



The Studio

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May Trunk Shows Have Something for Everyone!

FOR NEEDLE POINTERS...

Zooming into the Studio on May 10 is a totally fun trunk show from A Pocket Full of Stitches. Make a three dimensional car of your dreams...you know, the ones you can't afford like a Porsche or Jaguar or a Mini-Cooper. The collection also includes race cars, London double decker and school buses, fire engine, pick up trucks, ice cream trucks, the iconic Woody station wagon from the past and more. Great gifts for the car geeks!

Also arriving will be a super collection of toppers, tiny garments that can be assembled and hung on tiny hangers. Choose from Santa jackets, camo shirts, pilgrim, Dracula and many more. But don't wait too long—this trunk show will be zooming out of the Studio on May 30.

FOR KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS...

Once again, the gals from Anzula Hand painted Yarn are making the Studio one of its stops on a cross country trek. These drive-by events are everyone's favorite as we get to see, touch and yes, purchase Anzula's latest and greatest yarn. The U-Haul pulls up and out comes the vintage suitcases full of luxurious yarns in all different weights and the patterns to use them with.

But this IS a drive-by—an afternoon stop in our fair city. So put this on your calendar now, Sunday, **May 24, 1-4 pm**. This may be worth staying in town for the Memorial Day weekend. Then you can spend the Monday holiday reveling in your new yarn. Sounds like a great holiday plan to us!

Join in the Kansas City PIANOS ON PARADE Project

As mentioned in the last e-news, the Kansas City Music Teachers Association (KCM- TA) and Keys 4/4 Kids are partnering together in honor of KCM- TA's 100th birthday to bring the event **PIANOS ON PARADE** to the greater Kansas City area.

This event will place beautiful decorated pianos painted by local artists all over Kansas City. But we don't paint in paint...we paint in YARN! Yes, the Studio is going to be **YARN-BOMBING** an upright piano! How cool is that?!? And it will be on display all summer—popping up at events and showcasing the many talents of our Studio customers.

But we need everyone's help to make this happen. Here's what you can do:

—Look through your stash for yarn swatches, pieces of projects you never finished or left-over yarn you can quickly knit or crochet into a square. Bring these to the Studio.

—Thursdays and Sundays in May at the Studio are the "stitch together" days. Cindy has photos of our piano and the dimensions we have to cover. Come help us stitch pieces together or make pieces to stitch together.

—Come to Union Station on Saturday, May 23 where our piano will be waiting for us to yarn bomb it. Bring your needles and left over project yarn for the stitching.



TECHNIQUE CLASSES



“How To” Classes! Learn to Knit or Crochet

Learn the basics of how to knit or crochet. The two hour-one session Crash Courses in knitting or crochet will provide you with basics you need to get started and are best for reacquainting yourself with a long lost skill. The four hour-two session Learn to Knit/Crochet are especially helpful if you have never knit or crocheted. If purchasing materials the day of the class, please allow time before the class starts to make your selections. Instruction is **\$10** if class materials are purchased at The Studio or \$25/\$30.

Crash Course in Knit or Crochet

Crash Courses are \$10 if you buy supplies at the Studio or \$25.

Crash Course in Knitting Dates/Times:

Friday, May 8, 1-3 pm OR Thursday, May 21, 2-4 pm OR Wednesday, June 3, 11 am-1 pm OR Tuesday, June 23, 3-5 pm

Crash Course in Crochet Dates/Times:

Saturday, June 13, 2-4 pm
(You will start a dishcloth in class.)

Rowan Mystery

Crochet-Along

There is still time to join Rowan Yarn's first ever Crochet-Along. The first clue was released March 25, 2015, and Debra Lea has been hosting Crochet-Alongs after each new clue. It is easy to catch up as Rowan has provided all kinds of online support. Or just dive in now for the remaining three classes.

Participants have a choice of making a baby blanket, a shawl or smaller cushion or scarf designs. Isn't it about time that you learned a little bit more about crochet?

Dates/Time: Wednesdays, May 6, 20 & 27, June 10, 5:30-7 pm

Fee: \$25 per class + Supplies

Please note: If you have already attended a few classes in this Crochet Along, you may be eligible for our Take 3-4th class **FREE** discount.

Learn To Knit/Learn To Crochet

Do you prefer to learn in a more relaxed setting? Then these *two-session* “Learn To...” classes are for you. “Learn To...” classes are **\$10** if you purchase class materials at the Studio or \$30.

Learn to Knit Class Dates/Times:

Wednesdays, May 13 & 20, 5:30-7:30 pm OR Saturdays, June 20 & 27, 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Learn to Crochet Class Dates/Times:

Mondays, May 11 & 18, 5:30-7:30 pm OR Thursdays, June 4 & 11, 6-8 pm *(You will make a flower and start a scarf)*

OOPs!!!!

Mistakes happen. The important thing is that you know how to fix them when they do; rather than throw your project into the back of the closet and forget about it. In this class, Jessica Kerrigan will teach you techniques to handle some fairly common mistakes made by even the best of knitters. Dropped a stitch—10 rows below where you are now? Don't rip, learn how to ladder down to it and then back up. This a practical class taught by a very practical knitter who has helped many knitters fix their OOPs as former Studio staff member. Participants will have the opportunity to suggest their own challenges. Please ask about **Homework** when you register. *One Session.*

Date/Time: Sunday, May 17, 2-4 pm

Fee: \$25



PROJECT CLASSES



February Lady Sweater ❀❀❀❀

This swingy lace cardigan, while named February Lady, is ideal for a light weight summer sweater for cool evenings or cold offices. It is lovingly based on Elizabeth Zimmermann's classic "Baby Sweater on Two Needles," from *Knitter's Almanac* but made grown up sizes. Since first introduced in 2009, it has found its way in 13,000+ queues on Ravelry and even has its own Wiki page full of different ways to alter the pattern. Plus it will be taught by one of the Studio's best garment makers, Lynn Haffner. Can't beat that!

