

SHALL WE KNIT?

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*Happy
Anniversary*

Join us on Saturday, August 10th from 10 - 3 for our 12th Anniversary Knit in Public event & yard sale. Bring your knitting or crochet or spinning or whatever you are working on and come and hang out with other people with the same passions. Plan on staying for 10 minutes for a quick visit or stay all day - that would be the most fun 😊 We will be having door prize draws throughout the day as well as some special sales in the shop. And then there is the yard sale! People have rented table space for a Fibre yard sale - basically people are selling their stash and there are some mighty fine stashes!

PARKING - As the parking lot will be closed off for the day, we want to remind you of a few spots you can park. There is a gravel lot and a paved city lot just down the street from the shop. The signs that say permit parking are referring to weekday hours, so it is ok to park there evenings or Saturdays. Just don't park on the gravel lot past the dumpster - it belongs to the plaza behind us and you could be ticketed.



SQUIRREL!!! This month we are excited to show you the beautiful colours done with all natural dyes by Donna of Roots & Rain. The colours that Donna gets with her natural dyes gives a totally different look than a lot of the hand dyed yarns out

there. These have almost a water colour look to them and I love that each skein is labelled with what plants were used to dye them.

AND we are working on a trunk show of Roots & Rain yarns for the end of August - dates to be announced soon!

Things coming this Fall

KW Knitters Fair - Saturday, September 14th
Woodstock Fleece Festival - Saturday, October 19th
Berroco yarn tasting with Lynne
Kate Atherley teaching 4 classes October 5th & 6th

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT! We have just had a couple of cancellations for our **Bristol Ivy** knitting retreat September 27th - 29th. A couple people are very sad that they won't be able to make it to this exciting weekend but that means that a couple of fortunate people are going to be able to join us.

We have one double room available as well as ½ of a shared room available. If you are interested, please call the shop and we can talk options.

Join us for a fun weekend away, surrounded by fellow knitters who share the same joy in stitching, in a peaceful and luxurious environment. No cooking, no chores, no children - just a couple of days of stimulating classes, excellent meals, optional spa treatments, a pop-up shop filled with goodies (and exclusives!), and fun in good company.



Koigu Road Trip and Dye class

Sunday, August 11th \$120 includes dye class and materials and catered lunch. (travel expenses will be separate) - **FULL - CALL TO BE PUT ON WAIT LIST**

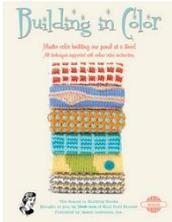
Join us as we travel up to Chatsworth and the home of Koigu. Taiu is going to lead us through a dye class and share some of her wisdom and secrets of colours. And then you can shop the wonders of our favourite yarn. Want to see some of those amazing samples you've only seen online? Koigu has a full wall just of samples!!!

Guided Project Class with Erin

Every other Tuesday in Summer, every Tuesday starting September 10th
11:30 - 12:30 \$10

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.





Building in Color with Erin

Starting Thursday, September 12th 6:30-8:30 and every 2nd Thursday of the month until June

\$15 per session, plus a \$21.50 pattern book
***if all classes are paid prior to first class you will get your book for free

Learn to expertly manage multiple colors while creating a gorgeous sampler afghan. If you loved Building Blocks, then this follow-up book is for you! Many of the designs are timeless favorites, some are original creations, and ALL of them are deliciously fun!

10 colorwork panels combine to make this blanket.

We do ask that you purchase your afghan yarn at Shall We Knit? Approximately 4 skeins of 3 different colours of Cascade 220, Vintage or an equivalent are needed, and we will hold your yarn for you and allow you to purchase it as you use it.

Toe-Up Socks with Lynne

Wednesday, September 18th & October 2nd 1:30 - 3:30 \$50

OR Saturday, September 28th & October 5th 1:30 - 3:30 \$50

Skill Level: Advanced-Beginner/Intermediate Learn how to make the most of your sock yarn by starting your socks at the toes and knitting up until you run out of yarn! We will start with a seamless toe made with a Turkish cast-on. In the second class we will work through a wrap-and-turn heel and options for casting off a stretchy sock cuff. We'll discuss sizing socks and making adaptations for different fit issues. This class is suitable for beginner sock knitters, provided they have some experience knitting in the round. The "two-circulars method" will be used for our socks, but no previous experience with this method is necessary. Students must be able to knit and purl confidently and without assistance and should have some familiarity with basic increases and decreases.

