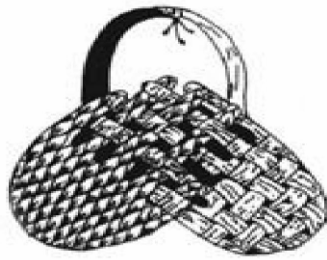


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August 6 GBB Meeting

11:00 am to 12 Business Meeting
12-1 Lunch & Show & Tell (Bring your bag lunch)
1:00 PM Program

We are going to have a dyeing party outside for the program. Molly, Betty and Mary Lee are going to show us how to dye reed and/or other materials. Members can bring their own materials to dye; as well as newspapers to lay your freshly dyed reed on. We could use an extra Coleman stove or two, as well as any large dye pots if you have any. Please bring any dyes if you have a favorite. For more info contact Betty Hulse 747-5794. This is a good opportunity to dye some of your reed for projects for the Interwoven exhibit.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Penny Heinrich-Sparks
Lynne Bunt-Sparks

WELCOME BACK RENEWING MEMBER:

Tia Flores-Reno

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August at a glance:

August 1-28	Artist Co-op—Baskets, Gourds, & More
August 2	Artist Co-op Reception
August 6	GBB General Meeting
August 15	3rd Saturday Workshop, Sky Peaks Community Room
August 20	3rd Thurs Workshop, Larry D. Johnson Center

August Workshops

3rd Saturday Workshop

August 15, 2009

9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Sky Peak Community Room

Instructors: Over the Hill Gang

This basket starts out with a wood bottom and ends with curls for an embellishment. It's approximately 5" tall by 8" in diameter. Easy and fun to make.

Please bring the usual tools: soaking bucket, scissors, towels, spray bottle, packing tool.

Please sign up and pay your fees no later than August 7th.

For more information contact Bert at (530) 823-2433.

Wood bottom basket with curls



3rd Thursday Workshop

August 20, 2009

Larry Johnson Center

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Waxed Linen Earrings

Instructor: Karen Winberg

Class fees are \$15 for member, \$20 for non-member, with a \$5 material fee.

Tools needed: Awl, scissors, ruler, pencil for forming shape of earrings, magnifying glass could prove useful. Bring beads if you would like to include them in your earrings. *And don't forget your lunch!*



FMI or if you would like to order a special color call: Karen at 775-790-0316.

Come join artist, **Danielle Bodine**, for a presentation of contemporary basket makers' works. Danielle is a contemporary basketry artist from Whidbey Island, Washington and is featured in the book, 500 Baskets. Danielle's works are exhibited in galleries nation wide and she currently teaches workshops for the Pacific Northwest Art School in Washington.

Time: Friday September 18, 2009. 5pm to 8pm

Location: Larry Johnson Community Center, 1200 12th Street, Sparks, NV; (775) 353-7780

Open to all members of the Great Basin Basketmakers. Cookies and beverages will be provided. Please RSVP to Gretchen Ericson - (775) 762-7589 or gericson@yahoo.com

PS. We need a digital projector for Danielle's presentation, if anyone has one or knows of one we can borrow for the evening, please contact Gretchen at the above phone or email.



Baskets, Gourds, & More!!!!



By the Great Basin Basketmakers

At the Artists Co-Op Gallery

August 1 to 28, 2009

Reception: Sunday, August 2, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Delivery: Friday, July 31, 11:00 to 4:00

Entry fee: \$5.00 payable to Great Basin Basketmakers

Commission: 30% to Artists Co-Op Gallery

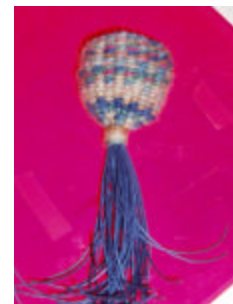
Open to all GBB Members

? ? Please print clearly and complete the GBB inventory because the inventory form is used for paying you. Attach the \$5. entry fee to the inventory form. Make a copy of the inventory for your records.

? ? Complete the hangtag's information and secure one to each piece of artwork. Please make sure the tag's GBB # corresponds to the inventory sheet's entry #. All submitted artwork must be for sale.

? ? Checks for sold artwork will be mailed to you in early September.

Pick-up Day: Friday, August 28, 1-4 p.m.



If you want to leave artwork at an earlier date or cannot pick up your art on August 28, please contact Betty Hulse, 747-5794 or Cheryln Bennett, 852-5090. If you have question or need hang-tags, please call Betty.



