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Words of Wisdom

"Success is dangerous. One begins to copy oneself, and to copy oneself is more dangerous than to copy others."
Pablo Picasso

Program Lineup 2020

Please remember shoes or slippers for our meetings

Note: No Meeting in December

January 20, 2020, Meeting: Demo from Frances Taylor

January 27, 2020. Playdate: Loree Tannett. Getting to know your sewing machine.

February 17, 2020, Meeting: Fibre Fling Instructions

March 16, 2020, Meeting: Anne Marie Deslaunier

March 23, 2020, Playdate: A day to play, learn, share and enjoy the day

April 3-4, 2020, Fibre Fling

April 20, 2020, Meeting: TBD

May 18, 2020, Meeting: Demo Wendo

May 25, 2020, Playdate: Juanita Sauvé. "the medium is the message"

June 15, 2020, Meeting: 1st Annual Solstice Exchange

July 20, 2020, Meeting: BAZAAR Night

August 17, 2020, Meeting: TBD

From the Education Committee

2020 is just around the corner...how is your art form coming along for the 2020 Challenge to be revealed in June? 2020 is a leap year, the Year of Rat in the Chinese calendar and the United Nations declared 2020 the International Year of Plant Health, thus capping off the 'Decade of Biodiversity. The Challenge, if you recall, is to:

- interpret and represent the year 2020 in a way that either touches on the above two themes or in a way that is -meaningful to you
- a 12x12 inches (30x30 cm) piece using any fibre medium
- deadline is June 15, 2020 when pieces will be presented and displayed at the regular OOTB meeting.

And for our first meeting of the year on January 20, 2020, Frances Taylor will be doing a demo on how to use the BigKick machine for dye cuts.

Seasons Greetings.

Since there is no meeting in December whereby our best wishes for the season can be expressed in person, the Planning Committee wants to wish everyone all the best of the season. May you all enjoy special times with your family and friends. -- Your Planning



Playdates

PLAYDATES

Three playdates are planned for each session at a cost of \$10 per playdate or \$25 when you register for a full session. Members of OOTB are welcome. The Playdates are held at Kitchissippi United Church on Island Park Drive. The day runs from 10am to about 4pm. Registration is now open, you can register at a meeting or by contacting Lynn Keeler anottawagirl@yahoo.ca A playdate brings members together to learn, share, encourage and inspire. Spending a day with other fibre artist is a great way for members to get to know fellow fibre artists. I will be

available to start registration at November's meeting. Any questions please contact.

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Winter/Spring Session 2020

Monday, January 27, 2020. Loree Tannett. **GETTING TO KNOW YOUR SEWING MACHINE.**

Do you use your machine to it's fullest ability? Have you studied your manual? Do you use all the options your machine is capable of? Loree will take us through her maintenance procedure. We will learn sewing tips, ideas, test every feature on our machine and get some projects done. At the end of the day we'll have a stronger friendship with our machines.

Monday, March 23, 2020. **AN OPEN PLAYDATE TO PLAY, LEARN AND SHARE.**

Do you sometimes just need a day away to enjoying creating? We will have a relaxing day, creating, learning, sharing and working on our art. Bring anything fibre art you are working on, planning, or never seem to get finished. Take advantage of the large space and tables

Monday, May 25, 2020. Juanita Sauvé. **"THE MEDIUM IS THE MESSAGE"**

Express yourself with free form stitching on hoops. Juanita will bring samples of her work, share how she uses art as a protest and show us ways to finish our hoops for hanging.

OOTB Website Focus

The Bacton Altar Cloth

The Bacton Altar Cloth is a rare survival of Elizabethan dress worn by Elizabeth 1 discovered in England.

The CBC Radio interview by Carol Off from *As It Happens* is with Eleri Lynn who was researching for her book, *Tudor Fashion*, when she came across the image of an altar cloth in Herefordshire, England, four years ago. The website provides links to more information about the discovery.

The Hampton Court Palace site provides historical information about the discovery, analysis of the fabrics, threads and embroidery, conservation efforts and a YouTube videos about the process. If you click on the video after it starts you will get more video links about historical royal clothing including one about the reproduction of a gown worn in a portrait on display at Hampton Court Palace.

The link for this page can be found on the OOTB Resource page

<http://www.out-of-the-box.org/resources.htm> |

MaryAnne
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Recycled and Reused...

At our most recent Play Date I brought my working "tray" of supplies that I use when I am sewing my "pieces". (That's another story) I got a lot of interest from the other members and a request to share my "secret tray". Well it isn't really a unique tool designed specifically for those who work with embroidery or fabric. It is an re-invented use for a previous neglected item I had lying around the house that I flipped over and found a super-duper way to story, carry around and use beside me when I am stitching. Here's the secret... but first a photo of my set up to entice you.



The crevices on the underside of the lap top desk hold thread and pins beautifully while the puffy parts are fuzzy enough to hold scraps of material, needles with thread etc.



In this Detail you can see a small little crevasse in the bottom left side that is perfect for holding a felt tip marker or two. Note my glasses case rides on top of the row of

threads on the right when I move the tray away for the night. You will also notice my “recycled” use of a cut down paper coffee cup to store those annoying little threads that turn up everywhere when you are working on a frayed edge appliqué.

The original source for this padded lap top “desk” is Michael’s (see below) Do I hear you clipping a coupon for Michael’s???

In Store Only

★★★★★ 5 out of 5 stars. [Read reviews for Assorted Lap Desk With Cushion By Creatology™](#)

[5.0](#)

\$14.99

Garrie Bea

Help the Communication Committee

The COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE is looking for a few volunteers to help with building and maintaining the Contact List. The task is VERY EASY and METHODICAL, you can work on it when it is most convenient for you and at your own pace. Basically, we need people who can search for various type of contacts (i.e.: suppliers, other guilds or art groups, Art Schools) in the Ottawa and Gatineau area but also in other key places. For each of those contacts, we need basic info (i.e.: name, address, email, website address, how to contact them, etc.).

We are trying to gear up with this before we start advertising FIBRE FLING so we need all the help we can find. **Should you be interested, please let us know by sending an email to: lorraine.lacroix613@gmail.com**

The COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE also needs a volunteer to contact suppliers to do small article for the Newsletter and ask for a discount for our members. A list of suppliers would be provided. As the supplier would probably be to be thrilled to have their profile featured in a Newsletter that is seen by more than 90 people every month, I would not be surprised if they would volunteer to provide the text! We already have a few suppliers providing us with 10% rebate for the members so using this argument would probably help to get a positive answer!

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Sewing Machine Give Away

A friend of Edwina Sutherland would like to give this machine away. It’s a classic old Singer. She lives in Alta Vista. You can see her email below.

From: Linda Huehn lhuehn@sympatico.ca
Date: December 2, 2019 at 10:45:30 AM EST
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Subject: Singer sewing machine



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