



## Class Schedule January/February 2017

### BEGINNING KNITTING PROJECT WORKSHOP

#### **Mary Rourke**

This project-based class is designed to help those with basic knitting skills to complete projects, and to offer a refresher to those who have knit in the past but need a little help to get back on track. Each class will be tailored to the specific needs of the students based on the challenges they face while working on their own projects. Friendly and informal, there will be plenty of time for questions and discussion.

Friday Jan 6, 13, 27  
Friday Feb 3, 10, 24  
10:30 am - 12:30 pm  
\$20/single session

### INTERMEDIATE KNITTING

#### **Janet Charbonnier, Tatyana Tchibova**

This project-oriented class is for those who have mastered the basics of beginning knitting. Students work on a project of choice, and by doing so will review the basics, enhance knitting skills, explore new projects, and improve pattern reading. Learn not only from the instructor, but also from your classmates.

Tuesday Jan 3, 10, 17, 24  
Tuesday drop-in only Jan 31, Feb 21, 28  
10:30 am - 12:30 pm  
\$68/four sessions  
\$20/single session (drop-in only)

Wednesday Jan 4, 11, 18, 25  
Wednesday drop-in only Feb 1, 22, Mar 1  
\$68/four sessions  
10:30 am - 12:30 pm  
\$20/single session (drop-in only)

Thursday Jan 5, 12, 19, 26  
Thursday Feb 2, 9, 16, 23  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
\$68/four sessions  
\$20/single session (drop-in only)

### CONTINENTAL KNITTING

#### **Karen Aho**

Throwing vs. picking, English vs. European...we get confused by the various names for methods of holding the yarn. Continental knitting is the technique of holding your yarn in your LEFT hand and "picking" it through the stitches. It requires a smaller amount of motion than the traditional right handed "throwing" method. That means you create less stress on your body and you'll finish your projects faster!

### **Materials for class**

- Worsted weight yarn
- US 8 or US 9 straight or circular needles

Saturday Jan 14  
10:30 am – 12:30 pm  
\$35/single session



### **DAISIES**

**Andrée Beddoe**

What could brighten up the winter darkness more than a warm winter hat with cheerful knitted flowers?! "Daisies" is a brand-new pattern from creative local designer Andrée Beddoe, and will be debuted in this class! Students will receive the original pattern and learn how to make this delightful slouchy hat that uses the innovative technique of 'knitted embroidery', where the flowers are knit in-line with the rest of the stitches.

Aside from choice of yarn for the hat, this design can be further personalized by color choice for the 27 flowers on the hat; they can be one or multiple colors.

### **Materials for class**

- Hat: 210 yards DK or light worsted weight yarn
- Flowers: Each of the 27 flowers uses 1¾ yards yarn in a similar weight to the hat body. Flowers can be one or multiple colors.
- Practice yarn: Approximately 20 yards (stash) yarn to practice flower technique
- US 6 (4.0 mm) 16" circular needle for hat brim
- US 7 (5.0 mm) 16" circular needle and US 7 (5.0 mm) DPNs for hat body
- Stitch marker

Sunday Jan 15  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
\$35/single session



### **CROCHET QUICK FINGERLESS GLOVES**

**Tatyana Tchibova**

Crochet a pair of fingerless gloves just in time for the holidays! Choose from one of three different glove designs, and learn the techniques needed to make a solid start on this quick project during the class. The class is designed for the beginning crocheter who has some experience with basic crochet stitches (chain stitch and single crochet stitch). Develop your burgeoning crochet skills by crafting these attractive handwarmers, and have fun while doing so!

### **Materials for class**

- 220 yards worsted weight yarn
- Crochet Hook Size H
- Pattern: *Crocheted Handwarmers: 1 Stitch 3 Ways*

Sunday Jan 22  
1:00 pm - 3:30 pm  
\$30/single session

### **BEGINNING KNITTING**

**Fenella Raymond**

Never picked up knitting needles but are itching to give it a try? This class is for you! Designed for those who are brand new to knitting, the basic knit and purl stitches and casting on will be covered. Although we won't start a project in this single-session class, enough information will be provided for students to continue either on their own or by taking additional classes. Yarn will be provided, but see below for other materials. Welcome to knitting!

