

# Fiber Fest and Spin-In

*March 12-13, 2010*

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*An event devoted  
to the Fiber Arts!*

## Schedule of Events

**Thursday, March 11**

Classes only 5-8pm

**Friday, March 12, 9am-3pm**

Educational Day

Admission \$1

Preschool & under free

Vendors available 9am-2pm & 4-9pm

Benefit Soup Supper 4:30-7pm

All proceeds benefit Helping Hands Food Bank

**Saturday, March 13, 9am-4pm**

Open to the Public

Free Admission

*Instructor information and class listings available at  
[www.visitjaycounty.com](http://www.visitjaycounty.com)*



## Lodging

Holiday Inn Express 260-726-6688

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Super 8 260-726-8888

Bearcreek Farms 260-997-6822



## Directions

Portland is South of Ft. Wayne, IN on US 27 appr. 60 mi.

Portland is North of Richmond, IN on US 27 appr. 40 mi.

# CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

*Thursday, March 11, 2010 • 5-8 pm*

## **Beginning Knitting / Cable Knit Scarf - Helen Rouch**

*Teacher Fee \$30 / Materials Fee none.*



Learn the basic knitting stitches, how to cast on and bind off. Get started with a craft that will warm up your life! Students should bring: size 10 bamboo or wooden needles, a smooth worsted weight skein of yarn. The instructor will have a pattern and pamphlets.

## **Painting with Fiber & Needles - Kenya Habegger**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee: none.*



Painting with fiber and needles is a way to paint a picture using wool and felting needles.

Students should bring: a scenic photo, different colors of fiber and felting needles, a piece of foam 18" x 24" x 2" deep. A piece of wool felt or felt 18 x 24; needles will be available for purchase.

## **Pieced Applique - Deb Tumbleson**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$25.*

Material fee includes: 6 fat quarters and pattern, glue and templates. Class size 3-15. This class will teach you a completely different twist to piecing a block which you will use in a table runner. Penny Haren has developed this technique to help you make blocks that look very complex yet are very simple. There is no limit to what you can do with this class. You will need your sewing machine and supplies. Samples at the Engine House Quilt Shop.

## **Making a Purse - Kathy Diveley**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$20, includes fabric and pattern.*

We will help you make a purse out of fabric squares. The kits are loaded with options. You decide what you use for the inside, the outside and the pockets. If you watch how you cut you will be able to almost make two purses with the kits. Samples at the Engine House Quilt Shop. You will need your sewing machine and supplies.

## **The Ancient Art of Spindling - Julie Davidson**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$6, includes roving.*

Instructor will provide spindles for use if you don't have one. Some spindles will be available for purchase. You will learn the basic techniques of drop spindling and how to ply your single into usable yarn with the Andean plying bracelet. A brief history of spindles will be presented. Class is for high school age or over. Students should bring enthusiasm and patience and a spindle if you have it.

*Friday, March 12, 2010 • 1-4 pm*

## **Spinning Clinic - Karen Hainlen**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$10 for roving.*



Learn how to spin or improve on the spinning you are currently doing. Bring a wheel in good working order. There will be a limited number of wheels available for those who do not have one. A Great/Walking wheel will also be available for those who would like to learn more about it.

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## **Making a Chenille Pillow** - Kathy Diviely

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$25.*

Class size 3-15. In this class you will learn how to create Chenille. We will make a pillow with the Chenille on the front with stars. After making Chenille you will be able to use what you have learned in making vests, rugs, and other items. You will need your sewing machine and supplies. Samples at the Engine House Quilt Shop.

## **Wool Mat** - Deb Tumbleson

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$29.*

Material fee includes wools, fabrics and pattern. We will learn about using wool. We will be hand stitching this project so you will not need your sewing machine. Samples at the Engine House Quilt Shop.

## **Wet Felting** - Kelly Dossett

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$7 for a medium bag (includes wool of different colors, felting needle, foam pad). Bring 2 old towels.*

Wool + water + soap + agitation = felt! An ancient art has a new look today. Make a small or medium-sized bag using needle felting and wet felting techniques.

## ***Kid's Classes** - Kat Koeller*

*2:00 pm & 3:30 pm. Each class 1 hour. Class size 6-12*

## **Fiber Science Lab & Color Theory** - 2 pm

*Teacher fee \$10 / Material fee \$5.*

Learn about the science behind dyes, different types of fiber preparation and manufacturing plus basic color theory. Wear old clothes or apron. Ages 8-14.

## **Fused Fashion** - 3:30 pm

*Teacher fee \$10 / Material fee \$5.*

Use fused plastics and reclaimed items to create brooches, jewelry and accessories. Ages 8-14.



## **In a Tangle** - Weaving 5 pm

*Teacher fee \$10 / Material fee \$1.*

Basic terminology, history of textiles/yarn and learning to weave on a cardboard loom. Goodie bag to take home. Ages 8-14.

*Friday, March 12, 2010 • 5-8 pm*

## **Needlefelt an Alpaca Hat** - Carol Haughton

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$20 which includes all of the materials needed to create a hat.*

Turn warm, soft natural colored alpaca fiber into a stylish hat just for you using felting needles and a foam form.



