

SHALL WE KNIT?

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Local Yarn Store Day is a brick-and-mortar yarn shop appreciation day created by TNNA Yarn Group. The inaugural LYS Day will take place on April 21 and is designed to show

support for small businesses while bringing together a unique community of knitters, crocheters, weavers and spinners to drive awareness and celebrate the craft.

Saturday April 21st is Local Yarn Store Day! We're proud to be your LYS, and we'd like to celebrate by giving away a \$50 shop gift card.

From today until 4pm EST on April 21st. We'd love if you shared a picture of one or more (max 3 but only 1 at a time) of your favourite creations (knit, crochet, weaving, needle felting, spinning etc.) using supplies from Shall We Knit.

For every photo you share, on each platform, you'll be entered into the draw. You can share by tagging us (@shallweknit) and using the hashtag #SWKLYSDay on Instagram or Twitter or replying to our contest post on Facebook, or sending us a message through email! Don't forget to give details like pattern and yarn/fiber.

If you don't have a chance to send or tag a picture, come in to the store on April 21st with a favourite piece, and we'll snap a picture for you and enter you into the draw.

Any pictures you share with us, we may share and repost with our followers to show off your excellent creations.

And how about a Saturday Knit & Chat? Because really the best thing about a LYS is the community. So all day Saturday April 21st the classroom on the 2nd floor will be open for a drop in Knit & Chat.



Toronto Knitters Frolic

Saturday, April 28th 9:00 - 4:30

Admission \$8 (cash only)

<http://frolic.torontoknittersguild.ca/>



Prince Edward County Fibrefest

Saturday, May 26th 9:00 - 4:30

Admission \$5

<http://fibrefest.ca/>



2018 Adjudicated Show

June 12, 2018 - 7 p.m

Every second year, Guild members submit knitted projects to be modeled in a fashion show after being adjudicated by a guest designer. This is a celebration of the diversity of members' interests and creativity.

First United Church
16 William Street West
Waterloo, Ontario



Knit in Public and Yard Sale

Saturday, June 9th

10:00 - 3:00

Join us on Saturday, June 9th from 10 - 3 for a Knit in Public event & yard sale. For \$5 you can book 1/2 of a table or space of 1/2 a table (all spaces rentals will be going to Learning for Humanity). OR you can book up to 2 spaces and get a full table.



CLASSES, CLUBS, HELP...

Guided Project Class

Every Tuesday 11:30 - 12:30 (Spring class hours will change)

The popular guided project class is perfect when you need help but can't wait for a special class and you need more than we can help with over the counter. This is dedicated time when you can sign up ahead of time, come with whatever project you are working on, and get help. You can pick a single project and get help with it each week along the way, or you are welcome to bring a new problem to each class and get help with something new each time. Guided Project class is a book as you go - you pay \$10 for an hour of guided time.

Fading Fast with Lynne

Sunday, Apr. 8th 1:00 - 3:00 \$25

Have you seen all the buzz about the "Find Your Fade Shawl" on Ravelry by Andrea Mowry? Knitters have gone bananas for this shawl project where the designer uses a technique which she called "Colour Melting" to blend different yarns into one another. The technique isn't new - around a decade ago the knit world was going mad for "Charlotte's Web" using the same blending method - but the catchy name and updated designs are really inspiring. In the first part of this class we'll talk about the Fade patterns specifically, how to do "colour melting", and what other patterns might lend themselves to fading as well. We will talk over some different approaches to choosing colours and look at some examples. For the second part of the class, students are encouraged to bring yarns from their stash that they want to use in a fade (we will have tags, so they can be kept separate from the shop's stock) and then we will go play in the sock room with the hundreds of options there and help everyone to "find their fade".

Heel Help - Flap & Gusset with Lynne

Sat. Apr. 21st 1:00 - 3:00 \$25

Since 2009, hundreds of sock knitters have taken a toe-up sock class with Lynne. This class provides a new option to work the heel - a toe-up "flap & gusset" construction - that can be used in place of the short row heel in the original class.

