



Summer 2017

# Georgia Basketry Association



## President's Message

Planning for 2018 is in full swing. The Convention chair has been chosen, baskets have been juried, teachers selected, and the brochure is being worked on as we speak. We will be back at the Marietta Hilton Convention Center and they are excited to have us choose them again. If you have any questions or comments, please let the board know. We also had a successful Summer Workshop that was hosted by the Gwinnett Guild. I had a great time! Many thanks to our teachers: Jan Beyma, Karen Gramenz, Annette Roose, and Judi Wilson.

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## Membership Dues

If you have not already paid your 2017-18 dues, please remit \$15 to GBA and send to:

GBA  
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Dues for the current year run from March thru February.

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## New Look Coming Soon for the GBA Website

[www.georgiabasketry.com](http://www.georgiabasketry.com) will soon have a new look! Our board is working with a web designer to give our webpage a much needed update. You can still access our current page for information and forms.



## Summer Weave Wrap Up

### Summer Weave Wrap Up from VP Tracey Reidy

Many thanks need to go out concerning our very fun Summer Weave held on June 10. First of all, thank you to our four outstanding teachers-Judy Wilson, Jan Beyma, Annette Roose, and Karen Gramenz. Without you we couldn't have had an amazing day of weaving! Secondly, thank you to our attendees. We had weavers from three states come to Lawrenceville, GA! And lastly, I'd like to give a big THANK YOU to the members of the Gwinnett Basket Weavers Guild who help put this "show" on. A lot of work, before, during and after, goes into a day like this. Thanks to them for showing up early, bringing and setting up tables, ordering and picking up our lunch and the clean up afterwards. My Guild is the best!



For more pictures, check out our facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Georgia-Basketry-Association-120359604662086/>

Our group page is public so you are not required to have a facebook account to view our posts.

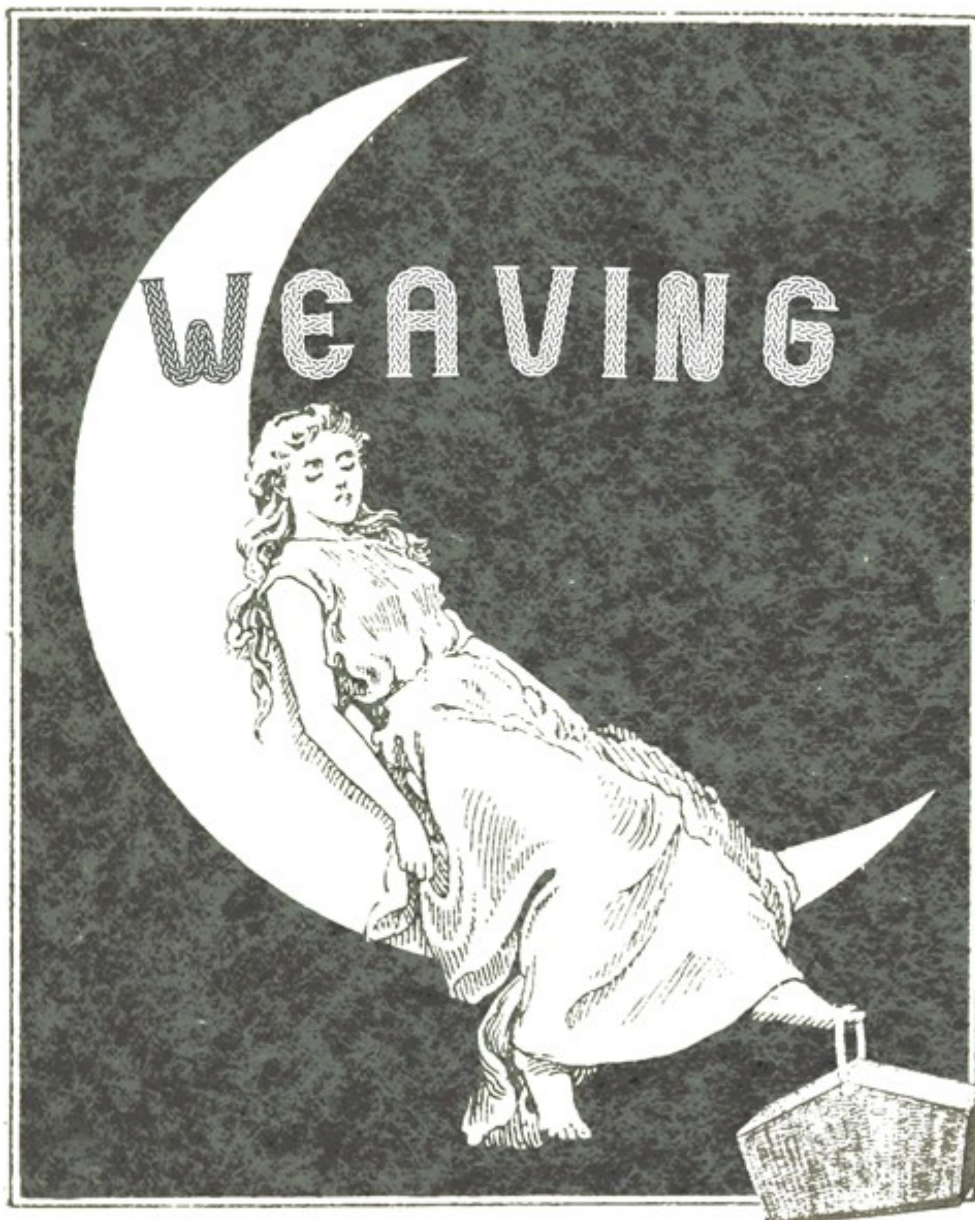


## *Save the Date! 2018 GBA Convention*

Mark your calendar –

**GBA Convention February 2-4, 2018 Weaving to the Moon and Back!**

Your convention chairs are busy making plans for the best ever GBA Convention! The Convention Committee met in June and gathered an awesome array of basket projects spanning a variety of types, sizes, styles and prices. Look for the 2018 Convention brochure in early September. In the meantime, start weaving those mini basket ornaments for the Convention Tree, gather items for raffle and door prizes, and local guilds – it's not too early to think about your goodie bag items! Looking forward to seeing everyone in February as we go "Weaving to the Moon and Back!" -Kathie Smith, 2018 Convention Chair



