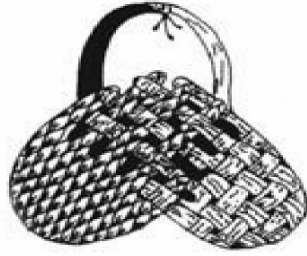


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Continuing 10,000 Years of Basket Arts



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GBB APRIL 2021 ZOOM

**GBB April 1, 2021 meeting via ZOOM
will be held at 10:30 AM**

You must RSVP if you want to join the ZOOM meeting.

If you want to attend you will need to pre-register to receive the invite to the meeting, Please send a reply asking for an invite when you receive your newsletter, this will act as a registration request.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, March 30.

We will enjoy "Show and Tell" and then discuss the schedule for the upcoming year.



Next Month's Newsletter Editor:

Sue Ann Monteleone

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**Please submit articles for
May newsletter by April 12**

***WILLOW cut at
Idlewild Park***



Reno Food Source's garden plot ready for planting. The structure to the right is used for a weekly farmer's market during the summer. Plans are in the works to plant some willow and other native plants in this garden. At the May meeting we will hear a presentation about the future plans of this garden plot.



The GBB Website

Be sure to check our website greatbasinbasketmakers.org for information regarding our organization. Information will be posted as it comes in.

Check back regularly for updates about our retreat, classes and programs.

The GBB Facebook page

is a platform for members and interested folks to share their love of basketry by sharing photos of their projects. It is also to share upcoming events including workshops, classes, meetings, and exhibits that would be of interest to GBB members and the public. It is meant to be an encouraging, supportive, positive and safe place for all to use and enjoy. Please submit photos, news, events, etc. to GBBFBpage@gmail.com

Margo Duarte is moving to Henderson, NV in June and we need someone to take over managing the Facebook page. Please contact Betty Hulse if you would like to volunteer.

"As a fiber artist focused in basketry, my medium is derived primarily from the environment. I am continuously inspired by the abundance of natural material that surrounds me, and find myself driven to experiment with barks, roots and fibers that seem to lend themselves to textile applications. Care and patience is necessary in the gathering and processing of the materials. I enjoy combining traditional basketry applications with other historical fibers arts and metalworking techniques such as: piecework, lace making, and fabrication. My basketry forms are a celebration of the harmony that is intertwined between these materials and traditional methods." Karen Tembreull

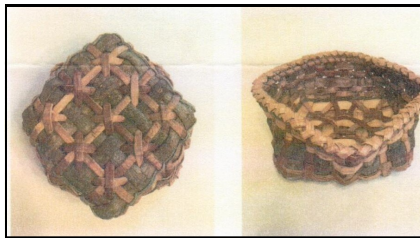
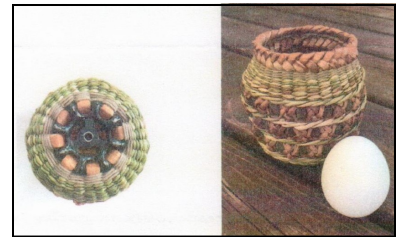
Coming in November

We have rescheduled Karen Tembreull's visit to Reno for November 3, 2021. Karen is the owner of Barks & Roots Basketry located in L'Anse, Michigan. All classes are limited to 12 students; there will be a waiting list once the class fills. The class cost will be \$40-\$50, at this time we have not scheduled the days the classes will be held; please let us know if you can only attend a Saturday and which class you would prefer. This will help us make the four day schedule, if you are coming from out of town to attend we will try to arrange housing for members. Please contact Lorrie Moore at oolala1@charter.net or Karen Olson at kvmikesell@hotmail.com if you have any questions concerning classes or signing up for the classes. We will begin taking sign-ups at the May meeting, first come first serve. Please pay the material fee at the time of signing-up for the class, the class fee will be collected at the class. Mail your payment to: GBB, PO Box 11844, Reno, NV 89510.

Apple in the Pine (Material fee—\$85)

Level: Intermediate / Advanced

The base begins with a vintage spigot handle, threaded with Cedar bark. Twine the base with waxed cotton cord and iris leaves to upright. Using thinner Cedar and wider Willow bark learn the fun and challenging Japanese knot weave. A basic braid track border completes the piece. (4" x 4")



Fluted Constellation (Material fee—\$75)

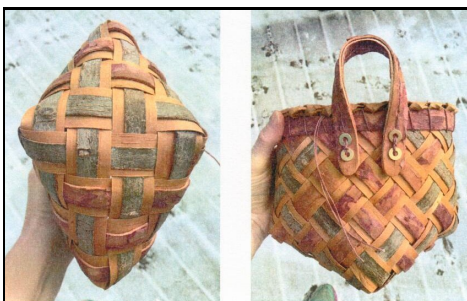
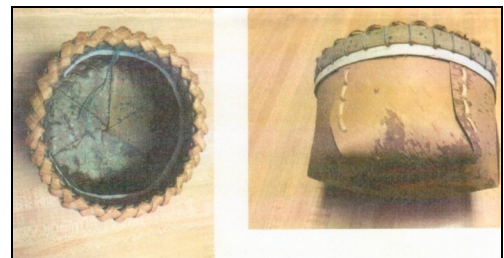
Level: Intermediate / Advanced

