2024 Classes

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Saturday Morning Class Descriptions



Dropping Stitches...On Purpose - Amy Wentley

Most knitters dread discovering a dropped stitch in their work. In this class we will conquer our fears and create a unique motif with intentionally dropped stitches and controlled laddering. Students will learn how to "read" their knitting for predictable results when dropping a stitch. Using Christine Vogel's "Drop Stitch Scarf" pattern (free on Ravelry at https://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/drop-stitch-scarf-2), students will knit a sample swatch showcasing the seafoam pattern. After knitting the swatch students will have the option of trying other drop-stitch patterns or casting on the full-size project.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

Required Skills: Knitting, purling, basic increases and decreases.

Homework:

Using swatch yarn cast on 26 sts. Knit 4 rows. Leave stitches on needle and yarn attached

Materials Fee: \$8 Includes a printed color copy of the full pattern as well as a class handout and videos.

Supplies to Bring for Practice:

- Size US 6 (4.0 mm) straight or circular (24" 40")
- Approximately 25 yards of Worsted weight yarn. Avoid dark colors or textured/fuzzy yarn.
- Stitch Markers

Supplies to Bring for the project:

Approximately 300 yds of DK or worsted weight yarn, especially variegateds, and appropriate needles for that yarn. You can use slightly larger needles (size US 8 or 9) than you would normally for your yarn for a bigger, slightly lacier scarf. DO NOT choose a yarn that's "sticky" and hard to un-do, because you'll have problems dropping stitches. You might want to go for a slick yarn, such as a plant-based yarn like bamboo or cotton.

Optional: If you would like to cast on for the "Camino Bubbles" project originally publicized for this class, I'd be happy to get you started on it. You will need two skeins of fingering weight yarn. A 21" x 62" scarf requires approximately 790 yards. View additional details about yarn requirements on the pattern page https://www.kieranfoley.com/knit_lab_camino_bubbles.html



Intarsia Mixology- Ann Weaver

Intarsia—a method of working patches of color—doesn't have to be intimidating, and it doesn't have to create a snarled mess. In this workshop, we'll explore intarsia by knitting small, easily manageable squares. These swatch-sized blocks with curved-edge and straight-edge shapes allow you to learn the

technique and experiment with color. You'll also have a chance to design your own squares. The



squares can be joined to create a cowl, scarf, pillow cover, table runner, blanket-you name it!

Skill Level: Adventurous Beginner Required Skills: Casting on and knitting

Homework: None

Supplies to Bring:

- US Size 2 needles, straight or circular, any length OR, if you'd like to work with a heavier-weight yarn, needles in the recommended size for your yarn.
 - Fingering-weight yarn in several colors OR several colors of yarn in a weight of your choice



Knitting the Kerman Brioche Scarf - Amie Palmer

If you love the squishy, reversible patterns of brioche, learn everything you need to know for almost any pattern.

brioche stitch worked flat to the increases and decreases needed to make it come together, gain all the skills needed by

casting on for a swatch of the Kerman Brioche Scarf.

Skill Level: Intermediate to Advanced

Required Skills: Student must be able to cast on, knit and purl proficiently. Experience with basic lace, chart

reading, and brioche stitch extremely helpful

Materials Fee: \$8 Homework: None

Supplies to Bring: Two colors of DK weight yarn for swatch and a third color for waste yarn in the same weight,

circular needles appropriate for the yarn weight (usually about a US 7), a few Post-it notes.

Instructor will supply the pattern.



Virus Shawl - Katie Clark

The Virus Shawl is an iconic modern crochet pattern! It's no wonder, because the design is stunning in any colorway. In this class, beginner crocheters will learn and practice reading a written pattern and crochet diagram. Choose a solid color or self striping yarn and the easy repeating design will reveal a beautiful finished shawl.

Techniques taught in class: Reading a written pattern, reading a crochet diagram

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner Crocheter **Required Skills:** Single crochet, Double crochet

Homework: None

Supplies to Bring: 1000 yds. Fingering or Sport weight yarn (#1 or #2) or 500-750 yds. DK or Worsted weight (#3 or #4); self striping, ombre, or solid recommended. Appropriately sized hook

for your chosen yarn.

