

HUNTERDON COUNTY RUG ARTISANS GUILD RUG HOOKING CAMP
August 9-13, 2010

The Hunterdon County Rug Artisans Guild (HCRAG) is sponsoring its 14th annual rug-hooking camp from August 9 to 13, 2010. Nationally known textile artisans – Cherylyn Brubaker, Jen Lavoie and Diane Phillips - will be the instructors. Participation is open to rug hookers at all levels, but the camp is not designed for those who do not know how to hook. (A Beginners' Workshop is offered on Thursday, August 12, 2010). Participation in camp workshops is limited to 12 individuals in each class.

Camp Location – Camp is held at the Educational Services Commission (ESC) School outside of Lambertville, NJ at 1422 Rt. 179, West Amwell. See detailed directions below.

For those not familiar with our camp site, the Educational Services Commission (ESC) School is a regional school for children with learning disabilities. Classes will have ended, so we will be the only ones using the facility other than staff. All three workshops will be in the large gym/cafeteria. The room is quite large and easily accommodates us. The nice thing is that each workshop will have its own space, yet we can walk around and see what others are doing. You should bring whatever hooking frame is your favorite. Lighting is fine, but if you bring your own light, bring an extension cord too. The building is secure at night, so we can leave our equipment there unless you plan to hook in the evening.

Camp Schedule - Camp begins on Monday, August 9 and ends on Friday, August 13. The daily hours are 9:00 to 4:00. The building will be open at 8:00 am for anyone who wants to get an early start. Our instructors will be available from 9:00 to 4:00 each day, except for Friday, when they will leave at noon.

Our Teachers and Their Classes:

Cherylyn Brubaker- (Open Class.) You are invited to work on the pattern that excites you! All styles of hooking and pattern designs are welcome. Cherylyn particularly enjoys hooking in the primitive style with over dyed textured fabrics, but is equally at home with fine cuts. Achieving depth and richness in our rugs through value, texture and color is what she strives for. Discussions are planned during the week on topics such as color planning and background techniques.

Cherylyn resides in Brunswick, Maine and is the owner of Hooked Treasures. A former graphic designer and a certified teacher with the Rug Hooking Guild of Nova Scotia, she teaches at workshops in the Northeast and Atlantic Canada. Her work has been featured in Celebrations X and XVII. Most recently she was a contributor to the book "Pattern Designs for Rug Hookers". Her pattern designs and finished rugs can be viewed on her website <http://www.hookedtreasures.com/>

Jen Lavoie -- (Landscapes) Jen Lavoie lives in Huntington, Vermont. She was featured artist at the Green Mountain Rug Hooking Guild's annual show at the Shelburne Museum in 2007. Her work can be seen in Anne-Marie Littenberg's most recent book, Hooked Rug Landscapes. She uses a variety of cuts and dye techniques, including painted wool, dip dye and gradation value dyes, to create landscapes and pictorials in a painterly style. In class she will spend time with you problem solving and helping you find your own personal style and expression. Her focus is on discovering originality and true mastery of the medium. Class will consist of individual student sessions as well as short talks on process, wool as an art medium, dyeing and the principles of color, texture, line and perspective in rug hooking. Jen wants you to find inspiration to hook from your own personal experiences in life and even if you are working on a pattern, to discover what makes it truly your own artwork.

Diane Phillips – (Portraits) This class will focus on hooking faces, portrait style. The faces will be at least 8 inches from forehead to chin so that you can play with color and expression. An imaginary person, a family member, a national figure or YOURSELF- all faces are fair game. There will be individual lessons as well as daily demonstrations of hooking eyes, noses and mouths. You will learn how many lovely colors can enhance skin and learn some techniques of dying unique shades of skin for all the world's people. Hooking hair gives us great opportunities for textures. Diane's personal style swings from very folksy to realistic, so you can work in your own style or try a new one. All cuts of wool from 3 to 7 are fine – Diane believes in cutting the size one needs to get the look one wants. She provides lots of samples and inspirational materials as well as a DVD she produced for the Home and Garden Channel. Come have fun and hook a portrait that will become a treasured rug!