Grand Basket Projects for Interwoven 2010

At the GBB meeting, votes were tallied and the projects with the highest votes were:

1. Large Coiled basket
2. Woven Bridge
3. Spiral dust devil/tumbleweed (2 projects combined prior to voting).

Enthusiasm was high and we've already started to organize. We have a site and coordinator for each project.

1. Large coiled basket at April Barber's who lives in Washoe Valley. Margaret Marshall is the coordinator.
2. Woven Bridge will be at Billie Walker's home in Sparks with Donna Newlin coordinator.
3. Spiral dust devil/tumbleweed will meet in Carson City at Nancy Grundy's home with Pat Wescott as coordinator.

The 3 GBB groups are already busy with projects for the Nevada State Museum as a prelude to the show. I've talked to each of the coordinators —each plan is fabulous! **Come to the August meeting** where you will hear from Margaret Marshall, Pat Wescott, and Molly Gardner and Linda Havens for Donna Newlin describe these grand projects. You will be informed by e-bulletin when and where these groups are meeting and how you can help. All "hands" are needed to make these terrific ideas a reality.

Interwoven 2010 is scheduled for early in the year. **The show is to be in place on March 24 and the opening reception will be Thursday, March 25 from 5-7 p.m. The Museum will need your baskets in early February. What a great event this will be!**

As in the previous interwoven show, each GBB member can enter up to 5 baskets and everyone who enters will have at least one item in the show. So after you finish your creations for the Artist Co-Op show, start thinking and making your baskets for Interwoven 2010.

Twined Tall Basket

Special Workshop by Danielle Bodine -

Date: Saturday, September 19 and Sunday, September 20, 2009

Time: 9 – 5 Saturday; 10 – 5 Sunday

Location: Nevada Fine Arts, 1301 S. Virginia St, Reno, NV 89502; (775) 786-1128

Cost \$220.00

Class limited to 15 students

Open for Beginner to Advanced



Learn the ancient technique of twining to create contemporary baskets out of a variety of materials. Class will learn various twining techniques on natural spokes with a variety of natural and manufactured weaving materials. Collage with mulberry papers, stamp printing, painting, dyes, and embellishing will all be explored. Danielle will bring samples and books and will give a digital presentation of contemporary basket makers' works. This workshop will be an excellent opportunity for participants to experiment with a variety of materials to create a unique basket. This is a good workshop for art teachers and artists in all media.

Materials: *For the spokes:* ¼" diameter straight branches, quantity 11 to 13. Anything will work as long as it is fairly straight and strong enough to twine on. Willow or bamboo work well, but there are plenty of other materials out there; check Michaels or Ben Franklin's. Spokes can be anywhere from 4 feet to 6 feet in length, depending upon how tall you want your basket.

For the weavers: Anything will work as long as it is strong enough for twining, size 0 or 1 round reed, sea grass, waxed linen thread, hemp twine, etc. Keep in mind that most of your twining will be covered with the paper.

Embellishments: Beads, feathers, misc items. General basketry supplies: soaking bucket, spray bottle, towel, scissors, awl

Materials supplied by artist: For an additional fee of \$10.00, collage papers, stamps, dyes and paints will be available.

For further information or questions, please contact Gretchen Ericson at gericson@yahoo.com or (775) 762-7589



HAPPENINGS HERE & THERE

August 21: Deadline to enter Fiberart International 2010. Exhibition of Contemporary Fiber Art presented by the Fiberarts Guild of Pittsburgh, PA, April 16-August 22, 2010. Seek wide range of work related to fiber art. Contact Mary McDowel Jordan, 7024 Meadows Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15208-2429. Phone (412) 521-2547, e-mail fiberartinternational@yahoo.com. Download prospectus at www.fiberartinternational.org.

September 16-20, Columbia Basin Basketry Guild – Tidal Twinings Basketry Retreat in Oregon, featuring great teachers and baskets. Online brochure at www.BasketryGuild.org

Sept. 19-20, Davis Ranch 1st Annual Gourd Festival from 9-5 pm. 31501 Jackson Rd., Sloughouse, CA. www.zslproductions.net/davisranch

Sept. 26-27, Folsom Gourd and Art Festival. Classes. <http://www.folsomgourdfestival.com/gourd-art-classes.htm>

Oct. 20-25, Assn. of Michigan Basketmakers Convention. www.michiganbasketmakers.com

2010 Basket Weave Cruise to the Caribbean while weaving baskets with teachers Anne Bowers, Sandy Bulgrin, Flo Hoppe, Debie Hurd, Sue Kamin, Candace Katz, and Karen Zane. www.basketweavingcruise.com

Convergence 2010 Albuquerque, NM: "New Visions: Ancient Paths", July 18-25. You would love this! www.weavespindye.org

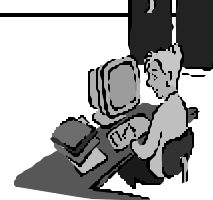
Gratitude to Bay Area Basket Makers, Northwest Basket Weavers, Columbia Basin Basketry Guild, and Las Angeles Basketry Guild newsletters for the above information.