Please download the free pattern from the Ravelry library and make a gauge swatch before the first class. *Four Sessions.*

Dates/Time: Thursdays, May 21, June 4 & 18, July 2, 6:15-8:15 pm

Fee: \$40 + Supplies

Gramps Baby Sweater ❀❀❀

We think it's hilarious how babies sometimes look like old geezers, so we created this shawl-collared grandpa cardigan for your grouchy little old man! Suit him or her up and no matter how grumpy, your child will be certainly be styling.

And YES, despite reasonable common-sense notions, babies DO require pockets to store their tiny little pipes, and patches to prevent them from wearing holes through the elbows of their cardigans after years of use! You can even make a matching sweater for yourself or grandpa or grandma. Knit from the neck down and seamless, this pattern is easy and fast to make. It can be downloaded from the Ravelry library for \$7. *Three sessions.*

Dates/Times: Saturdays, June 20 & 27 and July 11, 2-4 pm

Fee: \$35 + Supplies

Riband Wrist Cuff or Necklace ❀❀

Riband is a 34" long strand and is based on a simple 4-stitch, 2-row repeat. It only requires 10 yards of fingering or lace weight yarn and coordinating beads.

Riband can be worn as a necklace, or a cuff and is perfect for throwing on with a t-shirt and jeans as we head into the warmer months. Download the \$5 in store pattern from Ravelry and be sure to check the supply list for the size and number of beads and clasp you need to purchase before class. Younger crafters welcome. One Session.

Date/Time: Sunday, June 21, 2-4 pm

Fee: \$25 + Supplies

CustomFit to Knit with Cindy ❀❀❀❀

Custom Fit to Knit is a program created by Amy Herzog, our popular guest instructor at the 2014 Winter Retreat. The CustomFit program creates customized patterns for hand-knit sweaters. The Studio is a CustomFit shop, where staff have been trained to take you through the CustomFit program from start to finish in a one hour individualized appointment. You will be introduced to the Amy Herzog's Knit to Flatter concepts, be measured professionally (over 20 different measurements!), select your pattern and yarn and learn how to make a CustomFit gauge swatch.

WHY CustomFit? This program takes *your* choices, *your* body and *your* hand-knit fabric and produces a pattern perfectly suited to *you*.

The last Thursday of every month have been designated CustomFit appointment days. Please call (816) 531-4466 to make your appointment with our Studio Manager, Cindy. Don't wait, as appointment times are limited.

Dates: Thursdays, May 28 OR June 25—by appointment only

Fee: \$20 (does not include \$10 pattern)



MORE STUDIO CLASSES & ACTIVITIES



Building in Color Skill Building Classes

There is still time to join this wonderful skill building series by the remarkable Michelle Hunter. This knitting series focuses on color, featuring 10 different color work techniques in horizontal panels that create a beautiful afghan or a smaller lap blanket or even pillow covers. Learn to expertly manage multiple colors with the guidance of Debra Lea. Resources include Michelle's Building in Color book and online videos.

class or just need some support between class sessions. Many of the designs are timeless favorites, some are original creations and ALL of them are deliciously fun! And while you are learning, you can also save. Take 3 classes and the 4th is free. Take 6 sessions and the finishing class is free. Eleven Sessions.

Dates/Time: Tuesdays, May 5-Knit Below, May 19-Make One Purl, June 2—Elongated Stitch, June 16-Mosaic, June 30—Butterfly Stitch

All classes are 5:30-7 pm

Fee: \$25 per session + Supplies

Additional dates in July & August are July 14—Intarsia Cable, July 28—Tuck Stitch and August 11—Finishing Border

Project Monday

Please join Kim Dominic and other Studio customers for a new round of Project Monday. This is where you can bring your project and your yarn and knit away with the undivided attention of a talented knitter and instructor. Who knows, in six sessions, you may even finish that project that has been calling to you from the bottom of your yarn bag, all for a fabulous price! *Six Sessions.*

Dates/Time: Mondays, May 11 & 18, June 8, 15 & 29, 11 am-1 pm

Fee: \$35

Studio Summer Book Club Coming Soon

This year's Summer Book Club is scheduled for July and August and will feature two of our favorite hometown mystery writers, Linda Rodriguez and Sally Goldenbaum. Joan Daniels will once again host these leisurely Sunday afternoon gatherings from 1:30-3 pm, where you can meet the authors, sit and stitch and chat about books with yarn lovers in them. Here is what's on the list:

July 12—Murder in Merino by Sally Goldenbaum

Return to the lovely coastal town of Seaside where the indomitable ladies of the LYS wield their needles to make great projects and their wits to solve murders. This book features an afghan pattern made by our very own Cindy Craig.

August 9—Every Hidden Fear by Linda Rodriguez

Meet up with Skeet Bannion, former big city cop now policing a small town college campus. Skeet has to juggle the arrival of her Cherokee grandmother and the needs of her teenage ward while solving the murder of an unpopular developer. How does this person find time to knit?

How To Pick Your Classes....

One Flower: No prior knowledge/skill required

Two Flowers: Must know basic skills—cast on & knit stitch or chain on and single and double crochet st

Three Flowers: Must know above and purl st or how to crochet in the round

Four Flowers: Must know above & how to increase & decrease & follow a pattern.

Be sure to pre-register, so that you will receive a call if the class is cancelled or changed because of weather or low enrollment.