Beginning with a unique threaded base of Willow and Cedar barks; weave this sweet and functional basket with an interesting twist. The fluted sides and rim are resultant of a weave change to the basket. The braided Cedar rim enhances the overall flow. (6" x 6" x 2")

Double Helix (Material fee—\$85)

Level: Intermediate

Students will heat fold and stitch a hexagonal Birch bowl with split Spruce roots. Next a spiraling liner of hexagonal to bias woven Willow or Cedar bark (or a combination) will be added. The braided rim of Cedar bark was taught to me by Dawn Walden. (6" x 3")



Barks on the Bias (Material fee-\$100)

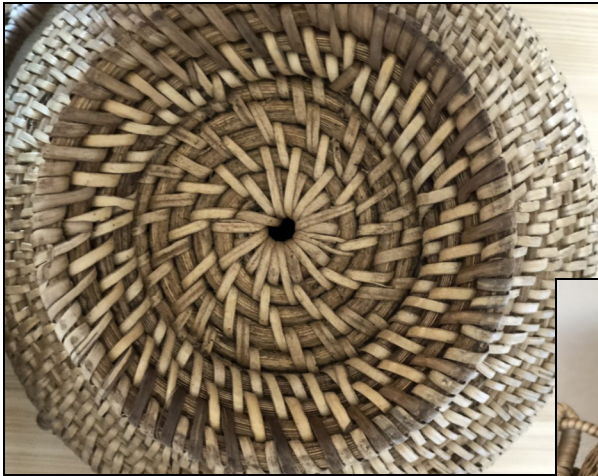
Level: Intermediate

Students will learn to weave this non-traditional basket with thin Birch bark. Overlays of Poplar and Hemlock barks will be added for color and textural notes. The faux braided rim was taught to me by master basket maker Dawn Walden and is executed with Cedar bark. A hanger handle is sewn and installed with fine brass washers to secure the stitching. (7" x 6" x 5")

Notes from Janice Johnson:

I get my newspaper yarn at Darn Good Yarn. It is under yarns, specialty, vegan and is \$22 for 45 yards.

Several times a year they have a 50% off sale and that is when I buy it. It is mostly black and white with Asian print, but there are splashes of color. I put a coat of brush-on varnish when I'm done and it brings out the colors.



This one is about 12" tall. The coils are about 1/4" thick round material. It looks to me like it should be a cobra basket, but fortunately there was no snake in it.



This basket was sold as "Vintage Chinese conical bamboo and reed hat." Sitting on the stand it looks like a lampshade, so I'm not sure whether it's a hat or lampshade.



Hat or Lampshade????



SILVER STATE ART FESTIVAL—NV Gourd Society

Please review all of the vendor information on this page before you fill out the vendor application.

The Fuji Exhibit Hall in Carson City is a wonderful indoor facility - no need for canopies! A kitchen and bathrooms are located inside the Hall. A 10x10 booth space is only \$125 for artists and \$175 for commercial vendors for the 2-day weekend. Tables are available for rent as well as electricity.

Show Hours for 2021:

Friday, September 10th - 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Saturday, September 11th - 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday, September 12th - 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Setup Hours:

Fuji Exhibit Hall will be open on Friday from 10:30 to 5:00 pm for vendor setup.

Applicants whose merchandise is their own personal art (gourd, basket, or wood art, etc.) will register as private **artist vendors**. To better support our artists, imported, mass-produced items will not be acceptable for sale. Those selling tools, dyes, books, and craft related supplies must register as **commercial vendors**. Nevada Gourd Society reserves the right to determine eligibility issues.

All applications must be received by August 15, 2021.

No cancellation refunds after September 1, 2021.

Terms of Agreement

Download, print, read and sign the Terms of Agreement for the 2021 Silver State Art Festival. You will need to give this signed form to us before you start setting up at the festival. (We will also have copies on hand if you forget to bring yours to the festival.)

Vendor Application

Fill out the vendor application form, and determine the total amount owed for your booth fee(s).

Payment

Payment will NOT be required until you have been accepted into the show. We recommend you apply early. If we have more applicants than we can accept, we will put you on our waiting list. Once accepted, we will contact you and make payment arrangements at that time.

Questions? Contact Kristy Dial at 619-995-2475 or nevadagourdsociety@gmail.com

GBB General Membership Meeting, March 4, 2021 Minutes

Betty Hulse convened the March 4, 2021 general membership meeting at 10:39 a.m. on Zoom. There were 13 members joining the meeting. Betty summarized the GBB board meeting, which was held yesterday.

