

Varian Brandon

When you start knitting at age eight, yarn and needles have time to rise and fall on the list of personal interests. It was during one of those down times that Varian took a trip to the islands of Great Britain. A trip that rekindled the love of color and created an interest in the traditions of Fair Isle design. That was it. It was color, design, history...and of course, knitting forever! Putting those elements to work, Varian is currently designing stranded colorwork patterns for several yarn companies, national and international publications, and for her own website and Ravelry store. Calling the small town of Saluda, North Carolina home, she has been teaching stranded colorwork and related knitting techniques at local yarn shops, regional fiber festivals, and for the past thirteen years, at the Kanuga Knitting and Quilting Retreat in Hendersonville, North Carolina which she coordinates. Online, Varian can be found at www.brandonknittingdesigns.com or on Ravelry at varianbrandon.

Jolie Elder

Jolie has explored a wide range of needle arts after learning to cross stitch at age four. She designs, teaches, spins, and stunt knits in the Atlanta area where she demystifies the obscure. She has served on the boards of Atlanta Knitting Guild, North Georgia Knitting Guild, Southeast Fiber Arts Alliance, and Center for Knit and Crochet. She has been published in PLY, Spin-Off, and Cast-On. Her patterns accentuate geometric structure and feature meticulous techniques, many of which she posts on her [blog](#) or YouTube channel "[Jolie knits.](#)"

Heather Storta

Heather is a TKGGA certified Master Knitter, and a current member of the TKGGA Master Hand Knitting committee. She has been designing knitwear and teaching knitting for over 8 years. Her designs have been published in Cast On magazine and Knitscene, as well as Knitty and elsewhere. When not knitting, designing, or teaching she homeschools her two boys - and loves every minute of it!

Jeffrey Wall

Jeffrey lives in Freeport, IL with his husband Dennis where they own and operate a LYS, Wall of Yarn. We also import yarn from Norway under the distribution company The Yarn Guys. We also contracted with a mill to create our own Z-twist yarn line for twined knitting. Jeffrey translates patterns from Norwegian to English for Rauma Ullvarefabrikken AS. He teaches knitting classes throughout the United States and really enjoys helping people add new knitting skills to their knitting toolbox. When not knitting he enjoys playing the French Horn and doing jigsaw puzzles.