

### MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose shall be to foster the art of needlework: with special emphasis on work done with a needle with an eye and related disciplines; with an eye to encourage high standards of design and technique; and to bring together members who shall learn, share, teach and participate to the fullest extent in this endeavor.

### *FROM THE PRESIDENT*

As we move closer to the end of the year, we must focus on creating the high quality programming that NTGM members have come to expect. We already have 4 months booked. The last future presenter, Sandy Dekker, was suggested by member Kathy Forzley (thank you Kathy!). Please send any ideas or contacts regarding possible interest areas and/or people. Everyone has a good idea of what will and will not be appropriate for this guild. We do have the budget to cover one national level presenter if desired.

In addition, we are still in need of Program Chairs for next year. It is really not a time-consuming effort, and there is plenty of help available. We advertise our next year's program at the June luncheon, so we really need a volunteer before June. Even if you travel, please consider working with another member to fill this vital role. The 'Barbaras' did an excellent job of covering for each other this year. Remember, without programs, there is no NTGM!

Happy Spring,  
Debra





*From Membership Chair Barbara Gash*

Membership Chair Barbara Gash reminds us that dues for the remainder of the season will be prorated to \$10, payable to NTGM. Also - a warm welcome to new member Michele Hood of Clarkston."

Enjoy the remaining meetings and workshops

**LOCATION**

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church  
5500 N. Adams Road  
Troy, MI 48098

The church is on the east side of Adams Road, south of Square Lake Road and north of Long Lake Road.

There is ample parking.

Our direct entrance is toward the rear of the church, which is a slightly longer walk but there are no steps.

If you enter through the front door, the church office is to the right, and they can direct you to our meeting space.

**MEETING TIMES**

Flea Market, Library, and Social time begins about **9:30**

Business Meeting starts at **10:00**

Program immediately follows the Business Meeting

Workshop Hours on Tuesday from **12:30 to 3:30**

Workshop Hours on Wednesday from **9:30 to 3:30**

**NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS** mcksews@gmail.com

**MORE INFORMATION** [ntgm.org](http://ntgm.org)

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# *April Program*

April 12 - 13

GISELA BOSCH

Weaving in Vasquez, Guatamala

[www.fineweaving.com](http://www.fineweaving.com)

*Workshop*

**REVISED**

Both days of the workshop will focus on “Resist Dyeing” of silk fabric and threads, utilizing the information from the presentation on Ikat dyeing.

There will be NO weaving in this workshop.

We will be working with a kit that will include 3 silk scarves, each 14” x 72”.

Day 1:

Gisela will demonstrate the basic dyeing process and participants will dye their first scarf.

Day 2:

Experimentation with resist techniques as participants dye the remaining scarves.

**Kit Fee: \$30.00. See Supply List on page 8.**

# May Program

May 10 - 11

JENNIFER GOULD

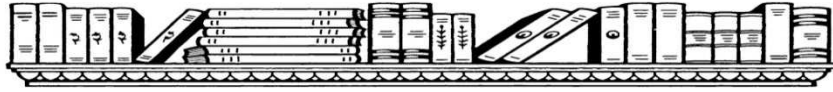
My Dollmaking: Past, Present, and Future

[www.jennifergoulddesigns.com](http://www.jennifergoulddesigns.com)

## Workshop

The Barefoot Sisters Doll and More Workshop. Day 1 – Face-making. Learn to design and draw your own faces; different types of faces for dolls; transfer image possibilities (no hands-on – just samples); needle-sculpting possibilities. Day 2. Sewing hands and feet; different simple body shapes; construction techniques; additional items to make dolls unique (found objects, jewelry, sewn objects); putting it all together.

Kit Fee: \$15. See Supply List on page 9.



## NTGM Library News

April, 2016

The NTGM library is one of the major benefits of joining the Guild. We have a continuously growing collection, and pride ourselves on staying current in many areas of fiber arts. Remember that what is old hat to you is new to someone else, so if you would like new space on your bookshelves, think of donating to NTGM.

We may be testing a new online system called *TinyCat*, which would enable digital checkouts with email reminders.

As a reminder, your purchases at the NTGM Flea Market fund the library, so it's a win-win!

