



ABOUT US

Since its founding in 1940, the Weavers Guild of Minnesota (WGM) has established itself as a nationally-recognized resource for the arts of weaving, spinning, and dyeing. Membership has grown from the original twenty-six members, including famed weaver Hilma Berglund, to more than 600 members in 2019.

The Guild serves nearly 700 new and experienced fiber artists each year through classes and events. Through three catalogs per year, WGM offers beginning classes in weaving (floor loom, rigid heddle, and off-loom techniques), and in spinning (wheel, drop spindle, e-spinner) along with a variety of intermediate and advanced classes and workshops. Member events include meetings and lectures, self-study interest groups, exhibition opportunities, and the annual guild sale.

WGM was the catalyst in the formation of the Textile Center, where the Guild currently maintains classroom, retail, and library space. WGM's on-site shop, Fiber Source, sells new and donated yarn, books, and equipment and is a dealer for Schacht Spindle.

MISSION

Preserving and advancing the arts of weaving, spinning, and dyeing.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Following our strategic plan, WG2020:

VISION: WGM will have a national reputation as a vibrant arts organization in Minnesota and the region with innovative and high quality programming for weavers, spinners, and dyers of all skill levels.

VALUES:

1. WGM celebrates and respects all individuals from beginners to seasoned artists and craftspersons.
 2. As a grassroots organization, we value the active participation of our volunteers, staff, and members.
 3. We value traditional fiber techniques and culture as well as innovative, art-based uses of fiber.
 4. We value a rich, positive environment that inspires lifelong learning in a non-competitive environment, nurturing a multi-generational and diverse community.
-

LEADERSHIP

Board of Directors

WGM is a 501c3 nonprofit member organization and is governed by a member-elected and volunteer Board of Directors. The Board is responsible for the management of the business and affairs of the organization. At WGM we take this responsibility seriously and are governed by a committed board of directors in compliance with charity guidelines set forth by the State of Minnesota Attorney General's Office.

STAFF

Karin Knudsen, Operations Manager & Member Support
Betsy Konop, Education Manager

Media Asset Links & Information:

Website: <http://www.weaversguildmn.org>

Facebook: www.facebook.com/weaversguildmn

Education & Outreach: education@weaversguildmn.org

Membership & Donations: info@weaversguildmn.org



**Weavers
Guild *of*
Minnesota**

Preserving and advancing the arts of weaving, spinning, and dyeing since 1940.

Located in the Textile Center
3000 University Ave, SE. #110
Minneapolis, MN 55414
612-436-0463

info@weaversguildmn.org

www.weaversguildmn.org