

Patsy Sue Zawistoski, enjoys achieving design potential by handspinning yarns for use in knitting, weaving or crochet. Continually exploring and refining her spinning and teaching techniques for the past 30 years, she is a relaxed but thorough international teacher; nicknamed the “Spinning Guru”. Her three spinning DVDs are perennial favorites.

Debra M. Lee is a certified Craft Yarn Council of America teacher and an avid designer. She enjoys combining color, texture and structure into silhouette-flattering styles. Her designs can be found in Knitter’s, Knit ‘n Style, Jackets for Work and Play and A Gathering of Lace. As an accomplished teacher, Debra encourages her students to knit with confidence and adventure. Her website is www.debramlee.com.

Leslie Gonzalez is a TKGGA Master Knitter and member of the Master Hand Knitting Review Committee. She has been teaching knitting to students at all levels for the past 10 years and is a regular contributor of designs, lessons and technical articles to Cast On Magazine. Leslie has a special love for traditional color and lace knitting. Her blog White Horse Knitting is dedicated to knitting and her second passion, Lipizzan Horses. <http://whitehosedesigns.blogspot.com>

Babs Ausherman is an indie dyer and the owner of Miss Babs Hand-Dyed Yarns and Fibers. She has been dyeing full-time since 2005. She is a knitter and a spinner, along with having done weaving and felting. She has been knitting since she was 6 or 7 years old, but began spinning in 2001. She considers spinning the hobby portion of her fiber life. Babs comes from a family of artists and entrepreneurs who have made a living through the development of their creative ideas. Color has been important to Babs since she was small and couldn’t find just the right colors to wear, and was often consumed by how colors either didn’t go together or match. Her website is www.missbabs.com

Antje Gillingham grew up in Germany and learned to knit at the age of eight. In 1982 she relocated to the central coast of California, where she lived for the next 17 years. When her husband’s job relocated the family to Tennessee, Antje rediscovered her infatuation with knitting. She soon opened The Knitting Nest - a knitter’s haven in the heart of Maryville, Tennessee: www.theknittingnest.com. You can also find Antje on Ravelry: 2NdleTweedle. Antje is the author of two bestselling knitting books, Knitting Circles around Socks and Knitting More Circles around Socks. She has published patterns in knitting magazines and is currently finishing up work on her third book.