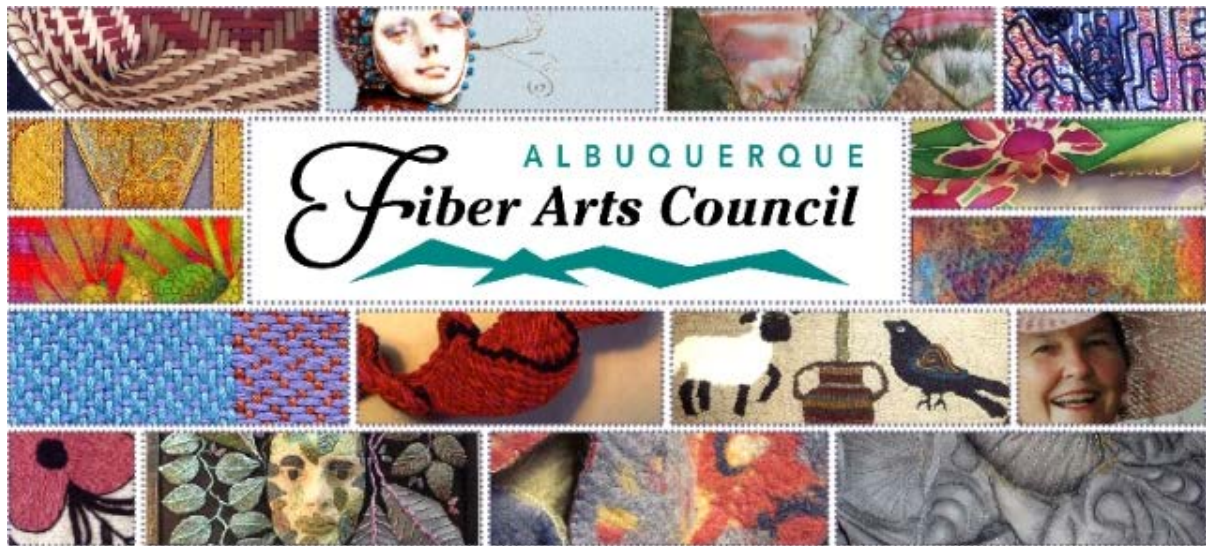


Gearing Up for Fiesta.

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"FIESTA on my mind..."

I cannot say enough, or wish enough or wait enough until ABQ Fiber Arts Fiesta 2017 happens. I have boosted my spending limits for May, charged my phone for plenty of pictures, and trying to catch up on sleep for three action-packed-fun-filled-eye-popping days. Hope you will join us! Send us pictures! Give us feedback! See you in a couple of weeks...

I have tried to offer only a few items this month--so be sure not to miss the Youth Scholarship Opportunity and the coming NM Fiber Directory (We give you a sneak peek.) AND, if you are local, there is a GREAT Fiesta TEASER at Erna Fergusson Public Library for the whole month of May (3700 San Mateo NE, ABQ)..

AND, there is lots more to do. Visit the ABQ Fiber Arts Council [Events](#) page. If you are reading our newsletter as a forward from a friend; or just happened to find us, why not [subscribe](#) and **get it delivered to your very own mailbox!** and a movie:

Yarn - view a trailer at <http://www.yarnfilm.com/movietrailer/>
May 19 to May 21 (Friday to Sunday 6pm ONLY)

THE GUILD CINEMA
3405 CENTRAL AVE. NE
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87106
tel: (505)255-1848
www.guildcinema.com

--Your Editor

The Countdown is measured in days -- and, it's almost here.

How many opportunities do we have to see fiber art work done by a community of artists dedicated to the preservation of their art form and willing to share it with friends, neighbors and the public? Sadly, not as many as that sentence is long! The Albuquerque Fiber Arts Council brings YOU to that opportunity every other year by sponsoring the FIBER ARTS FIESTA.

This is the year!! FIESTA will take place on **May 19, 20 and 21** at Expo New Mexico in the Manuel Lujan complex from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm each day. For your \$8 admission you will be treated to more than visual overload with 19 fiber art guilds sharing the making of their art as you travel through both buildings. Don't be shy about asking questions. Guild members want to share with you what they do and why they do it. Some guilds will provide hands-on activities where you can learn to do what you are seeing.

That's the 'hook'! Once you know how to make a beautiful piece of lace, a beaded pendant or bracelet, or you've spun your first piece of yarn on a spinning wheel, you have the raw materials for continuing your new hobby right there in the building. Fiber Art vendors have come from across the country to make your new artistic aspirations come to life. There are supplies for making your first doll, including patterns, fabrics, trims and buttons. Do you want to do more spinning? Several of the vendors will show you the wool roving they have hand dyed in every color of the rainbow. (Not all wool comes from sheep. Check out the alpaca fibers—even bamboo or perhaps, buffalo.)

