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Words of Wisdom

Whatever you're meant to do, do it now. The conditions are always impossible. Doris Lessing

OOTB Program Lineup 2016/17

August 20, Meeting: Bring in a piece or up to 3 pieces that were inspired by a trip. Be ready to share with the group what you loved about the trip and in particular what inspired you to make this piece (these pieces).

September 17, Workshop. Nuno Felting Workshop with Wendo Van Essen
Held at Kitchissippi United Church
Time probably 10:00-1:00pm but not yet decided.
Cost \$60.00.
Supply fee of \$30.00 to be paid to Wendo.
Wendo will supply nice coloured silk scarves to use and some other needed supplies.

September 17, Meeting: Welcome new members and explain OOTB activities. Fibre Fling slide show.

October 15, Meeting. Presentation and trunk show by indigenous artist/beader Naomi Smith.

October 22, Playdate. Linda DeVerno, wool appliques.

November 19, Meeting. Presentation and trunk show by Elaine Quehl.

November 26, Playdate: Christine Johnson, to be finalized.

December 17, Meeting. Bring in your Christmas inspired works to share with the group.

January 21, Meeting: Antiques: Bring in your first or at least oldest piece of fibre art to show and talk about.

January 28, Playdate. Janet Tulloch, wet felting.

February 18, Meeting: Fibre Fling instructions.

March 18, Meeting: Pat Hardie and Connie ten Bruggenkate will tell us a bit about how to do Snow Dyeing accompanied by some slides of the process and examples of final results.

March 25, 2019, Playdate: to be finalized

April 15, Meeting: Francis Taylor will treat us to a talk and trunk show of her Wearable Art.

April 22, 2019, Playdate: to be finalized

May 20, Meeting: Ontario artist Bridget O'Flaherty will give a talk and trunk show entitled "My Journey as an Artist".

May 27, 2019, Playdate: Edwina Sutherland, doll making. <http://edwinasutherland.blogspot.com>

June 17, Meeting: Artist, Bethany Garner, will give a talk and trunk show entitled "My Journey to Art Quilts".

Nuno Felting Workshop

With Wendo Van Essen

When: Monday, September 17, 2018 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Where: Kitchissippi United Church
Cost: \$60.00
Supply Fee: \$30.00 payable directly to Wendo on the day of the Workshop.

NOTES:

For info on registering please email Cheryl.brooks50@yahoo.ca
There is a limit of 12 participants for the Workshop so register soon!!

Playdates

Three playdates are planned for each session at a cost of \$10 per playdate or \$25 when you register for a full session. The new hours this year will be 10:00-4:00. Registration is now open for session1 register at a

meeting or by contacting Lynn Keeler at 614 224-9472 or anottawagirl@yahoo.ca

Session 1

Monday October 22/18 Linda DeVerno, wool appliqués.
Monday November 26/18 Christine Johnson, Art Journaling – Explorations in the creative process.
Monday January 28/19 Janet Tulloch, wet felting.

Session 2

Monday March 25/19 to be finalized.
Monday April 22/19 to be finalized.
Monday May 27/19 Edwina Sutherland, doll making. [Http://edwinasutherland.blogspot.com](http://edwinasutherland.blogspot.com)

Summer Fibrations:

OOTB at the Mississippi Valley Textile Museum

The SUMMER COLOURS display and sign-up sheets will be at our next meeting in case you missed the June and July meetings. Details about this section of the exhibition are in the OOTB web site. For the Grande Impressions, bright green is the only one not yet spoken for. There is still lots of opportunity for most of the Mini Impressions colours. The small size is an excellent opportunity to try a new technique or simply participate in this exciting event without too much of a time commitment. Remember, you can sign up for more than one Mini Impression colour. Also remember, your design does not have to have a summer theme. Bring your questions on Aug. 20!

OOTB Website

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Focus on Fibre Links
This month I've been checking out artists that create sculptures using fibre.

Isobel Currie is British artist and a member of the 62 Group of Textile Artists. She uses transparent and translucent supporting materials for threads that are viewed from different angles to reveal three-dimensional shapes of stitches, and create changing perspectives. My favourite was the Aurora.

Norma Minkowitz sculptures are unabashedly complicated; she designs and devises complex pathways in fiber using the traditional and long sidelined technique of crocheting. This is not crocheting that ends up as an ornamental doily or antimacassar. By stiffening the fibers, she is able to produce intricate knots and loops that hold and support each other to create translucent air-filled three-dimensional forms. (Quote from Google Books)

Agnes Sebyeau, a French artist, crochets her pieces in a totally different way. She has created many, many varied pieces, some of which are quite large. Most of the information I found about her was poorly (Google) translated - strange and confusing result - but the images are very interesting.

Pam de Groot is an Australian fibre artist who works predominately with wool, silk and other natural fibres, combining methods of felting, embroidery and dyeing to create art works, garments and accessories. Her website and blog have some very interesting sculptures and costumes. You can also find many more images by searching online.

Find out more about these sites via the OOTB Resource page - <http://www.out-of-the-box.org/resources.html>

MaryAnne

November Stittsville Library Show

OOTB will have a small show again at the Stittsville Library for the month of November.

The theme this year is "Favourite Quote". You can interpret this however you like. It could be a line from a song. It could be a proverb. It could be something said by someone you admire. Pieces can be any size as long as no side is longer than 24 inches. And you can use any technique as long as there is some fibre included. Please have your piece ready to hang with wire if it is hard mounted or a rod if it is soft mounted. No alligator clips please because they don't hang well at the library. Three dimensional pieces are also a possibility because we have a glass display case. Pieces are to be brought to the October OOTB meeting. I will send out an email in October asking for information for the label cards to be put on your work. Preparing something for this show is a nice way to practise for a larger show. Please email me if you haven't already to let me know if you're making something for the show. In fact you may already have something made that would fit the theme. I'm looking forward to seeing what we make this year!