Crochet basics: scissors, tapestry needle, measuring tape, stitch markers

Saturday Afternoon Class Descriptions



Lumpy Knitting: An Introduction to Knitting Picots and Bobbles – Heather Storta

Picots and bobbles are decorative techniques that add texture and dimension to our knitting. In this class we will explore several methods for creating picots, including a picot cast-on and bind-off, and creating a folded hem with picot edge. We'll also cover three different ways to make bobbles.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

Required Skills: Students should know how to cast on (knitted cast on knowledge

is ideal) and how to make increases and decreases

Homework: None



Supplies to Bring:

- Worsted weight yarn in a solid, light color, a smooth yarn is preferred (no fuzzy or textured yarn please) about 100 yards
- · Waste Yarn
- Needles in size appropriate to yarn (size US 7 or 8 are typical), straight or circular
- Dpns in the same size
- · Crochet hook, in similar size
- Cable Needle
- Tapestry needle and scissors



Overshot Inspired Mosaic Knitting - Ann Weaver

In this workshop, students will experiment with mosaic/slipped-stitch patterns to create a dishcloth or mug rug inspired by overshot woven patterns.

Skill Level: Intermediate

Required Skills: Experience working with two colors at once (stranded knitting or mosaic knitting)

Experience reading charts

Materials Fee: There will be an optional kit for this workshop

Homework: None

Supplies to Bring:

We'll use fingering weight and worsted weight in the workshop. Knitters can bring small amounts of lots of different bases and colors if they'd like. I'll have some fun yarns to experiment with, too.

For a dishcloth: At least two colors of 100% cotton yarn and US Size 5 needles (straight or circular)

For a mug rug: At least one color of worsted-weight yarn. At least one color of sport-weight yarn US Size 5

needles (straight or circular)



Tshirt Yarn Basket - Katie Clark

Learn a new crochet technique! Create one of these great, eco-friendly baskets made out of recycled

T-shirt yarn that you can make yourself! The sturdy baskets are great for holding spa gifts or other small items. The design can be altered to make a larger tote..

Skill Level: Beginner Crocheter Required Skills: Single Crochet

Homework: None

Supplies to Bring:

2 L or XL t-shirts or 3 M t-shirts

US N hook (10 mm)

Rotary cutter, ruler, and mat (optional, but recommended); if you have extra cutters and mats, please bring them to share. <u>Kit available on Amazon</u>

Crochet basics: scissors, tapestry needle, measuring tape, stitch markers

Sunday Morning Class Descriptions



Choose Your Own Adventure: Mitten Cuffs - Ann Weaver

In this workshop, we'll explore techniques to create textured, eye-catching cuffs for mittens (or fingerless mitts). We'll learn knit frige, Latvian braids, knitting with beads, and picking up stitches to knit a lining for your mitten. We'll work from a basic mitten pattern written for both worsted and fingering-weight yarns. After starting your cuff in class, you'll be able to knit the rest of your mittens at home



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Skill Level: Intermediate

Materials Fee: There will be an optional kit for class

Required Skills: Knitting in the round with a small circumference (magic loop, two circular needles, or double-pointed needles) Experience with stranded knitting (two colors in a round)

Supplies to Bring: Worsted-weight yarn in at least two colors You'll need approximately 150 yards of your main color and small amounts of contrasting color(s). US Size 5 needles for working in the round on a small circumference

Optional: Seed beads. Soft sport, fingering, or lace weight yarn for the lining



Eek! Steeks!- Amy Wentley

Steeking is a technique used to safely cut your knitting! What? Cut your knitting? Why would any want to do that? Well, the most common reason knitters steek is to take a piece worked in the round and then cut it to make openings for the neck and arms or to turn it into a cardigan. Steeking is most frequently used on multi-colored, stranded-knitting projects, but can be used on any knitted fabric. Come to this class to learn, in a safe environment, how to cut your knitting.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

Required Skills: Be able to knit and purl in the round

Materials Fee: \$10

Homework: Using light-colored worsted-weight yarn (100% WOOL – NOT SUPERWASH) and appropriately sized 16" circular needles (US6 – US8) cast on approximately 60 to 80 stitches (enough to join in the round). Join and work 15 rounds in stockinette stitch (knit all rounds). Bind off

Supplies to Bring: Bring your swatch as well as 10 locking stitch markers. Bring a contrasting color of worsted-weight or fingering-weight yarn (100% WOOL – NOT SUPERWASH), a darning needle, a size F or G crochet hook, and a sharp pair of scissors.



Estonian Decorative Stitches - Heather Storta

The Estonian stitches of nupps, star stitches and clusters add texture and interest to your knitting. Often found in lace patterns, these stitches can be tricky. Join us as we learn a few different ways to work these interesting stitches while knitting a lace doily/scarf.