Maybe you don't want to make your own nuno-felted scarf or hand-dyed garment. You will find vendors with items already made, ready to try on and purchase. While some vendors have made the garments, scarves, hats and coats themselves, others travel the world to bring you items from Japan, China, Africa and eastern European countries where artisans create ethnic articles ready for your purchase.

Do you want to learn to quilt like the beautiful quilts in the exhibit sponsored by a committee of 5 local quilt guilds? There is fabric to fondle, colorful thread to admire and several brands of long-arm quilting machines you could learn to master. Three days hardly seems like enough time to take it all in but it will be a lot of fun to try!
I am going to!

Anita McSorley
FIESTA Director

****Fiesta Dates: May 19-21, 2017, Friday through Sunday at EXPO NM in the Manual Lujan Building, 300 San Pedro Blvd. NE, Albuquerque NM. The show is open from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm all three days!****

Corrales Art Studio Tour

**Saturday and Sunday, May 6-7
10 am to 5 pm**

It's easiest to begin at the Preview Gallery 'Casa Vieja' on Corrales Road which is a different location from past years. About 80 artists are featured. You can view one piece of art from all the participating artists on the tour. Pick up tour information, the studio map, select the artist venue, and check where to have a bite to eat.

<http://www.corralesartstudiotour.com/>



First ever NM Fiber Crawl May 12, 13 & 14

It is a two-day event kicking off Friday night and spanning Albuquerque, [Taos](#), [Española](#), and Santa Fe. Designed for fiber enthusiasts such as knitters, spinners, weavers, felters, crocheters, etc. the sites include galleries, stores, fiber artists' studios, museums and fiber animal farms.

The Albuquerque hub site The Yarn Store at Nob Hill, 120 Amherst Drive NE. Take Lomas to Carlisle to avoid the construction on Central.

On Saturday 10-5 and Sunday 10-4, May 13 & 14, The Yarn Store will have outdoor shaded spaces for local fiber artists to sell their work. Anyone making things with yarn is welcome. No fees and no commissions, but please email Celeste at crossiter@yahoo.com to schedule your times.

In Santa Fe, El Museo Cultural in the Rail yards is having an opening reception of their juried fiber arts exhibit on Friday May 12 from 5:30-7:30. There will also be demonstrations and refreshments.

To join the crawl you must first pick up a Fiber Crawl **passport** any participating site or download it here: <http://www.nmfibercrawl.org>.

Get your passport stamped and turn it in at any hub for a Grand Prize.

Need to De-STASH?

The Modern Quilt Guild is planning another sale this August.

Tables are limited, so if you want one to sell your stuff contact Melissa now ([more](#))

We will publicize the event for "shopping" as we move closer to the summer months.



QUILT SHOW

STABLES GALLERY*
FREE ADMISSION

SAT., MAY 27, 10-6
SUN., MAY 28, 10-5
MON., MAY 29, 10-4

Taos High Country Quilting & Needlecraft Guild

133 Paseo Del Pueblo Norte (next to Kit Carson Park, and behind the Historic Taos Inn)

One Bit, one Piece this month...

ASG Silent Auction Fundraiser

May 11th 6pm to 7pm

Asbury Methodist Church, 10000 Candelaria NE, ABQ

A wonderful opportunity to mingle and munch while you peruse treasures in a silent auction open to members of any guild. Come one, come all! (10% proceeds donated to ASG.)

Anyone interested in participating as a seller in the Silent Auction, please have your item(s) delivered to the church on May 11th between 4 and 5 pm for registration and set-up or call Leslie at 281-5993 or 228-9453. Only first quality, whole



It's finally happening!

The 2017-2018 New Mexico Artists' Studio Tour Guide is already online and the printed Guide will soon be arriving across New Mexico.

You can view the entire 2017 Guide online at www.NMASTGuide.com

The Albuquerque Modern Quilt Guild

is offering *SCHOLARSHIPS*
to boys and girls in grades 6 - 12*



Apply for a scholarship that includes:
Sewing machine, accessories kit, lessons, fabric and more!



*Applications are available at Hip Stitch or at
www.hipstitchabq.com, or contact Kathy Weil at
kathryn.weil@yahoo.com*

* 2017-18 School Year

Applications accepted May 19 - June 5, 2017.