Connie ten Bruggenkate, connietb@sympatico.ca

ONN

Check out the latest ONN Newsletter under the members only section of the OOTB Web site.

Sharon Collins

Sharon Collins, who gave a trunk show presentation to OOTB last year will be one of three artists in an exhibition

"In My World" at the Foyer Gallery in the Nepean Sportsplex, August 7th to 26th.

World of Threads Festival

Venue:

Queen Elizabeth Park Community and Cultural Centre
2302 Bridge Road, Oakville, Ontario, Canada.

Dates:

Saturday, 13 October 2018 to Sunday, 25 November 2018

Hours:

Monday to Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Sunday 12 noon to 5:00 pm

Opening Reception:

Saturday, 20 October, 2018 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

Festival 2018 will run for 6 weeks and exhibits in the Corridor Galleries and Display Area Gallery will remain up for 3 months, (to end Dec. 31, 2018) coming down in Jan. 2019.

Fibrefest

OOTB will have an **exhibit** table at the Almonte Fibrefest event happening on September 8th and 9th. Thank you to those who have already offered to help out with the event. We are still looking for a couple more members to volunteer their time for the set-up between 1:00 and 4:00 pm on Friday, September 7th and take down on Sunday September 9th between 4:00 and 5:00 pm. We also need a few more offers of artwork from members to display as examples of our creativity and many talents! Please contact Kathy Lajeunesse at kathygregandbrian@sympatico.ca or Nancy Scott at opus1300@gmail.com if you are available and willing to help.

Be sure to visit Out of the Box members' booths: Ancum Studio (Janet Tulloch) & Juanita Sauve (shared) and Wendo VanEssen's

Fall 2018 Felting Workshops

With Janet Tulloch

I have Fall felting workshops coming up at the downtown and Orleans campuses of the Ottawa School of Art:

Colorful cowls or Sassy Scarves OSA-O Sept 29 9:30-4:30

\$140 materials included

Intro to Fibre art

OSA-D Oct. 28 9:30-4:00
\$120 + \$20 materials fee.

Cozy cowl: wearable art I
OSA-D Nov 4 9:30- 4:00pm
\$120 + \$20 materials fee

Cozy cowl: wearable art II
OSA-D Nov 18 9:30-4:00pm
\$120 + \$20 materials fee

OSA-O = Ottawa School of Art - Orleans Campus

OSA-D = Ottawa School of Art - Downtown Campus

Free scraps for a donation to Harmony House

Free scraps of material at August 20th meeting!

My mother-in-law Erika Brockmann was trained as a dress-maker in Germany and sewed for over 60 years. Her favorite thing to sew was children's clothing, which was a good thing because, along with her husband Tony, she raised 12 kids and later had 31 grandchildren. So, let's just say she had lots of children to practice on. When my two boys were little, it was not unusual for Erika to sew pajamas for all the little grandchildren at Christmas – some 20 to 30 pairs! And if you can imagine how busy a mother of twelve children could be – once her youngest was in school, she still had time to teach at the local community college in London, Ontario. Erika taught knitting and weaving in the evenings for years. What an inspiration of skill, creativity and love.

My husband's family recently cleaned out their mother's sewing cupboard. They were planning to bring all the material to St. Vincent to Paul and I asked if I could bring it instead to our OOTB group. On Monday, August 20th, I will be bringing 4 to 5 large bags of scrap material to the meeting for members to look through and take away for free. If you would like to take away some fabric, please bring a reusable bag. I will also bring whatever plastic bags I can muster up.

I will be making a donation to a local women's shelter in honour of Erika who is no longer sewing, but still knitting. If you would like to contribute to the donation, please bring a modest amount of money with you which I will put towards the donation to Harmony House

Contact me at kathygregandbrian@sympatico.ca if you have any questions.

Landscape Thread Painting By Numbers

We need your help! We know you are as excited as we are for this upcoming workshop, and we share in your disappointment when workshops get cancelled... But unfortunately we haven't quite met our minimum number of students yet! Do you have friends who might like to sign up to join you for Landscape Thread Painting By Numbers? Please encourage them to sign up by the end of this week- that's our deadline for when we have to cancel.

Landscape Thread Painting By Numbers

When: 09 Sep 2018 10:00 AM, EDT

Where: Maki House, 19 Leeming Drive, Nepean

EVENT DETAILS:

Description:

Capture the serenity of a lake scene and the beauty of a pine on the shore. The design work is done for you so you don't have to be able to draw but you can add your own flare! Learn shading and detail work with thread painting. This class is for a novice+ thread painter.

Instructor: Bridget O'Flaherty

Participant Level: Novice - experience and comfortable with sewing machine and free motion work

Supply Fee: Landscape Thread Paint by Numbers Pattern \$8 to be paid in class by cash or credit.

Supply List and Homework: [click here](#)

Spaces: min 8 / max 16

Thanks for registering and we are looking forward to seeing you!

Best regards,

OVQG Workshops Team

Shenkman Exhibit

Some photos to share of the OOTB exhibit at the Shenkma. Nice job everyone.



Serger For Sale

White Superlock 2000, with foot pedal, tools and accessories, manual and workbook. Used once in a class. \$200.00

Phone Nancy Davies (613)746-0870

Planning Committee

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