### **Materials for class**

- Book: *I Can't Believe I'm Knitting*

- US 7 or 8 straight or circular needles

Saturday Jan 28  
11:00 am – 12:30 pm  
\$20/single session

Saturday Feb 25  
11:00 am – 12:30 pm  
\$20/single session

## UNRAVELLING KNITTING ERRORS

### **Jody McBee**

Since none of us are perfect knitters, an important part of knitting is learning to recognize errors and knowing how to fix them. In this class we will discuss the basic rules of "reading" your knitting to understand the mechanics of the fabric being created in order to prevent errors, and how to repair them if they do occur. Common knitting errors that will be covered include dropped stitches, excess or too few stitches, twisted stitches, and unwanted yarn-overs. Instructions for a practice swatch to bring to class will be provided upon registration.

### **Materials for class**

- Silvalume Handi-Tool
- Saturday Feb 25

Saturday Jan 28  
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
\$35/single session

## KNITTING CUFF-DOWN SOCKS

### **Jody McBee**

Join the wonderful world of sock knitting! This class will cover the basic elements in knitting a sock from the cuff down: cuff, heel flap, heel turning, gusset, and toe shaping. The three-session format will allow plenty of time to practice class material, with the aim of completing a sock by the end of the third session. This class is appropriate for knitters who feel comfortable with knit and purl stitches, and the techniques of cast on and bind off.

### **Materials for class**

- Pattern: Basic Sock in 2 Gauges
- Yarn of desired weight (per pattern)
- DPNs of size appropriate for yarn weight

Sunday, Jan 29, Feb 5, Feb 12  
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm  
\$60/three sessions

## RELEASING BLANKET - COMPASSIONATE KNITTING FOR AILING PETS

### **Kateyanne Unullisi**

You're doing everything you possibly can to help your elderly dog or kitty. But...how are you helping yourself? Your own anxiety and dread may be conveyed to your dog or cat, who have a way of knowing your feelings. How can you head into these last months or years fully present, with less pain and more peace in your heart? The answer is knitting; it's a proven way to help with life's transitions by increasing a calm state of mind. In this class we will knit a 'releasing blanket', and in doing so will also learn tools for being more at peace internally and with your pet. As the great Elizabeth Zimmerman said, "Knit on, with confidence and hope, through all crisis." This class is appropriate for knitters who feel comfortable with knit and purl stitches, and the techniques of cast-on, bind-off, and yarn-over.

### **Materials for class**

- Two skeins of worsted in a color that goes with your pet's coloring
- Knitting needles US 7 or 8, circular, 32 " long
- A photo of your pet

Saturday Feb 4, 11  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
\$40/two sessions

## ADULTS AND KIDS LEARN TOGETHER

### **Rona Zevin**

Children can learn to knit, or practice their skills, with the comfort of knowing a family member or friend is nearby. Adults can also learn or develop their skills at the same time! Please email Rona to schedule a class: [ronazevin@comcast.net](mailto:ronazevin@comcast.net)

### **Materials for class**

- One skein Encore or Cascade 220, wound into a ball
- US 8 (5.0 mm) wooden needles
- Point protectors

One adult and one child - \$45/hour

One adult and two children - \$55/hour

## PRIVATE CLASSES—KNIT, CROCHET, OR NEEDLEPOINT

Personalized, one-on-one time is sometimes helpful to get through a fiber dilemma. We will assist you with your knit, crochet or needlepoint project or technique in a comfortable and supportive environment. Please contact the shop to schedule a class for yourself or a group.

One student—\$35/hour

Two to three students—\$60/hour

## Our Instructors

**Andrée Beddoe** learned to knit when she was 6 years old from a close family friend. In her early twenties she taught herself to crochet because she loved making doilies. After graduating from the University of Washington with an electrical engineering degree, Andrée worked in the corporate world for 20 years. She left Microsoft in June of 2011 and started knitting again to relieve stress while looking for another job, but enjoyed knitting and learning new things so much that she couldn't stop! Andrée has since become a prolific designer and her projects and designs can be found on Ravelry under the name "knitandlive".