This class will expand your sock repertoire and perhaps be the start of a collection of sock toes, heels and pattern stitches that can be used interchangeably, like a sock flip book. The flap & gusset heel has a deeper and wider fit than the short row heel, which may offer a better fit for those who find the short row heel too shallow.

This class will primarily be of interest to students who have already taken a toe-up sock class with Lynne. Registration is open to other sock students, but students **MUST** have sock experience and **MUST** already be familiar with working on two circular needles.

Building with Lace with Janelle

2nd Thurs. of each month starting January 11th

A new skill building club! Knit a beautiful lace shawl, meet once-a-month for ten months, from September to June (two classes are double in length) - once you're signed up you can attend as many or as few as you need. Each class builds on the lace skills learned in the previous month. By the end you'll have a stunning shawl to wear with pride. We work through skills including pattern reading, swatching, working with lace charts, different types of increases and decreases, knitting lace, Japanese stitches, attached edgings, and blocking. Additional techniques include simple cables, wrapped stitches, bobbles, knitting with beads, nupps, and circular lace patterns. You'll walk away from this class with confidence, knowing how to read and evaluate lace knitting patterns and knit them!

Garner Adventure with Janelle

First Thurs. of each month starting Jan. 4th \$15/mo.

Suitable for advanced beginners.

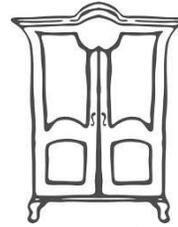
All aboard for the 4th season of Garner Club! We'll continue to meet monthly as we explore techniques used in the ever-growing selection of beautiful garner shawls. Whether you make one shawl or finish six, all are welcome and everyone works at their own pace. Topics may include short rows, colourwork, beading, and attached edgings - although club input does influence topics covered.

Knit Afghan Squares 2018 with Lynne

Starting Jan. 25th 6:30 - 8:30

We've changed the name from our tongue-in-cheek "Square Dancing" but the content remains the same: this class is a once-a-month meeting for a year - once you're signed up you can attend as many or as few as you need. The class is a great way to improve your skills with only a small amount of knitting - a block - each month, and at the end of the year you have an afghan. We work through skills including pattern reading, swatching, basic charts, seaming, and blocking. And we learn how to do simple patterns of purls & knits as well as cables, slipped-stitches, mock cables, increases & decreases and even lace!

Another bonus of this class is that it is priced lower than our regular class cost. Only \$15 per session, plus a one-time purchase of a pattern book at \$21.50, it's a small investment in building your knitting repertoire. We do ask that you purchase your afghan yarn at Shall We Knit? Approximately 7 skeins of Cascade 220 or an equivalent are needed, and we will hold your yarn for you and allow you to purchase it as you use it. 2017 will be our fifth year offering this class - dozens of students have taken part already.



Do you know about our **Sales Closet**? It's actually a full room not just a closet that is only open one week a month - generally the 3rd week of the month but the dates are always on the calendar on our website if you want to verify.

This is where we send discontinued yarns, end of lines, or sometimes just moving out a yarn to make room for a new one in the shop. They are all heavily reduced and are final sale. Just a reminder - the Closet is only open that one week - if you call the following week and need just one more ball it won't happen until the following Closet date next month. We will take a note of what you are looking for and let you know if there is anymore when we have a chance, so you know if you can carry on knitting your project.

Upcoming dates

Apr. 17th - 21st

May 15th - 19th



SPRING & SUMMER HOURS

May 1st - August 31st

Tues. & Wed. 11:00 - 5:30

Thurs. 11:00 - 8:00

Fri. 11:00 - 9:00

Sat. 10:00 - 4:00

Sun. & Mon. CLOSED

CLOSED FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS JULY 10TH - 14TH