



## February 20, 2016 MWG Program

Joan Sheridan, Krokbragd, workshop full

**NO REGULAR MEETING**

Joan Sheridan is a weaver, knitter, spinner, fiber explorer and owner of Heritage Spinning and Weaving since 2000. Trained as an educator and curriculum developer by the US Army, she is a natural teacher. Joan volunteers in the textile conservation department at The Henry Ford Museum. She has taught and presented at TNNA, MFF, CNCH, NML&WF, Midwest Fiber & Folk, on-tour in Norway, SOAR and at guilds and shops. She has more than 50 published knitting patterns and has had articles in Alpaca, Handwoven, Wild Fibers, and Spin-Off magazines.

Visit <http://heritagespinning.com/about/> for more information about Heritage Spinning and Weaving, located in Lake Orion.



## March 19, 2016 Program Preview

Mary Underwood, Oscar Beriau and the Quebec Weaving Renaissance

A book introduced during a weaving lesson in 1999 changed Mary's life. Oscar Beriau's book, Home Weaving, was supposed to be a resource for drafts and weaving instruction. Instead it became a portal to an adventure that continues with no end in sight. Just who was Oscar Beriau and why would anyone devote years of research, travel, and way too much disposable income to track him down? Beriau's story and influence is fascinating, as is the road taken to research him. This lecture is a history lesson and trip guide for creating an adventure of your own.

### SCHEDULE:

10:30 AM Board Meeting  
11:30 PM Social Time - light refreshments.  
Bring your own bag lunch if you want.  
12:00 PM General Meeting  
12:30 PM Program

### LOCATION:

Peace Lutheran Church  
17029 West 13 Mile Road  
Southfield, MI

See us on the web: [www.michiganweaversguild.org](http://www.michiganweaversguild.org)

## LOOK WHAT I HAVE DONE

We do not have a regular meeting in February so you have a longer opportunity to working and bring your fiber examples to the March meeting.your projects to



The following are some samples from last months  
*LOOK WHAT I HAVE DONE*



## Some Pictures from the January Program



### Louet Magic Loom with Mechanical Dobby Head for Sale

70 bars and lots of pegs - 26" wide

New for loom and dobbie head and 80 bars would be almost \$7,000.  
Asking \$2,000.

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Next **Newsletter** Deadline

**March 2, 2016**

send any information that may be interesting to members  
to: slolli@comcast.net



## Looking for IDEAS for 2016 - 2017 Lectures and Workshops

Who do you want to hear?  
What do you want to learn?

Share your suggestions with Nancy Peck at [njpeckmc@gmail.com](mailto:njpeckmc@gmail.com)

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### Looking for a new PROGRAM CHAIR.

Nancy Peck has had this position for the last 2 years. She is looking for our next chairperson to train.

Contact her at:  
[njpeckmc@gmail.com](mailto:njpeckmc@gmail.com)

*The success of the guild depends on YOU.*



## Michigan Weavers Guild 2015-16 Remaining Program Line-Up

### March 19, 2016

Speaker: Mary Underwood  
Topic: Oscar Beriau and the Quebec Weaving Renaissance

### April 14-15, 2016

Workshop: Shimmering Colors: The Magic of Iridescence by Bobbie Irwin  
*Workshop full. Warp yarns and information will be send to participants.*

### April 16, 2016

Speaker: Bobbie Irwin, Topic: 'Transparency Weaving'

### May 21, 2016

Summer challenge assignments, Stash Exchange, Annual Potluck, Show and Tell

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## 2014-2015 MWG Board

**Meeting Chair:** Rotates among Board

**Exhibits:** Boisali Biswas

**Hospitality:** Maxine Fontana

**Housing:** Susan Lolli

**Library:** Chris Jeryan

**Membership:** Joan Koelsch

**MLH Representative:** Karen Folland

**Newsletter:** Susan Lolli

**Programs:** Nancy Peck

**Publicity:** Judy Boesky

**Secretary:** Chris Jeryan

**Treasurer:** Joan Koelsch

**Webmaster:** Susan Lolli



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### Rare Threads Ancestral Inspirations Call to Fiber Artists

Ancestral Inspirations, a juried show at the Jordan River Arts Council, will showcase works inspired by our textile legacy. We invite all artists to submit up to three entries.

Submission deadline is August 3, 2016. Entry forms are available at [www.jordonriverarts.com](http://www.jordonriverarts.com).

# Guild History

The Michigan Weavers Guild was formed in 1947.



## 60 Years Ago - February 1956

- Mrs. Ruth Smiley, Home Economist and Director of the Home Advisory Committee of the J. L. Hudson Co. spoke on “Artistic Table Settings”.

## 50 Years Ago - February 1966

- No information found

## 40 Years Ago - February 1976

- No information found

## 30 Years Ago - February 1986

- No information found

## 20 Years Ago - February 1996

- Member Margaret Windeknecht gave a presentation titled “Weaving in Miniature: Fine Tapestry and Dollhouse Scale Rugs.” This had been the subject of her seminar at Convergence in Minneapolis.

## 10 Years Ago - February 2006

- Pat Willims, Eastern Michigan faculty member, presented a slide lecture, “Weaving on a Hand Jacquard Loom”.

## 1947-2017 MWG 70 Years!!

We would like members’ input as to how we can celebrate and acknowledge this guild milestone. Please share your thoughts and ideas with Nancy Peck at [njpeckmc@gmail.com](mailto:njpeckmc@gmail.com)



## LIBRARY CLOSING

It has been decided that we will be dissolving the Michigan Weavers Guild Library. We will first make books available for sale to members. then likely sell or donate the remaining books. Details are still being determined. Information will be available in the future.

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## 2015- 2016 MEMBERSHIP

Annual Dues are \$30

Pay Online / or mail to:

**Joan Koelsch, Membership**

**4361 Arden Place**

**Royal Oak MI 48073**

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## FIBERS IN THE MEDIA

### Forget Photoshop: Just Weave Photos Together with a Loom

An interesting article about an artist who cuts up photographs and weaves with them.

<http://www.wired.com/2016/02/lala-abaddon-forget-photoshop-just-weave-photos-together-with-a-loom/>



## MWG AWARD

Congratulations to Leigh Ann Mills who won the Michigan Weavers Award at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center 2016 Student Works Exhibit for her piece titled "Purple Haze."

The exhibit is open until February 19.



### Michigan League of Handweavers Summer Workshops June 2016

Save the dates June 3, 4, and 5, 2016 so that you can attend the 2016 MLH Workshops. We have an exciting lineup for you with Su Butler, Rosalie Nielson, Joan Sheridan, Suzie Krage, Jennifer Gould, Heather Winslow, Dianne Totten and Mary Sue Fenner. More Information will be coming next month and be sure to check your mailbox for the workshop brochure. Registration began on February 1, 2016.



The Handweavers Guild of America, will be having its bi-annual conference in Milwaukee July 30-August 6. "If you weave, spin, dye, make baskets, or use one of the many other fiber techniques we love, plan to be with us for this premier fiber experience! Join thousands of fiber enthusiasts and hundreds of vendors from all over the world, exhibiting and sharing their knowledge. Convergence® classes include novice to advanced instruction in a variety of fiber techniques". Registration opened December 15.