

July 11th
Hybrid

Riverside Knitting Guild

General Meeting

Sat., July 11th, 10:15 am Pacific



Newsletter

July 2026

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Riverside Knitting Guild presents

WINTER HOLIDAY IN JULY

Saturday, July 11

 Arlanza Public Library

Join us for a knitting and crocheting celebration! There will be snacks, giveaways and make-and-take crafts to remember the special event.

This event will follow our General Meeting at 10:30am.



Now that we are in the middle of Summer, isn't it a good time to think about our Winter Holidays? After a brief general meeting, Kim has once again volunteered to put together a holiday program with that in mind. Fun make and take crafts, games, prizes and treats are in store for all members in attendance.

Members that have registered to attend on zoom have already been emailed their information.

Welcome
new members
Brittany Smith
Toni VanBuhler
Mary Lou Mermilliod

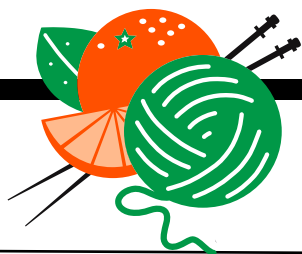
Presidents Message

Hello My Favorite Artists!

It's party time!!! I do tend to follow the philosophy of ARTHAP (Any Reason To Have A Party). It is a simple philosophy, respect others traditions and join in when invited. The honest truth is this, life contains unexpected events so enjoy the good times while they last (that is what my mother tells me). So, yes, I celebrate Hanukkah, Christmas, Halloween, Yule (Winter Solstice), Easter, Kwanzaa, (respectfully), President' Day, Veterans Day, you name it. All of these have traditions surrounding them and I try to respect all of them. So let us all gather together and celebrate this Saturday. We do call it our Christmas in July party and wearing your Christmas attire is recommended, but come as you are. All are welcome.

Mary

Meetings are held the 1st. Saturday of the month, (unless otherwise noted). Time and location is temporarily on a month-to-month basis at 10:15am PCT, with Hybrid being the most common. Arlanza address is 8267 Philbin, Riverside, CA
ZOOM meeting I.D. and password are sent out through e-mail to members.



Riverside Knitting Guild

Coming up

Member to Member taught classes after general meetings

August 1

Ladder-back Jacquard Knit "mug cozy", by Kim

Materials needed: Two colors of DK weight yarn with double pointed needles (Size 4 or 5) Skill level required: knitting in the round. *Complete details about this class will be e-mailed mid July.*

September 5 Mosaic Crochet

Amanda and Carly will be instructing us on inset and overlay techniques. More information and a materials list will be sent closer to the event.



Knit and Crochet make alongs

Squares for June

Our continuing monthly project of free knit and crochet pattern links were emailed directly to members. They are also stored on our newly created RKG Google Drive. These small squares are a perfect opportunity to learn or practice a new skill.

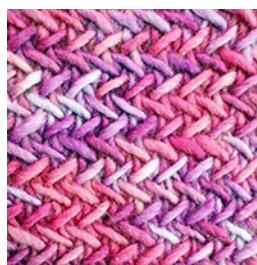
Knit



Knotted
Openwork



Wing stitch



Herringbone

Crochet



Puff Stitch



Barnaby

How are your "squares" coming along?

I hope you are enjoying this project. Following a crochet pattern is still a challenge for me, (where do you stick that darn hook?), but my skills are improving. (some-what). As I predominately knit, I had not planned on making the knit squares. However, there were times when I really needed a break from wrestling with the yarn for crochet. I am guessing that some of you are on the flip side of this challenge but Mine are all basically made from auction yarn that I did not know what to do with. I have added borders around the crochet squares to make them approximately the same size. The knit squares may be more of a challenge to make a uniform size, but my current thoughts are to stitch these all together and use as a sampler.



This is a volunteer organization. Those willing to donate the time to take on a leadership position to make decisions and plan programs based on member responses, need to include all members whenever possible. No member is obliged to participate in any of the programs or projects.

tentative schedule for 2026

**We are collecting yarn
for the October auction.
Contact Mary with a text
if you have yarn
to donate**

General Meetings

Except for auction days, we are
always on ZOOM; sometimes Hybrid
10:15 am PST, 1st Saturdays

Virtual Happy Hours (VHH)

are always on ZOOM
7:00pm PST, 3rd Thursdays

3rd Saturdays are in person

10:00am PST, every month
Location: Tyler Galleria food court

The SoCal Fiber Fair was such a great
event we will participate
again in 2026 (November 21-22))

Next 2026 Yarn Auction

to be held Oct 3rd. , after our
general meeting.

At this time, auctions are in-person only.

JUL	7-16-26	Third Saturday
	7-18-26	Virtual Happy Hour
AUG	8-1-26	General Meeting - <i>Member to Member</i> Ladder-back Jacquard
	8-15-26	Third Saturday
	8-20-26	Virtual Happy Hour
SEP	9-5-26	General Meeting - <i>Member to Member</i> Mosaic Crochet
	9-17-26	Virtual Happy Hour
	9-19-26	Third Saturday
OCT	10-3-26	General Meeting - Auction Part 2
	10-15-26	Virtual Happy Hour
	10-17-26	Third Saturday
NOV	11-7-26	General Meeting - Show-n-Share presentation
	11-19-26	Virtual Happy Hour
	11-21&22-26	SoCal Fiber Fair
DEC	12-5-26	General Meeting, Election & Holiday Party
	12-17-26	Virtual Happy Hour
	12-19-26	Third Saturday

member's corner

At the suggestion of our only original member and guild historian, Gerri Lichtenberg, a member's corner was set up in 2025. A simple questionnaire was sent out with hopes that with your participation, we can highlight a different member in each monthly newsletter. The idea was to get to know more about each other.

Gerri kindly offered to be our first member highlighted in the August 2025 issue. Vicki Ann Buckly was highlighted in the October 2025 issue and Adrienne Franklin in the December 2025 issue. These three ladies were those who responded.

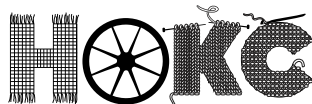
it was briefly discussed at our last board meeting that we give it another go. The information will again be sent out to members in hopes that more of you will have the time to respond and share your story with others in the guild. Thank you

General Reminder to all members!

RKG uses the same Meeting ID and passcode for hybrid meetings as well as Virtual Happy Hour.

We do not publish the information in the newsletter as the newsletter is open to anyone who views our website. The info is emailed prior to general meetings direct to members, however, it is always the same so you may want to archive it in your own files for future use.

The Google Drive area of our RKG site stores the current membership list and patterns for easy access.



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