Links: www.hipstitchabq.com or kathryn.weil@yahoo.com

Birds of a Feather, Woven Together

Group exhibition, Tapestry Artists of Las Arañas



Crane: Elizabeth Buckley
Photo: Nancy Wohlenberg

Featured Tapestry Artists of Las Arañas
 Ann Blankenship
 Elizabeth Buckley
 Evelyn Campbell
 Karen Crislip
 Mary Colton
 Mary Cost
 Karen Ferner
 Naomi Julian
 Dan Klinglesmith
 Judy McCarthy
 Mary Moore
 Cat O'Connor
 Vivian Skadron
 Karen Stauch
 Sharon Van de Velde
 Jaye Whorton
 Nancy Wohlenberg

June 2 – August 13
Reception Area
Open Space Visitors Center
6500 Coors Blvd. NW
9am – 5pm
closed Mondays and Tuesday,
July 4



Nest: Mary Colton
Photo: Mary Colton

Opening Reception
Friday, June 2 from 4 – 6 pm



Bird: Ann Blankenship
Photo: Ann Blankenship



SongBird/Crane: Sharon Van de Velde
Photo: Sharon Van de Velde



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FIBER ARTS CENTER

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Española Valley Fiber Arts Center
 325 Paseo de Oñate
 Española, NM 87532

www.EVFAC.org

The American Sewing Guild (ASG)...
and Nob Hill Fabrics

First Day of School Sewing Project

What: A community service project sponsored by the American Sewing Guild in conjunction with the APS Title I Homeless Project, providing needy children with a new outfit to wear when they begin the school year.

Who: First graders are chosen by the Title I Homeless Project from a local public school.

When: Complete outfits can be turned in until July 10, 2017

Where: Garments can be delivered to Jane Casey at regular ASG meetings on the 2nd Thursdays of the month, 6:30pm, at Asbury Methodist Church, 10000 Candelaria NE.

Donations will be accepted at Nob Hill Fabrics and Jane can be contacted at 505-884-7844, janecasey@juno.com

Guidelines: Contact Liz at Nob Hill Fabrics (liz@nobhillfabrics.com) or Jane for outfit descriptions.

Nob Hill Fabrics is located at
4401 Cutler NE Ste. C
Albuquerque NM 87110
505.266.0674
liz@nobhillfabrics.com



ROAD TO ENCHANTMENT WITH ART DOLLS AND MIXED MEDIA

July 19-23, 2017

Nativo Lodge, Albuquerque

Registration for 3 days of classes, an opening night welcome party, the final night closing banquet, a huge discount on a vendor table and a chance to meet dollmakers from all over the country
Or, come just to:
Try it...Take an evening class
Visit the sales room
Be a vendor selling dolls or dollmaking related items.

Enter a challenge doll illustrating the theme: **ROAD TO ENCHANTMENT**

Be a volunteer ...

Attend the closing banquet ...

And get a chance to bid on one of a kind artist dolls

For more information see our website www.Roadtoenchantment.org

Sponsored by Kokopelli's Enchanted Dolls



The Rocky Mountains provide the backdrop as the Estes Park Wool Market celebrates its 27th year on June 10 – 11, 2017. Treat yourself to workshops with nationally recognized instructors prior to the market on June 8 – 9. Enjoy the animal shows and shopping for handmade designs, fiber art supplies and tools of the trade.

www.epwoolmarket.com

MADE IN NEW MEXICO: STRUCTURAL DIVERSITY
NEW MEXICO STATE CAPITOL GALLERY
Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA
through August 17, 2017

Venue Info:

New Mexico State Capitol Gallery
411 State Capitol
Santa Fe, NM 87501.



Mark this Calendar Page....

Every month we try to highlight some of the happenings in our area. Sometimes we will showcase a past event, and sometimes we will promote an upcoming event. Space and pictures and content and WHATS NEW are all considerations.

The **Albuquerque Fiber Arts Council** will share your events and calendar, too..

We want to hear from you! Did you go somewhere we suggested? Write and tell us what you think--or send us your picture! Email to [Editor](#)

[Link](#) for Current Events and Opportunities.



Meeting and contact information for Albuquerque Fiber Arts Council's co-sponsoring guilds:

[Adobe Wool Arts Guild \(AWAG\)](#)
[Albuquerque Modern Quilt Guild \(NMQA\)](#)

[Am. Sewing Guild, Alb. Chapter](#)
[Bead Society of New Mexico](#)

[Desert Designs Machine Knitting Guild](#)
[Dropped Stitch Knitters Guild](#)
[Duke City Applique Society](#)

[East Mts. Cast 'n' Knits Guild](#)
[EGA Turquoise Trail Chapter](#)

[Enchanted Lacemakers Guild](#)
[Kokopelli's Enchanted Dolls](#)

[Las Arañas Spinners & Weavers Guild](#)
[Mixed Media Textile Artists of NM](#)
[New Mexico Crochet Guild](#)

[New Mexico Polymer Clay Guild](#)
[NM Quilters' Assoc. Inc.](#)

[New Mexico Silk Painters' Guild](#)
[Studio Art Quilt Associates](#)

[Swedish Weavers](#)
[Thimbleweed Quilters](#)

More information about [events](#), [classes](#), and [opportunities](#).

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