**Janet Charbonnier** has been fascinated with fabric and garment creation since she was a child, and at an early age she became an accomplished seamstress. Her love of knitting took root in the 1980s after taking a beginning knitting class at a local yarn shop in Portland, Oregon. She has experience in knitting nearly every type of garment imaginable, but today her favorite knitting projects are sweaters, although she usually has an accessory or two on the needles as well! Janet joined Acorn Street in the 1990s and over the years has used her knitting expertise to guide countless customers with their projects. She truly enjoys helping knitters make garments that fit well and that they will enjoy for years to come.

**Jody McBee** learned to knit at age 10, but has found knitting to be a journey of life-long learning. A family friend bought her some needles and yarn for her 10th birthday and tutored her for several years. She has taught many friends and family members to knit and enjoys sharing her skills with others. Jody is accomplished in knitting lace, sweaters, baby items, socks, scarves, hat, Fair Isle, mittens – in other words, just about everything! Jody is grateful for the long-lasting bonds that come from being part of the knitting community.

**Mary Rourke** is an east coast transplant who considers herself lucky to call Seattle home for the last 18 years. She learned how to knit from her mother as a child, but the bug didn't truly take her until she was in her mid-twenties. Since then her needles have been on overdrive, knitting everything under the sun (including a recent pair of men's underwear!). Mary started working at Acorn Street as part-time Sunday help while also working in high-tech, but has since left the corporate world altogether to become a full-time Staff member. She enjoys her time with all of Acorn's wonderful customers and is grateful for the fun and inspiration that they provide every day.

**Fenella Raymond** learned to knit as a child but promptly went on to other childish pursuits and didn't discover it again until years later, as a 'mature' adult. After spending several years in the Seattle Biotech arena, she is happy to have moved on to a more creative stage of life as the owner of Acorn Street. Although her behind-the-scenes responsibilities don't allow her to be on the shop floor as much as she would like, she greatly enjoys meeting the customers who come through, each with their own individual story. She is grateful to be part of the knitting world, and in this special shop that has been in the community for over 40 years!

**Tatyana Tchibova** moved to the United States 14 years ago, from Moscow, Russia, where she had a career as an engineer. She has been a knitter for over 30 years, and once in the US her passion for knitting and designing took hold. She has designed knitted garments and taught knitting and crochet classes at several shops and organizations in the Seattle area, including Bellevue Community College and the Washington Athletic Club. Tatyana's interests in knitting and crochet are widespread although she particularly enjoys customizing patterns.

**Kateyanne Unullisi** learned to knit on Orcas Island, WA by exchanging knitting for gardening. She used to think, when she was young, that she would learn to knit 'when she got older.' Luckily, she woke up to that silly notion and has been knitting since she was in her 30's. That was almost 30 years ago, and she still isn't old! She and her therapy dog Luna help educate and empower people to have the kind of positive death experiences she knows are possible. She consults with families to help plan and transition their pet's life, and is known for creating funeral memorials and celebrations of life that bring healing and connection. She co-authored *Home Funeral Ceremonies: A primer to honor the dying and the dead with reverence, light-heartedness and grace*.

**Rona Zevin** learned to knit from her grandmother at the age of five years old. Her knitting skills surfaced even at that young age, and soon her lucky dolls were wearing brand new knitted garments (Rona still has the doll clothes she made then!). She went on to teach herself Intarsia and Fair Isle knitting even before she knew what those names meant. Rona is a very experienced knitter and has knit nearly every type of garment and accessory, but these days her focus is on knitting sweaters. Her specialties as an instructor include teaching children, classes on the Magic Loop technique, and how to make a fab scarf from your stash!

## Additional Information

**All students will receive a 10% class discount** on regularly priced merchandise for the duration of the class.

**Please pay in advance to reserve your place in class.** Payment with credit card can be made by phone. If the class minimum is not met, students will be notified prior to the class start date and a full refund will be given.

**Please arrive 15 min. early to your first class** to make sure you have all the materials you Need.

### STORE HOURS

Monday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10:00-6:00; Tuesday & Wednesday 10:00-7:00; Sunday 12:00-5:00

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