*I need suggestions as to which topics to expand in our library collection. If anyone has particular items they would like to see us purchase, please let me know.*

### **GOALS and POLICIES**

1. The goal of the NTGM library is to provide all members with free access to books and other materials on a wide range of fiber art-related topics. As with any public library, we need to be sure books stay in circulation by ensuring that they are returned in a timely fashion. Please be considerate of other members and try to return your materials by the next meeting. You must be a current member to check out any materials.
2. If you check out books and cannot come to the next month's meeting, please find someone to bring them in (check your NTGM directory) or mail them, so that other members may have access as well. Many people did a fabulous job of this last year. We realize that last minute things come up that may prevent you from attending a meeting (illnesses, etc.), but people do wait for a book to come back in.
3. Due to the popularity of the library, we must limit the number of materials checked out by a member to a maximum of 5 per month.
4. If something bad happens to your book (the P.O. loses it, the dog eats it, you spilled ice cream over it at the beach, etc.), please expect to replace it for the Guild. If you have friends who are not members who would like to use this resource, please encourage them to join. YOU are responsible for any items checked out in your name.
5. Finally, we will continue to make reminder calls the Monday before meetings, if it is helpful. Please be sure to write your phone number legibly on the check-out card.
6. As always, if you have a particular item you'd like to see in the library, please let us know. Email me ---I can't remember items mentioned at the meetings!
7. Please DO NOT return items to the church office!!

## KNITWITS

Join the "KNITWITS" this year for a lovely morning/afternoon of knitting on the first Monday of the month. We gather around 10am, have lunch around noon, and stay until whenever - usually about 2pm. We bring our own lunch and our hostess provides us with a dessert and beverage. The dates and hostesses are listed below. Just let the hostess know that you will be attending, and we'll look forward to seeing you there.

March 7	Susan Sonders-Nabor	586-291-5508
April 4	Sophie Malkowicz	248-618-9717
May 2	Jean Clark	248-646-0185
June 6	Jan Gammons	248-404-7597



### IP (I'm Prepared) Kit

- Basic Sewing Supplies  
Needles, pins, thread, thimble
- Scissors - paper and fabric
- Paper and pencil



**Fiber Expo Press Release  
For Immediate Release  
March 14, 2016**

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202-0178 cell  
linda@backtobackalpaca.com



**Follow the “Herd” to Fiber Expo**

There will be a whole herd of people stampeding to the Spring Fiber Expo that is taking place April 9 & 10 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The sustainable and green movement has brought a new life to the age old crafts of felting, knitting, spinning and other crafts using natural fibers. One problem for those interested in these natural fiber arts is where to find materials for these crafts? Most local chain craft stores offer little in the way of natural products to satisfy the needs of fiber crafters. Hence the idea of Fiber Expo was born, as a place where the fiber producers, fiber artists, and fiber users can meet and do business.

If you enjoy doing crafts, or like to buy unique gift items that cannot be found at the local mall, come spend the

day at Fiber Expo. Classes will be available in many of the fiber arts. Vendors will be on site offering a wide selection of products. Breeders will be exhibiting some of their fiber animals at the show to educate the public about their care.

Fiber Expo will take place Saturday April 9, 9-5 and Sunday April 10, 10-4. Admission: \$4 (children under 12 free), \$6 two days. Location: Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor Saline Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103 More Information: [www.FiberExpo.com](http://www.FiberExpo.com), call 734-546-0032 or email [info@fiberexpo.com](mailto:info@fiberexpo.com) The Fall Fiber Expo is scheduled for October 22 & 23, 2016.

Photo by Linda Lundstrom

# Workshop Information

## Gisela Bosch Workshop

### Resist Dye

**Kit Fee    \$30.00    (includes the following)**

- 3 silk scarves, 14"x72"
- dyes and chemicals

### Student Supply List

- materials for experimentation with resist techniques: coins, small round pebbles, clothes pins, rubber bands, strong thread for wrapping
- pins, needles, sewing thread
- foam brushes
- rubber brushes
- pen and paper for note taking
- 3 Ziploc bags or containers with lids that seal without leaking (pieces will be taken home with wet dyes that will have to be washed out once the dye has set)
- ***A sense of adventure and experimentation***

**It is a good idea to wear old clothing.**



## Jennifer Gould Workshop

### The Barefoot Sisters Doll and More

**Kit Fee    \$15.00    (includes the following)**

- *Barefoot Sisters* pattern
- One pound of Putnam fiberfil
- Knit fabric for the face (student's choice from instructor's stash)
- Skewers for turning the hand and feet
- Cabone ring for hanging

### Student Supply List

- TBD



# WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Gisela Bosch Workshop Fee \$55

Resist Dye Kit Fee \$30

April 12 - 13

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT

- Send one form and one check for each workshop.
- To pay by CHECK:  
Mail check(s), post-dated to the workshop date and made payable to NTGM, and registration form(s) to the address below.
- To pay with CASH:  
Place registration form and cash in available 'cash payment envelope' and give directly to one of the Program Chairs.

Do not add kit fee to your check. This fee is paid directly to the workshop presenter on the first day of the workshop.

### MAIL FORM and CHECK to:

Barbara Skimin  
4073 Summerfield Drive  
Troy, MI 48085

Checks should be made payable to NTGM with the workshop selection in the memo line.

## QUESTIONS

Contact:

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The Barefoot Sisters Doll and More Kit Fee \$15

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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