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# THE *Fiber* GALLERY

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Store Hours:  
M,W,F, 11-6  
Tuesday, 11-9  
Thursday, 11-8  
Saturday, 10-6  
Sunday, 12-5

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## Resources:

### Sit and Knit

All knitters, crocheters and other hand needleworkers are welcome to bring their latest project and join us on **Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m.** and on **Wednesdays from noon to 2 p.m.**, for socializing. All skill levels are welcome.

### Need Help?

Our teachers are on hand every **Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m.** for one-on-one help with anything knit-related. It's only \$10.

### Charity Group

Knitters and crocheters are invited to join us every **Thursday from noon to 2 p.m.** Meet to socialize while you work on a project for the charity of your choice. We have many suggestions. All skill levels are welcome.

### Seattle Spinners

The Seattle Spinners meet at the store on the **first Friday of the month from 6:30 to 9 p.m.** Bring your spindle or wheel.

### Rug Hookers

Our rug-hooking group, led by Maile Jones, meets the **fourth Monday of the month from 6:30 to 9 p.m.** Come learn more about this fun craft!

I want to start off this newsletter with an introduction and a thank you. As many of you know, the store changed ownership in September and I'm the new owner, Megan.

I've met many of you and I want to say thank you for your warm welcome and your

continued support of the store (and your patience as I learn names, stock, and how to use the register).

And, for those of you who I haven't met, I look forward to meeting you soon!

## Hello and Thank You!

## Fun with Stripes: BlueSand Cardigan

I'm excited to announce our winter knitalong, the BlueSand Cardigan by La Maison Rilie. This long cozy cardigan features stripes, a bit of texture, and pockets! The pattern is knit seamlessly from the top down, and offers two options for shoulder/yoke construction.



The first option is a combination yoke version which features a fun take on yoke construction, combining various methods to achieve a soft sloping shoulder line, similar to set in sleeves. The second option is a raglan construction that is a bit of a hybrid between a saddle shoulder and a raglan sleeve. Both versions include charted and written instructions. Overall the pattern has a lot of fun techniques that will keep you engaged.

The pattern's suggested yarn is a DK weight, but a large number of projects on Ravelry have used fingering and sport weight yarns, creating a bit more drape to the sweater's fabric. Our store sample is knit in HiKoo Rylie, a baby alpaca, mulberry silk, and linen blend. The pattern is written for three colors, but we encourage you to mix it up - I've also seen some great single color versions. We'll have sheets in the shop to help you select colors and yarn.

The knitalong kicks off on Saturday, January 14th from 4 to 6 with door prizes, refreshments and lots of help available. Socialization and help sessions are set for Saturdays February 11th and March 11th from 3:30 to 4:30. The finale party is Saturday, April 29th from 5 to 6.



## Basics

**Learn to Knit:** One 2-hour session. Get an introduction to basic terms and kinds of yarns. Learn the basic stitch and get started on your first scarf. Buy or bring supplies. \$25.

- ▶ Every Thursday; 6 to 8
- ▶ Saturday Feb. 11; 10:30 to 12:30

**Beginning Knitting:** Three 2-hour sessions. Get started knitting. Learn to cast on, knit, purl, increase and decrease in this class for novice knitters. Booklet included. Bring or buy

needles and yarn. \$75

- ▶ Saturdays, January 14, 21, & 28; 10:30 to 12:30
- ▶ Saturdays, March 18 & 25 & April 1; 1 to 3

**Continuing Knitting:** Six 2-hour sessions. Take the next step in your knitting. This class is designed to get you moving forward and developing new skills. You choose your project and we will assist you along the way. \$150.

- ▶ Session 1: Wednesdays January 4, 11, 18, 25; February 1, 8

- ▶ Session 2: Wednesdays February 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**Learn to Knit for Kids (and Parents, Too):** One 2-hour session. Learn to knit and start an easy, fun project. Recommended for ages 8 and up. Buy or bring supplies. \$25 per person.

- ▶ Saturday, January 7 10:30 to 12:30
- ▶ Saturday February 4; 10:30 to 12:30
- ▶ Saturday April 1; 10:30-12:30

## Knitting

**Cast On:** One 2-hour session. Do you always start off the same way? Learn three cast-ons with different uses. \$25

- ▶ Saturday January 21; 1-3
- ▶ Saturday April 1; 3:30 to 5:30

**Cast Off:** One 2-hour session. Different cast-offs work for different situations. Expand your repertoire with some new options. \$25

- ▶ Sunday April 30; 12:30 to 2:30

**Cut your Knitting - Steeks:** One 2-hour session. Cutting your knitting doesn't have to be scary. Learn two methods to create steeks. (There's homework before class - contact us for more info when you register). \$25

