



July - August

Summertime Knitting

Summer is upon us and many of you will be going off in different directions. However we want to keep you all connected to this shop. Especially since we have been busy planning for **the most exciting fall** we will experience here at the shop.

Stitches East is coming back to Hartford in late October, **Beth Brown-Reinsel** and **Sally Melville** are teaching wonderful workshops that you can't afford to miss, and we have our **Fall Knitting Retreat** weekend.

New fall yarns and patterns will start arriving in July, which will keep us plenty busy.

Of course we'll continue with classes, Purl Girls and Friday Night Open Knitting sessions.

We hope you'll mark some dates on your calendars and join us in the fun. Laura



Latvian Fingerless Mitts

Guest Instructor: Beth Brown-Reinsel

Saturday, November 20th
10am – 4pm

The exquisite knitting methods of Latvia will be studied in this class led by nationally known designer/instructor Beth Brown-Reinsel.

Knit one (of a pair) of fingerless mitts to learn the following techniques which can also be applied to mitten cuffs, sock tops or sleeves:

- scalloped cuff
- herringbone braid
- many subtle and beautiful variations of the half-braid

A choice of two or **three-color traditional motifs** is incorporated in the main part of the glove as well as the **gusset-less thumb** and a **picot edge** at the end.

Additional techniques to be discussed include knitting with two yarns in the right hand, two yarns in the left hand, or a yarn in each hand, as well as knitting with three colors and setting up the knitting for color changes in the braids.

This workshop is for the Intermediate knitter who is proficient with double pointed needles.

\$135 includes workshop and lunch.

Class materials are additional and receive 10% discount.



Sally Melville Returns!

Saturday & Sunday December 4th & 5th

Sally will be teaching three workshops that you don't want to miss:

Saturday 9-noon

First Choices, Basic Shapes

No matter how advanced or experienced we are, we run the risk of making a garment that looks *awful*. Why? We make decisions in the first 20 minutes that have everything to do with the success or failure of a project. What are those decisions? Yarn, color, stitch pattern, silhouette.

This workshop gives diagnostic skills to look at these decisions. And it then follows with basic pattern drafting (and includes the set-in sleeve design). So even if you never design your own knitting, you'll have the tools to alter what you do knit to produce the best possible result.

SKILL LEVEL: anyone

Saturday 1-4 pm

Knit to Flatter and Fit

A knitter who spends the time and energy to make her own clothes should be rewarded with a result that makes her happy and proud. It should fit, it should flatter, and there should be no mystery as to how this happened.

There are a few simple rules to follow; ones that will put the power for successful results into *your* competent hands.

SKILL LEVEL: anyone

Sunday 9 – 4pm

Essential Skills for the Self-Taught Knitter

No matter how advanced and accomplished we are, there are holes in our experience.

This workshop explores the best methods that we should all have in our repertoire. We'll talk about which choices are best suited to each situation and why. And then this workshop provides hands-on experience.

SKILL LEVEL: beginner, intermediate and beyond: participants should have moved past scarf knitting

\$90 – morning or afternoon workshop (includes lunch)

\$165 all day (two workshops & lunch)

Summer **SALE**

In place of a summer sale we are trying something different this year.

Each week we will add two or more sale yarns to the sale table. Sale yarns will be 50 – 75% off. So stop by often to see what is new on the sale table!

All sales are final and the discount applies only to in-stock items.

Monday Night Work-In-Progress Help

Need help with a project? Join Amy and Laura on any one, or more, of these Monday evenings to move your projects towards completion.

July 12th July 26th August 9th August 23rd

6-8pm \$15 per session

Advanced registration is required
(otherwise we may go home that night)

Purl Girls™ Summertime ~ Thursday Evenings

July & August ~ 6-8pm
\$10 per session
\$45 for six weeks

Enjoy the comfort of getting help with your knitting in our air-conditioned living room.



Summer Shop Hours

Monday – Wednesday 10am - 6pm
Thursday 10am – 7pm
Friday 10am – 6pm
Saturday 10am - 5pm
Sunday 1pm - 5pm

Closed
Sunday & Monday, July 4th & 5th

Cell Phone Etiquette

We all have our favorite reasons why we enjoy the shop. I think one thing we can all agree upon is that cell phone usage in the shop can be distracting if not downright annoying.

However, I also know that the cell phone has become an integral part of our lifestyle so....

I would ask that if you must have your cell on in the shop that you show respect by turning it to vibrate if possible.

If you must answer a call, please do so **quietly** or consider moving outside the shop to take the call.

Thank you!

Fall B&B Knitting Weekend

November 12th - 14th

Optional Thursday November 11th extension

Knit, relax, socialize, enjoy fine dining and learn a knitting trick or two. Join us for an optional Thursday overnight if you would like to extend your time away.

Weekend Rate:

\$425.00 (per person) for shared occupancy ~ when you sign up with a friend

\$600.00 for single occupancy

Thursday Extension:

Thursday lodging, 3 additional meals, taxes and tips

Add \$187.00 (per person double occupancy) or

\$250.00 (single occupancy)

The retreat weekend fee covers all your lodging, meals, optional class, taxes and tips. All you will be asked to pay for are class materials and any alcoholic beverages you select.

Maryrose's suggestion: Make small monthly payments; by the time the weekend arrives you are paid for.

For more details see our website or pick up a flyer at the shop.



Friday Night Open Knitting (July & August Dates)

7-9pm

The shop will be open on the following Fridays in July and August for open knitting:

July 9th & 23rd
August 6th & 20th

Stitches East 2010: Thursday October 28th – Sunday October 31st Hartford Convention Center

Put these dates on your calendar!

Plan to visit our booth at this huge knitter's convention.

If you have never been to a Stitches event, this is your chance to take classes with some of the finest instructors.

We'll let you know our booth number as soon as it is assigned so you can stop by and see what fun products we're taking to the show!

For more details, check out:

<http://www.knittinguniverse.com/flash/events.php>