Skill Level: Intermediate / Advanced

Required Skills: Knit, purl, decreases, increases. Some lace knitting experience is preferred

Materials Fee: None

Homework: Provisional cast on and beginning of scarf. (See document.)

Supplies to Bring: Homework. Smooth, light colored fingering weight yarn. Working needles appropriate for yarn - size 3 or 4 will work for most knitters. (Note: lace tipped needles are strongly recommended). Cable needle. Crochet hook in one size smaller than working needles. One dpn in 2 sizes smaller than working needles (optional).



Round and Round We Go - Amie Palmer

Knitting small diameter items can be a challenge but there are a variety of techniques to make it easier! Whether it's a pinhole cast on for starting in the center or ways to work flat while creating a tube, learn the tips and tricks to make socks, gloves, toys, and so much more easier than ever.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner



Required Skills: Must be able to knit, purl and understand the concept of working in the

round

Materials Fee: None

Supplies to Bring: Light colored medium weight yarn and matching crochet hook, two circular needles sized to match yarn (one should be at least 32" long and the other can be any length), and a set of double point needles. All needles should be the same US size.

Sunday Afternoon Class Descriptions



I've Got This Yarn - Amie Palmer

We all have mystery yarn that we can't identify! We don't know what we have or how much we have, and so we don't know what we can do with it. In this yarn-meets-science class, learn techniques to figure out fiber content, yardage, weight category and more. Whether using your stash or shopping for more, you'll never look at yarn the same way again!

Skill Level: All Materials Fee: \$5

Required Skills: Loving Yarn

Homework: None

Supplies to Bring: Mystery yarns from your stash so you can test the techniques, writing utensil,

ruler (any length as long as it doesn't bend)



Design Your Own Knit Hat- Katie Clark

It is easier than you think to design your own knit hat! You can make choices about the edging, pattern, and crown to make a unique fit and design. In this class, you will learn basic design features in a hat and choose your favorite to create your own personalized hat.

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner Materials Fee: None Required Skills: Knit & Purl

Homework: Please come to class with a finished swatch (4"x4") in your chosen yarn knit in stockinette stitch (K on front, P on back) with the needles you will use on your hat.

Supplies to Bring:

- 100 grams DK (#3) weight or Worsted (#4) weight yarn
- Appropriately sized needles for your chosen yarn
- Knit basics: scissors, tapestry needle, measuring tape, stitch markers



Pattern Red Flags: Avoid Picking Problematic Patterns

- Heather Storta

Ever knit from a pattern and have problems? Did you think it was you? Well, maybe it was the pattern and not you!! In this class, we'll talk about some things to look for that indicate a pattern might pose some problems. Some things might be obvious, but others might not. We'll also cover



some things to look for in patterns to determine if something will fit how you want it to, whether it's for a sweater, other garments, or an accessory like socks and hats. Learn to be a smart pattern picker!

Skill Level: Beginner and Up Materials Fee: None

Required Skills: Basic Knitting skills

Homework: None

Supplies to Bring: One or more patterns that you have had trouble with (or that you want to

assess in class.)



Tiny Tubes and Polished Hems: An Introduction to Knitting I-Cord – *Amy Wentley*

I-Cord is simply a small knitted tube. When applied to the edges of a knit fabric, this simple yet ingenious technique gives a professional finish to handknits. In this class we'll learn i-cord cast on and bind off, i-cord edging, and how to make a stand-alone i-cord. Your instructor will provide patterns for swatches to be completed in class.

Skill Level: Advanced beginner

Materials Fee: None

Required Skills: Students should know how to cast on and be comfortable making knit and

purl stitches

Homework: Cast on 20 stitches using worsted-weight yarn in a light, solid color to a circular needle or DPN (see below). Work 20 rows in Stockinette Stitch (k 1 row, p 1 row). Leave

stitches on the needle (DO NOT BIND OFF). Bring with you to class.

Supplies to Bring:

- · Your homework swatch on the needles.
- Approximately 100 yards of worsted weight yarn in a solid color. Avoid dark colors or textured/fuzzy yarn. Examples: Cascade 220, Knit Picks Wool of the Andes
 Worsted, Lion Brand Wool-Ease.
- · One of the following
- A short circular needle (16" or 24"), size 8 or 9 (5.0 or 5.5 mm), or
- 2 Double Pointed Needles (DPNs), size 8 or 9 (5.0 or 5.5 mm)
- Size US 6 (4.0mm) straight or circular 24"-40"
- · stitch markers

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