## **Paper Piecing** - Deb Tumbleson

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$20, includes your choice of pattern.*

Class size 3-15. Learn the beginning steps to start paper piecing a quilt. You will be making the basics of adding strips to make a square. You will need to bring fabric or purchase one of our kits which will be available. You may visit the Engine House Quilt Shop to choose your pattern and kit before the class if you like. You will need your sewing machine and supplies. Samples at the Engine House Quilt Shop.

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## **Sheep Breeds for Fiber - Jamie Stark**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$30, which includes 10 different samples of wool, including raw wool.*



Learn about different breeds of sheep and their fiber. Many samples will be available to touch and spin. Learn how to choose wool for a project depending on its qualities. Find out what makes a good fleece by handling raw wool.

Students should bring: a spindle or wheel and hand cards if you have them; ashed locks, roving, labels.

## **Colonial Rug Hooking - Jan Ryan**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$15 for the small kit, which includes a hook, hoop, rug backing with design, instructions, handspun and dyed yarn by the artist to complete a small sampler. \$25 for the large kit which includes a hook, hoop, rug backing with design, instructions, wool strips, handspun and dyed yarn by the artist to complete a pillow or table mat (larger project). Students will learn several finishing techniques.*

Ohio artist and award-winning rug hooker, Janice Ryan, will instruct beginners on the art of New England style rug hooking. This method uses a hook to pull loops of handspun, hand-dyed wool yarn through a linen backing to form a luxurious thick surface. You can complete most of the small kit during class. If you choose the large kit, you will have fun completing it at home.

Students should bring: a pair of scissors and reading glasses if necessary.

*Saturday, March 13, 2010 • 8:30 am to 11:30 am*

## **Rughooking - Jan Ryan**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$35, frame available for purchase \$12.*

Learn the art of traditional rug hooking. You will receive a beginner kit including a hook, linen backing, hoop, handspun and hand-dyed wool to make a project. Several choices are available.

## **Raggy Shaggy Jacket Class - Kathy Diveley**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$48, includes pattern and fabric to make a complete jacket.*

Class size 3-15. In this class we cut fabric into strips – sew the strips together and assemble a complete, reversible jacket. There are many options for you to add to your jacket such as buttons, bows, loops or other embellishments. This is a fun and informative class full of creative twists. You will need your sewing machine and supplies. Samples at the Engine House Quilt Shop.

## **Beginning Crochet - Helen Rouch**

*Teacher Fee \$30 / Material Fee none.*

Learn to make a 6-8" round doily. Students should bring Size 7 steel crochet hook and Coats & Clark #10 ball crochet thread or any brand. Students will learn basic stitches and reading a pattern.

## **Locker Hooking - Kelly Dossett**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$5, includes the materials for the project.*

Locker hooking is an interesting technique similar to rug hooking. You will use a locker hook, burlap backing, yarn and a design of your choice to make a square trivet. The technique can be used for rugs as well.

## **Blending Fibers for Spinning - Pennie Phares**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$10.*

Combine fibers for spinning using hand cards and a drumcarder. Explore the properties of different fibers and experiment with color blends. You will go home with many samples. Extra fiber will be available for purchase. Bring spinning wheels or spindles to spin samples. Bring hand carders and small niddy-noddys if you have them.

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**Saturday, March 13, 2010 • 8:30 am-11:30 am**

## **Straw Weaving Dolls - Kenya Habegger**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$7.*



Learn to make cute dolls, and be taught to straw weave at the same time. Bring skin-colored yarn with you and different colored yarn for the clothes; worsted weight yarn works best.

**Saturday, March 13, 2010 • 12:30 pm-3:30 pm**

## **Inside Out Jacket - Deb Tumbleson**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$55.*

This class includes the kit for the jacket, the pattern and instructions. You will need your sewing machine and supplies. You will choose between flannel or a woven fabric, three colors, two colors, patchwork, or plain. This jacket is reversible and attractive.

## **Curly Gift Basket - Deb Gerber**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$6.*



Make an easy basket with a handle. Great for your home or giving as a gift! You will receive all of the materials needed and instruction. Students should bring: a towel, a pencil, a tape measure, spray bottle, scissors, container for water (example: dishpan) and a flathead screwdriver. Instructor will also have extra equipment.

## **Purse Class - Emily Tumbleson**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$32.*



Class size 3-15. We will be making the Frenchy Bag by Amy Butler. This purse has two size choices and many different fabric options. Bring your sewing machine and supplies. Samples at the Engine House Quilt Shop.

## **Easy Fun Dyes - Pennie Phares**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$10.*

Have fun with dyes that you can do in your kitchen. Using Kool-Aid and another simple dye solution, you will produce many vibrant colors on wool and mohair.

## **Folded Star Candle Mat - Kim Flueckiger**

*Teacher fee \$30 / Material fee \$8.*

In this class you will learn how to make prairie points. This 12-inch candle mat is octagon shaped with a center star. Come and learn this fun and easy technique. This will make a great Mother's Day gift. You will need your sewing machine and supplies.

## **Chainmaille Bracelet - Deb Woodlings**

*Teacher fee \$10 / Material fee \$2.*

Learn to make a very simple stretchy chainmaille bracelet using colored aluminum rings and colored rubber rings. It's fun and easy.





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