Diane lives in Fairport NY with her husband, Bruce, and four dogs. For eight years she directed the rug school held by the Green Mountain Rug Hooking Guild at the Shelburne Museum in Vermont. In 2009 Diane was the Featured Teacher at the Sauder Village Rug Show and School in Ohio and will be a featured artist at the Hooked in the Mountains Rug Show in Vermont in November 2009.

Meals & Refreshments -- Coffee, tea and refreshments will be provided by Guild volunteers. Participants bring their lunch. Refrigerators are available to keep our food cold. Pizza Night will be on Wednesday after classes end for those who want to join in.

Massage Therapy Available - Do your muscles get stiff and sore after sitting at the hooking frame for a few hours? Reinvigorate yourself with a few minutes of relaxing massage. Joy Andrews, a certified massage therapist, will be at camp on Tuesday and Wednesday for those who want to take advantage of her services. The fee is \$1 per minute with a recommended minimum of 10-15 minutes to get real relief. We will have a raffle for someone to win a relaxing 15 minute message.

Overnight Accommodations – The HCRAAG camp historically has been a commuter's camp. Each year several guests attend from outside of the area. There are several motels and B & Bs within 15 minutes of our camp location. A list will be provided to those who need overnight accommodations. Lambertville, NJ and its sister community, New Hope, PA are popular tourists destinations. Making early reservations is strongly encouraged.

Lambertville & New Hope -- Lambertville and its sister town, New Hope, just across the Delaware River, are both known for their fine restaurants and shops. Many of the shops will be open after camp ends for the day. The Lambertville Flea Market is open Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. They start early, so for those who enjoy hunting for bargains, you can hit the flea market Wednesday morning and still get to camp on time. The flea market is on Rt. 29 two miles south of town.

Registration/Instructional Fees -- The fee is \$150 for Guild members who have paid their dues by November 12, 2009. The fee is \$225 for all others. For those registering before May 30, 2010, a non-refundable \$25 deposit is required. The balance is due by May 30, 2010. The full amount is required for registrations after May 30, 2010.

Refund Policy -- The deposit (\$25) is non-refundable. The balance of the fee will be refunded for cancellations received by June 11, 2010. No refunds are available after June 11, 2010 unless there is a replacement from the paid waiting list.

For more information, contact Karl Gimber at 215-297-0803 or karlg@nni.com or Dee Rosebrock at 609-771-0596 or uncoolfred@aol.com.

Directions to the Educational Services Commission (ESC) School

A. From Above Flemington, NJ

1. Take Rt. 202 south through Flemington
2. Look for Wertsville Road several miles beyond Flemington. There is a traffic light and Shell Gas Station on the right. Continue on Rt. 202.
3. There will be a series of exits just beyond Wertsville Road. Take the exit for Rt. 179 south – Lambertville
4. Go about 3 miles and you will see an “ESC School” sign on the left. It is directly opposite the West Amwell Elementary School that you will see on the right. You cannot see the school from the driveway.
5. The address of the school is 1422 Rt. 179. The address does not appear on the sign, but it is on a large green mailbox.

B. From Below Lambertville, NJ

1. Take Rt. 29 (River Road) north to Lambertville.
2. Go to the first traffic light and continue through the light. You will now be on Rt. 179 north,
3. Go 1.9 miles and you will see the “ESC School” sign on the right. The West Amwell Elementary School is across the road.
4. The address of the school is 1422 Rt. 179. The address does not appear on the sign, but it is on a large green mailbox.

C. From Pennsylvania

1. Take the bridge from New Hope to Lambertville.
2. Go 3 traffic lights and turn left onto Rt. 179 north.
3. Go 1.9 miles and you will see the “ESC School” sign on the right. The West Amwell Elementary School is across the road.
4. The address of the school is 1422 Rt. 179. The address does not appear on the sign, but it is on a large green mailbox.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Teacher Preference _____

Make your check payable to “HCRAG” and send along with the registration form to: Karl Gimber, P.O. Box 16, Carversville, PA 18913