- The board discussed resuming face-to-face guild meetings in May. At the membership meeting most members had or will be vaccinated before the May meeting to be held at the Masonic Center, starting at 10:00 with the program at 11:00. There would be no break for lunch as long as masks are recommended.
- Margo Duarte will be moving to Henderson, probably in June. Margo has served on the board and has also handled the guild's Facebook page. The board agreed to ask Sue Ann Monteleone if she would be willing to take Margo's seat on the board. Members will be asked for a volunteer who is willing to take over the Facebook page.
- Lorrie reported that Karen Tembreull would be happy to have her classes rescheduled for the fall, possibly early November.
- Betty has been contacted by Lindsay about repairing the Sensory Garden at Idlewild Park, where the guild helped construct tunnels etc. The park staff is working on it next Tuesday 3/9 at 1:30, and GBB members are invited to participate. There is willow they can cut for their use.
- Betty has also been contacted by people operating The Reno Food Systems. an urban farm on a 5 acre parcel next door to the Caughlin Ranch house. They are interesting in partnering with us to plant basket materials on this land, both willows and natural dye plants. Betty will continue to explore this.
- Betty has also been contacted by Kristy Dial of the Nevada Gourd Society. They are planning their annual Silver State Gourd Festival for September 10-12, and we are invited to participate. The board was not interested in renting a booth, but encourage members to participate.
- The next board meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31 (the day before the April 1 general membership meeting). The April newsletter editor will be Karen Olson.
- Eight members showed baskets for Show and Tell or as part of the program. All were beautiful. Thanks for sharing.

GBB Board Meeting Minutes / March 3, 2021 / 4:30 pm

Members present: Pam Wilcox, Margo Duarte, Lorrie Moore, Karen Olson, Betty Hulse, Trisha Work

Update on the need to reimburse Karen T. for her plane ticket? Unknown at this time. Lorrie will write to ask if she might be available for teaching a class in late October/early November.

We need to put search for Retreat instructors on hold till we receive final confirmation for the Retreat dates for 2022. We will add the item to the June board meeting agenda.

Betty will contact Sue Ann regarding the possible show at the Sparks Museum.

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Board member & Facebook person needed. Karen will contract Sue Ann / Ann to see if they might be interested in being on the board. Betty will ask for a volunteer to take on the Facebook at the meeting tomorrow.

Basket Garden/Dye Garden opportunity at Reno Food Systems [Caughlin Ranch House] Betty visited the location and toured the site. They would like to include plants used for baskets and dye sources. Betty took some willow plants and Sue Ann & Bonnie volunteered to share willow also. Lindsey & Neal want to apply for a USDA grant, and would like our group to offer basket activities in the summer. Betty will contact them to see if they will attend our May meeting and talk about their plans.

We would like to start meeting back at the Masonic Hall together in person for the May 6th meeting. Betty and Karen will meet with Robbie to review and update our rental agreement.

Sensory garden at Idlewild Park - The willows need to be trimmed. There will be a workday on Tuesday, March 9th, from 1:30 - 3:30 for those who want to help and to collect willow.

The Board has been acting as program & activity committee. Trisha will contact Bonnie & Ann who are currently on the program & activity committee to reactivate their wisdom for our return to in-person meetings and classes.

Silver State Gourd Festival announcement - September 10 - 12. We will not participate as a Guild.

Next Board Meeting: March 31, 4:30 pm, on Zoom.
Respectfully submitted, Trisha Work

2021 Officers and Committee Members

President: Betty Hulse
 Vice President : Vacant
 Guild Secretary: Pam Wilcox
 Treasurer: Karen Olson
 Membership: Janice Johnson

Board Chair: Trisha Work
 Board At Large: Paula Pennington
 Board At Large: Pam Wilcox
 Board At Large: Sue Ann Monteleone
 Board At Large: Lorrie Moore

Committees: Classes: Bonnie Kennedy, Ann Taylor; Library: Pam Wilcox; Special Workshops: Lorrie Moore; Exhibits & Shows; Grants: Betty Hulse, Susan Lester, Karen Olson; Raffle: Sandy Zoerner; Website: Susan Lester; Newsletter Editors: Sue Ann Monteleone, Karen Olson.

If you are able to volunteer your service to help out GBB in any way, please contact Betty Hulse at 775-747-5794 or email to betty.hulse5@yahoo.com

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Annual Membership Dues:

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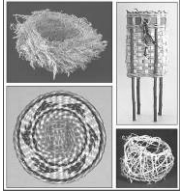
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Great Basin Basketmakers Established January 1987

Meetings the first Thursday of each month at Sparks Masonic Center located at 2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV. During the pandemic GBB business meetings will be via ZOOM at 10:30 AM. All are welcome.

Membership dues for Great Basin Basketmakers are \$25 per yr, \$10 extra per yr. for family membership (living at the same address), \$10 extra for a mailed newsletter. Membership includes monthly newsletter, access to large library and reduced workshop rates. Dues are to be paid annually in January.

Please direct address, email changes, membership dues, and requests for membership to: GBB, PO Box 11844, Reno, NV 89510.

Questions regarding workshops, events, etc. may be directed to GBB president, Betty Hulse at betty.hulse5@yahoo.com or check our website at: www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org.

Information to be exchanged among GBB members may be directed to: gbbreno@gmail.com.

If you would like to submit to GBBs Facebook page please send to GBBFBpage@gmail.com

Our Mission Statement

The main focus of the Great Basin Basketmakers is to make baskets, to learn everything possible about the tradition and techniques of basketry and to pass this knowledge along to others.