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Great Basin Basketmakers Membership Application/Renewal

Annual Membership Dues: \$20/yr, \$35/2 yrs, \$50/3 yrs. (Renewals due in January)

Date _____ Amount: \$ _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

*Send this completed form and check payable to **Great Basin Basketmakers** and mail to:
Great Basin Basketmakers * P. O. Box 11844 * Reno, NV 89510-1844*

GBB General Meeting Minutes July 2, 2009 by Malinda Parks

Membership: stands at 198

Meeting programs: Planning for our group basket projects for Interwoven 2010 will take precedence over the next few months. we had a very successful voting and planning session. Three projects were decided on: A Coiled Basket, chair Margaret, meeting place will be at April Barbers in Washoe Valley; A Bridge, chair Donna and Karen, meeting place at Billie Walkers, Sparks; A Hanging Sculpture/ Dust Devil, chair Betty, meeting at Nancy Grundy's in Carson City. Volunteers are still needed, pick your favorite project and let Joan O'Brien put you in contact with your group. All are welcome, you can choose at what level you will participate.

Workshops: Thank you to Leah Brady and Burt Barrow and the Over the Hill Gang, July teachers. August, Karen is teaching woven earrings and the 3rd Sat class please see the newsletter.

Special Projects/Events: Sept 19-20, Tall Twined Baskets with Danielle Bodine, see the website for price. 8 students min 12 max to sign up contact Gretchen Ericson 775-762-7589. Cherlyn Bennet offered her lovely home in Reno for the class, thank you.

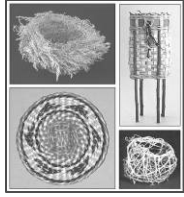
Exhibits/ Shows: Artists Co-op, 7-31, 11-4pm bring you baskets to the co-op, Opening Aug. 2nd, 1-4p, sign up to bring finger food or wine contact Betty Hulse for info. Interwoven 2010, NSM opening 3-31 thru 7-24-2010, baskets will need to be received 4-6 weeks ahead of the show. More info to follow in the newsletter.

Other: There is still 1 scholarship of \$250.00 available for this year. The application can be found on our website. We have a very busy year ahead, lets get creative! Also new Officers are needed for next year watch the news letter and let the nominating committee know your interest.

June Treasurer's report by Sandy Zoerner

During the month of June, we took in \$1181.58 and paid out expenses of \$1363.50 leaving a balance in our accounts of \$12,225.38. We added 5 new members to our roster. Welcome! Final totals from the retreat have been calculated and we have \$1468.96 to apply toward next year's retreat after we purchased a luggage cart as a token of our thanks to Zephyr Point.. Thank you Pat Morfoot for handling the treasury during June while I was traveling to Alaska. Copies of detailed reports are available upon request.

Attention: GBB members are invited to attend a quarterly board meeting which will be held **August 5 beginning at 1:00 pm**. This will be held at Karen Olson's, 4201 Fairview Rd, Reno. Light refreshments will be served. Contact Karen at 852-5401 or one of the other board members if you have agenda items you would like addressed by the board.



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Established January 1987

- ? Meet the first Thursday of each month in **Sparks at the Larry D. Johnson Community Center**, 1200 12th Street.
- ? Open business meeting at 11 AM. **All are welcome.**
- ? Bring a sack lunch.
- ? Show and Tell/Lunch 12-1 PM. Program starts at 1:00 PM
- ? Membership dues for Great Basin Basketmakers are \$20/yr, \$35/2 yrs, \$50/3 yrs. \$5 extra per household member pr yr. Dues are to be paid annually in January. Membership includes monthly newsletter, access to large library and reduced workshop rates.
- ? Please direct address, email changes, membership dues, and requests for membership to PO Box 11844, Reno, NV 89510-1844
- ? Questions regarding workshops, events, etc may be directed to GBB president, Joan O'Brien at 775-849-3442 or joaneob@charter.net or check our website at:

www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org

E-Bulletin board: Contact Margaret Marshall at
gmlmarshall@aol.com

Our Mission Statement

The main focus of the Great Basin Basketmakers is to make baskets, to learn everything possible about the tradition and techniques of basketry and to pass this knowledge along to others.