- ▶ Saturday April 29; 1-3

**Easy Basic Hat:** Two 2-hour sessions. Knit in the round on circular needles and double-points. A great project for beginners who know how to knit. \$50

- ▶ Saturdays, Jan 7 & 14; 1 to 3
- ▶ Sundays, March 12 & 19; 12:30-2:30

**Ishbel Shawl:** Two 2-hour sessions. Knit the popular Ishbel

Shawl by Ysolda Teague. Learn about top-down shawl construction and how to knit lace, including reading charts. \$50

- ▶ Saturday March 11 & 25; 10:30-12:30

**Market Bag:** Two 2-hour sessions. Knit the Ilene Bag, a slouchy market bag with a wide, comfortable strap. A washable cotton or linen fiber will make the bag practical and easy to clean. \$50

- ▶ Saturdays, February 25 & March 4; 10:30 to 12:30

**Lelia Mitts:** Two 2-hour sessions. These cute mitts by designer Cory Ellen Boberg make a great introduction to color work. \$50

- ▶ Sundays, March 12 & 19; 3 to 5

**My First Socks:** Three 2-hour sessions. Learn to work in the round using double-pointed needles, then turn the heel as you create your first sock. This is a great portable project—once you start you'll be hooked. Must be able to knit and purl. \$75

- ▶ Sundays January 15, 22 & 29; 12:30-2:30



### My First Sweater - Spotlight:

Three 2-hour sessions. Scared of sweaters? Want to take your knitting to the next level? Join us to make the Spotlight Sweater by Tin Can Knits. This sweater, which comes in both kid and adult versions, is knit in the round from the bottom up, and includes some fun color-work at the neckline. \$75

- ▶ Saturdays February 4 & 25, and March 11; 1-3

**Sweater Finishing:** One 2-hour session. Stumped by sweater assembly? Learn how to set in leeves, sew shoulders and side seams. Bring a sweater to assemble.

- ▶ Saturday March 18; 3:30-5:30
- ▶ Saturday April 29; 10:30 to 12:30

## Crochet

**Learn to Crochet:** One 2-hour session. Learn chaining, three basic crochet stitches and basic terms. Get started on an easy project. \$25.

▶ Sunday January 8, 12:30 to 2:30

▶ Sunday February 12; 12:30 to 2:30

▶ Sunday, March 5, 12:30 to 2:30

▶ Sunday April 2, 12:30 to 2:30

**Crocheted Beanie:** One 2-hour session. Crocheting in the round, learn to make a basic hat that you can shape as you work. \$25.

▶ Sunday January 29, 3-5

**Granny Squares:** One 2-hour session. Learn how to crochet in the round, change colors and construct a variety of squares that you can build into an heirloom blanket and more. \$25

▶ Sunday, February 26, 12:30-2:30

### Basic Rigid Heddle

**Weaving:** One 5-hour session. Learn to weave on our small, portable Cricket looms. You will warp and weave your first small project in a day. Looms are available for rental (extra charge) or for purchase, or bring your own. Buy or bring supplies. \$50.

▶ Sunday February 5; 12-5

▶ Sunday March 26; 12-5

### Sculpting With Felting

**Needles:** One 2-hour session. Create your own three-dimensional objects such as flowers, animals or dolls using a needle and unspun wool. No prerequisites. Class fee includes fiber, felting needles and foam pad. \$35.

▶ Sunday January 15; 3 to 5

▶ Sunday February 12; 3 to 5

**Rug Hooking:** Three 2-hour sessions. Learn the most common needlepoint stitch and get started on a small, colorful change purse. Supplies included. \$100.

▶ Sundays February 19; 26 & March 5; 3-5

## Et Cetera

### BlueSand Cardigan

**Knitalong:** Our winter knitalong kicks off **January 14th from 4 to 6 p.m.** Join us as we cast on our projects. We'll offer plenty of help plus refreshments and door prizes. If you can't make the party, you're welcome to knit along at your

own pace and join us for other events. Free with purchase of yarn.

**Support Sessions:** Join us for socialization or to get help with your project.

Saturdays February 11 & March 11; 3:30-5:30

**Finale party:** Saturday, April 29th from 4 to 6. Bring your finished (or partly finished!) projects for show and tell. Enjoy refreshments and door prizes.

## Knitalong

**Stranded Magazine Trunk Show:** Be sure to stop by **January 25 - 31** as we host a trunk show featuring designs from Stranded Magazine. Stop by to check out the samples and for help selecting yarns.

**Madrona Fiber Arts Festival** Join us at the Madrona Fiber Arts Festival **February 16-19** at the Hotel Murano in Tacoma. We'll be among several dozen vendors at the marketplace. The festival also features classes and is a great

opportunity to spend time with, and be inspired by other knitters and fiber artists. Visit [www.madronafiberarts.com](http://www.madronafiberarts.com) for more details.

## Events