Yarn Tasting with Lynne

Wednesday, September 18th 6:30 - 8:30

\$20 with included light refreshment Suitable for any level knitters This evening will feature a new line of yarns, perfect for garments, that we will be stocking starting this Fall. We will have a couple of draws throughout the evening as well as snacks as you knit away on the new yarns.

If we don't stock the colour of yarns you are looking to get we can do a special order.

**With the class you will receive a 15% coupon for a one time purchase any of that evenings tasted yarns.

Learn to Knit with Erin

Saturday, September 21st 10:00 - 12:00

\$40 class price includes materials

Skill Level: Beginner

Want to learn to knit, but don't know where to start? This is the class for you! In this class, you'll learn the very basics of knitting: casting on, the knit stitch, the purl stitch, and binding off. No prior experience needed.

Learn to Crochet with Erin

Saturday, September 21st 1:00 - 3:00 \$35

This class is for absolute beginners or those working on basic skills. We'll start at the very beginning (a very good place to start) and cover all the basics - from how to hold your hook and tension yarn, to making your very first crochet stitch.

***Crochet hook, yarn, and a simple washcloth pattern are included in the class.

Transitional Weather Knit-A-Long!

A KnitHow Project with Lynne

Wednesday, September 25th & October 9th & 30th 1:30 - 3:30
Cost for the KAL is \$65, includes 3 sessions and your pattern; class size is limited to 14 students. Preference will be given to students who wish to register and pre-pay for the entire KAL; spaces may then be available to anyone who wants to take a single lesson at a cost of \$25 each.
([check](#) listing on class page online)

If you haven't yet made a garment, or you want some guidance through any of the featured projects, this is a great plan to tackle a simple first wearable project. Our Transitional Weather KAL group will meet 3 Wednesdays at 1:30 in September and October.

We've pulled together a list of garments we recommend for this KAL, or you can choose to make a Custom Fit project if you have experience with CF.

Basic Fingerless Mitts with Lynne

Saturday, September 28th & October 5th 10:30 - 12:30

\$55 INCLUDES PATTERN

***this class will be making the fingerless mitts

Mitts are one of those great projects that knit up quickly enough to make great gifts out of a small amount of yarn. In this class we will knit a baby-sized mitten in worsted weight wool, to learn all the parts of mitten anatomy with less knitting than an adult mitten. (Students will also receive a pattern for ladies' mittens and are guided to make an adult mitten as homework.)

Techniques taught will include casting on and knitting in the round (using either dpns or two circulars), gusset shaping, picking up a thumb, and proper cast off.

Students must be able to knit and purl independently, to distinguish knit and purl stitches in their fabric, and should have some familiarity with basic knitting terms

Fixing Your Mistakes! A KnitHow Class with Lynne Sosnowski

Thursday, October 3rd 6:30 - 8:30 \$30

There's nothing under earth and sky that will keep us from making mistakes, it's just part of human nature. But when it comes to knitting, there are lots of things we can do to prevent mistakes in the first place and then other tricks we can use to keep small mistakes from becoming big disasters.

This KnitHow class starts with learning how to read your knit fabric - we first brush up on how stitches should look and line up so we can prevent a mistake as we're knitting. We then look at pattern reading and understanding, so we can know what we're meant to do before we do it. We have lots of strategies to explore to help us stay on pattern. We will practice counting stitches and rows and get a working understanding of gauge.

Once we've done some actual knitting (please see homework requirements below), we will look at diagnosing our mistake, and we will talk about cosmetic versus structural remedies. Then we will work our way through fixes for the most common mistakes including dropped stitch, slipped stitch, twisted stitch, accidental hole, split yarn, purl instead of knit and vice-versa.

We will continue with "disaster management", including learning how to unknit small amounts as well as when and how to rip out sections of a piece.