Major Workshop Silk Spinning With Celia Quinn

Immerse yourself in luxurious silk, as we spin many forms of the fiber from smooth and lustrous top, and the exotic blends with other fibers, to the extremely long caps and hankies, as well as the textured carded silks, and the shortest form, silk noil. Expand cocoons to make squares of silk called Mawata, traditionally used for batting in Japan. Dye silk caps and hankies for different color effects. Experience the wonder of reeling a sheer thread from cocoons. Lectures include fiber properties, sericulture, care of silk, and spider silk.

We will begin our exploration into silk spinning with Celia Quinn at Table Rock Llamas where we will jump into dyeing silk caps and hankies (spinning this day too). The next two days will find spinning us at the beautiful Penrose House nested at the base of Cheyenne Mountain. Three full days of silk fiber luxury.

The workshop is scheduled for March 30, 31, and April 1, 2010. The estimated cost for the workshop is \$175 plus \$30-materials fee. We are limited to 20 people in this workshop (with 9 people already signed up) and a \$60 deposit will hold your spot. Please contact Heidi Bates (babyweave@msn.com).

Celia has taught workshops extensively across the U.S. since 1983. She knits, weaves and crochets, with an emphasis on garments and household textiles. She has spun everything from rope to sub-sewing thread, and still holds Spin-Off Magazine's fine spinning record for cotton, at approximately 83, 000 yards per pound. Her thoughts on spinning can be found in many back issues of Spin-Off. She calls Alaska home.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn from one of the best spinners. Sign up today. To meet the terms of our contract I will be opening the class up to outside guilds after the November guild meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alternative Gift Fair and Bake Sale

Broadmoor Community Church 315 Lake Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80906 October 24, 2009, 9:30 am--4:30 pm

Thirty non-profit organizations will bring African crafts, traditional Tibetan arts, Peruvian alpaca sweaters, hand crafted jewelry and Guatemalan woven textiles, silk scarves from Laos and Southeast Asia, coffee and note cards from Rwanda, hand made jewelry from Ethiopia and Uganda, hand embroidered clothing from India, hand woven shawls from Nepal and one-of-a-kind crafts and food from Colorado. All proceeds go back to the non-profits for their work in helping to alleviate hunger, poverty, disease and illiteracy around the world. There is no charge to attend. Cash and checks are encouraged, and Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Proceeds from the Bake Sale are used to defray expenses of the Fair. **Put this event on your calendar and plan to do all of your Christmas shopping at the Fair! Directions to the Fair**: take Exit 138 (Circle Drive) west from I-25. Circle Drive becomes Lake Ave. The Broadmoor Community Church is less than 2 miles on the left. **For information,** contact: Carol Wilkinson at 719-576-4530.