Retreat: PHG's annual spring retreat was canceled due to the pandemic.

2020-21 Programs and Workshops (October through September):

Day and evening programs are the second Thursday of the month. Due to the pandemic, PHG transitioned from in-person to Zoom meetings and invited other guilds to participate. Since the Zoom meetings are recorded, only the evening program is a live (albeit virtual) event.

October: Chloë Hight, Botanical Dyes Using Locally Gleaned Plant Material

November: Francisco Bautista, Zapotec Weaving in the Pacific Northwest

December: Sarah Jackson, One Thread at a Time

January: Robyn Spady, Weave Structures for Color and Texture

February: Melissa Weaver Dunning, L'Amour de Maman: Acadian Weaving

March: Marilyn Romatka, Tablet Weaving

In-person workshops were also canceled, but resume via Zoom starting in April, with Jennifer Moore's Double-Weave Rainbow (also doing the April program).

Additional Impacts of Pandemic:

The Multnomah Art Center (MAC), which is PHG's home, has been closed due to the pandemic. PHG still cannot host its meetings there and has had only limited access to the storage closet where its rental equipment and library are housed. MAC expects to resume its summer recreation program, and it is hoped the facility will re-open in the fall.

Name Tags for the ANWG 2021 Conference: On hold due to the pandemic.