

## Fifth Annual Coiling Convergence April 1, 2023

Registration is Online  
and Opens 12:01am  
February 21<sup>st</sup>

**Northwest Basket Weavers, Vi Phillips Guild is pleased to host the Fifth Annual Coiling Convergence.** The event will take place on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at the Meridian Grange near Kent, Washington. **NOTE: This year, registration and payment for classes will be online.** It's easier for you, and it's easier for us.

We have 4 classes to choose from, including 2 classes for beginners. Class information can be found below on page 2 of this form. Classes are limited to 8 students. Costs for classes are \$30, which is \$15 for materials and \$15 to help offset the Guild's costs such as rental and teaching fees.

If you want to join us but not take a class you can browse the Guild merchandise and basket materials, or join the group enjoying Free Weave.

If you are intending to attend, please read the information below and then register for the event. Please register even if you are not intending to take a class so we have an idea of how many people are coming.

Registration and payment for classes is online this year for the first time. It's a 2-step process. First you register to join us on the April 1<sup>st</sup> and mark your class choices. Second, you make a payment of \$30 if you wish to take a class. You will be refunded if you do not get into a class.

If you have questions, or need help with registration, please contact Vicky or Myra at [coilingconv@nwbasketweavers.org](mailto:coilingconv@nwbasketweavers.org)

If you need to cancel you must contact Vicky or Myra at [coilingconv@nwbasketweavers.org](mailto:coilingconv@nwbasketweavers.org) before March 25<sup>th</sup> to receive a full refund if you signed up for a class.

**COVID:** For safety reasons we are asking everyone to please following these precautions:

- Masks are required.
- COVID vaccinations are recommended, but not required.
- If unvaccinated please self-test no more than 2 days before the event.
- Do not come to event if you feel sick or have been in contact with somebody who has COVID. Please contact Vicky and Myra at [coilingconv@nwbasketweavers.org](mailto:coilingconv@nwbasketweavers.org) if you have to cancel.
- Also, anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

### General Overview of Event:

- **Place:** Meridian Grange; 15422 SE 272nd Street; Kent WA 98042
- **Time:** 9:30-3:30; date: April 1, 2023
- **Bring:** your enthusiasm, projects to work on, projects for Show and Share, money to buy materials. No food will be served, but you may bring food for yourself. There is a large kitchen area with tables and chairs for socializing, eating, and working on projects. Unfortunately, the area where the classes happen is a dance floor, so NO food and beverages are allowed there.

Besides classes, the activities will include:

- **Door Prizes**
- **Show and Share:** tables for everyone to bring samples of their work so the rest of us can get new ideas. **Free Weaving:** an area for you to craft and socialize, share stitches, techniques, stories.
- **Coiling supplies for purchase**

**Coiling Convergence Organizers:** Vicky Nickelson, David Chambers, Jim Shanower, Karen Sherwood, Barbara Osborne, Richard Vogt and Myra Tanita.

### See Class Descriptions Below

Please be aware that photography will be allowed and may be used by the NWBW Guild for publicity. Lighting is a challenge, a battery operated light, such as a headlamp or USB chargeable Ott light, would be helpful. Please NO electrical cords!

**Class A. Basic Spiral Stitch Coaster**

**Instructor:** Jim Shanower (16 years coiling)

**Fee:** \$30

**Class is Full**  
**2/21 @ 9pm**

**Skill Level:** All Levels

**Class Description:** Beginning with a wooden base, the student will create a coaster while learning the basic interlocking spiral stitch, how to keep the stitch interval consistent and the coil size uniform using a gauge.

**Required Tools:** sharp pointed scissors, needle nosed pliers and a thimble

**Class A. Basic Spiral Stitch Coaster**



**Class B. Beginning Gourd Class**

**Instructor:** Karen Sherwood (35 years making baskets)

**Fee:** \$30

**Class is Full**  
**2/23 @ 9pm**

**Skill Level:** All Levels

**Class Description:** In this class students will be instructed in how to cut and prepare gourds, then work with a gourd that has been prepared by Karen to combine with a pine needle rim. The coiling instruction will focus on smooth starts and stops. The bowl pictured in the front is similar to what students will be making; the other containers are decorated with pyrography (wood burning) and are examples of what you can do next.

**Required Tools:** small sharp scissors

**Class B. Beginning Gourd Class**



**Class C. Pine Needle Earrings**

**Instructor:** Vicky Nickelson (50+ years coiling)

**Fee:** \$30

**STILL ROOM**  
**2/23 @ 9pm**

**Skill Level:** Previous Coiling Experience

**Class Description:** You will begin by learning the double buttonhole stitch to cover a lightweight plastic form. The buttonholes are utilized to begin the pine needle coil, with your favorite stitch. The wheat stitch instructions will be included. The center of the form is embellished with your choice of beads and earring findings to finish. An assortment of beads and binding threads will be provided.

**Required Tools:** small sharp scissors, needle nose pliers

**Class C: Pine Needle Earrings**



**Class D. Lids That Fit**

**Instructor:** Barbara Osborne (10 years coiling)

**Fee:** \$30

**Class is Full**  
**2/23 @ 9pm**

**Skill Level:** Previous Coiling Experience

**Class Description:** You will learn 2 basic lid variations and how to make them fit snugly on your baskets. We will use wooden centers with enough pine needles to make two small lids. You may bring a small basket that needs a lid, or use one of the containers available (like the water glasses pictured). Learning the sizing technique is really what this class is about.

**Required Tools:** small sharp scissors and your favorite coiling tools

**Class D. Lids That Fit**



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