

THE ASSOCIATION OF GUILDS OF WEAVERS, SPINNERS AND DYERS

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Newsletter July 2016

Association News

Summer School Seventeen

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Sparsholt 'Simply Special' AGWSD Summer School 13 – 20 August 2017 Sparsholt College Hampshire

Summer School 2017 is to be held at Sparsholt College, Hampshire, Sunday 13th – Sunday 20th August.

This summer school is called 'Simply Special' as the event is being kept simple, all courses are running for the full week also Association Summer School is a unique event in the range of courses offered and the value for money.

An exciting and innovative choice of courses, eighteen in all, are planned, from, weaving, spinning and dyeing, to felt, paper making, knitting, and basketry, some courses and tutors are new to Summer School and some are back by popular demand.

All the tutors come highly recommended, and have been selected for their ability to deliver a truly wonderful 'Simply Special' Summer School course.

Sparsholt, a large and attractive campus, home to Radio 4's Gardeners' Question Time's Potting Shed and garden, is close to Winchester, with its many historic places to visit on the Wednesday afternoon. A small exhibition, 'A Touch of Silk', of work from the south east Guilds is planned at Whitchurch Silk Mill.

Summer School week will include all the usual favourites, a trade fair, silent auction, fashion show, raffle, COA exhibition, with a final celebration of a Gala Dinner.

The brochure will be available, online, from mid September 2016, from summerschool@wsd.org.uk, the AGWDS website www.wsd.org.uk, and will also be emailed to your Guild secretary. Allocation of courses will begin on January 1st 2017, with a 'names in the hat' system for over subscribed courses.

The AGWSD Summer Schools are very special occasions, they are 'Simply Special'.

Janet Crowther Convenor AGWSD Summer School 2017 Kent Guild

Exhibitions

Quaker Tapestry at Chelmsford Cathedral - 20 August – 3 September 2016

A selection of the famous Quaker Tapestry panels, described as 'one of the six best tapestries to see', is a free exhibition and there will be guides on hand to explain the panels.

This is a wonderful exhibition and I am able to send out publicity materials for distribution at future events.

Better still, if you would like arrange a group booking and confirm a time slot and we will arrange a guide to give you an introductory talk, again at no cost. There will also be a shop and café and refreshments can be pre-ordered by your group.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions and if you would like to send me your contact details, I can send some fliers out to you.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Cathedral this summer.

Best wishes,

Clare Broom

The Journal

Journal Vacancy: Spinning Features Editor

A vacancy has just arisen on the Journal Editorial Committee for a Spinning Features Editor. If you are a keen textile enthusiast, organised, computer literate (mainly Word), possess good editing skills and, most important of all, keen to expand your textile horizons, make new friends and develop contacts, then please consider volunteering for this role. Training will be given and all out of pocket expenses, including travel costs to the quarterly meetings held in Central London (Saturdays, 11am-4pm) will be reimbursed. If you would like to find out more please contact Christina Chisholm on chair@thejournalforwsd.org.uk who will be delighted to hear from you!

Journal Vacancy: Treasurer

Next year our current Treasurer, Gretchen Roth, will be retiring from the Journal Editorial Committee, so we are looking to recruit a volunteer to shadow Gretchen for the next few months, with a view to taking over the role in April 2017. You will need to be organised & computer literate for this interesting and important role. Training will be given and all out of pocket expenses, including travel costs to the quarterly meetings held in Central London (Saturdays, 11am-4pm) will be reimbursed. If you would like to find out more please contact Christina Chisholm on chair@thejournalforwsd.org.uk who will be delighted to hear from you!

The Journal is an ideal place to advertise any future workshops, talks or exhibitions or any events relating to WSD. Please send an email to:

diary@thejournalforwsd.org.uk

As soon as you know of a relevant event, either organised by your guild or by others in your locality, and we will do our best to publicise it for you.

Please give us as much notice as possible - the deadline for submissions for each issue is given inside the front cover of the Journal.

We are always on the lookout for guild members, from all over the world to write exhibition reviews - if this is something you could help with, please let me know!

Thank you

Colleen Pope

Links to other groups newsletters

Voluntary Arts Scotland

4 July 2016: http://us2.campaign-

archive2.com/?u=de9d9ee5724c687d10140b436&id=9132a0f4bb&e=4ff6748986

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15 June 2016: http://us2.campaign-

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Craft & Design

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