

Announcements

This summer the Colorado Basketmakers Guild is hosting a 3-day workshop series with Mary Hettmansperger, a multi-media fiber artist who has taught at conventions and workshops around the country. She is the author of two books and is currently working on a third. She is not only an excellent teacher, but a very interesting person as well. Her workshops are always fun. At this time, there are just 2 openings remaining in each of the classes. *Class location:* the community room at the Police Station (Falcon Division), 7850 Goddard St., Colorado Springs. (near North Academy Blvd. and Kelly Johnson Road). Interested? Questions? Please contact Gail Necker, 719-687-6391.



WALKING STICK BASKET

Friday, July 24, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

Saturday, July 25, 8:30 am - noon

Teaching fee: \$55

Materials fee: \$65

The concept of the Walking Stick Basket is that, when you are walking in the woods, you will have a basket in which to put your findings as you collect them – right on your walking stick! Using a piece of wood as a walking stick, students will create a frame of heavy round reed that will support a rib construction basket. Reed will be the weaving material. The basket itself will be drilled and set along the length of the stick which will make the basket sturdy and a part of the stick. This is a very involved rib construction but easily understood.



RIB PLAY BASKET

Saturday, July 25, 12:45 pm to 4:30 pm

Teaching fee: \$20

Materials fee: \$45

Students will explore rib construction with willow framework. Students will learn how to manipulate the ribs to accommodate the frame. Rib construction will be examined and approached in an easy to understand fashion

NOTE: You are not required to take the Walking Stick Basket in order to take this class, but if you choose to take this class without the other, rib basketry experience is a must since this basket will NOT be completed in class. This is only a 1/2 day class to get you set up. We will be creating the rib framework – drilling and gluing into wood and getting the foundation laid. Your materials fee includes all the material you need to complete the weaving on your own.