**TO THE MOON AND BACK**

### **2018 Convention Committee**

Convention Chair—*Kathie Smith*

Brochure—*Kathleen Fosha & Kathie Smith*

Class Assignments—*Sandy Quackenbush*

Door Prizes—*Tracey Reidy*

Financial—*Sybil Sweat*

Goody Bags—*Kim Chase & Jan Klamt-Wells*

Jurying—*Barb Wisuri*

Logistics—*Amy & Brittany Rice*

Logo Sales—*Betty Wong*

Name Tags/Table Signs—*Annette Roose*

Raffle—*Jean Nash*

Teacher Liaison/ Marketplace—*Pattie Patterson*

Vendors—*Laurine Haynes*

Welcome/Check In—*Kathleen Wendelkin, Sandra Gibson, & Marjorie Seckinger*

## *Basketweave Scarf Pattern Available From Craftsy.com*

Entrelac is a technique used to create a textured diamond pattern. The resulting fabric looks like woven knitted strips but is actually knitted in one piece. The technique looks more difficult than it is! This scarf is the perfect introduction to entrelac and is great for beginners. WARNING: People will "ooh!" and "aah!" over this scarf when you wear it. They will also think you are a knitting genius when you tell them you made it yourself. The actual simplicity of the pattern will be our little secret. ;-)

New to Entrelac? Or just need some extra help? Staci Perry of [verypink.com](http://www.verypink.com) created a wonderful video tutorial based on this pattern. Download the pattern and follow along with her as she teaches you every step involved in the making of this scarf! Her video tutorial can be found here: <http://www.verypink.com/2011/12/22/learn-to-knit-entrelac/>



For more information about this scarf and how to download the pattern, go to <https://www.craftsy.com/knitting/patterns/entrelac-scarf/100019>.

### **Coiling Culture: Basketry Art of Native North America**

At the Emory/Michael C Carlos Museum

When making plans for our February 2018 convention, plan extra time on the front or back end to stop and see this basket exhibit.

This display in the Art of the Americas' galleries explores the intersection between material, making, and meaning in the fragile basketry art of the Southeast to the Southwest and up into the Arctic.

Runs thru February 18, 2018 for more information go to <http://carlos.emory.edu/content/coiling-culture-basketry-art-native-north-america>



From Charleston at Home and Laure Ruffo on Instagram, pot racks aren't just for pots anymore! Share your creative basket displays with GBA for the next newsletter!

## *Creative Basket Displays*





## Woven Purses “In” for Summer

From The Zoe Report and Marie Claire:

Ladies, we’ve known it for a long time, but the fashion world is taking notice of woven bags this summer! Carry your basket inspired totes and purses with pride as you embrace the current trend! For more info and purses go to [http://thezoereport.com/fashion/accessories/best-basket-bags-for-summer/?sr\\_share=facebook#slide-1](http://thezoereport.com/fashion/accessories/best-basket-bags-for-summer/?sr_share=facebook#slide-1) and <http://www.marieclaire.com/fashion/advice/g1419/basket-weave-fashion-trend/>.



### Wire & Bale Handle Tutorial

Joanna from Joanna's Collections will demonstrate how to weave any pattern that includes a wire and bale handle, like the one pictured below. It's fairly simply to add the wire ears to anchor the handle once you can see the inside of the basket's rim. Go to <https://joannascollections.com/blog/wire-and-bale-handles> for the full instructions and the basket pattern.

## Where are you traveling to?

From Becky Bechtel at Bright Expectations Baskets:

I see requests all the time for "I'm traveling through such-n-such state and would love to find a basket weaving supplier or shop along the way. Can someone make a recommendation?". I've been trying to figure out a way to create an interactive map of basket related suppliers, shops, and teachers for ages. And it's finally DONE! Well, it's a continual work in progress, but it's released for anyone to view. Just click on the link below and Voila! you'll be magically transported to charting your next adventure. If you know of a business or someone you would like to add, just let me know.

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?ll=37.10142753214901%2C-93.90604725625002&hl=en&z=5&authuser=0&mid=1tpfBsgMDY9s0wN0OjYpOe2vmVgo>



## *New Items for Your Basket Projects*



### **The Basket Maker's Catalog**

from GH Productions Inc.

**Items to round  
out your  
basket décor...**

**Click on the links  
for ordering  
information!**

Beautiful Mule Bridle can be used as a handle or strap for your baskets. Leather is high quality; hand stitched by local harness makers (literally, it's a Mule Bridle). Width 1 1/16 inches. Conway buckles secure the handle ends and belt buckle allows you to adjust the length from 42 to 50 inches. The color of the leather is black.



### **Mule Bridle Leather Strap Black**

Item # 2647E



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Also available - [Free Mule Skinner Pattern](#) for you to print.

Basket Collector

[http://www.gainerscreekcrafts.com/Primitive-Hand-Stenciled-Basket-Collector-with-Star-Basket-Wooden-Sign-p\\_3280.html](http://www.gainerscreekcrafts.com/Primitive-Hand-Stenciled-Basket-Collector-with-Star-Basket-Wooden-Sign-p_3280.html)

<http://www.basketmakerscatalog.com/ps/leather-handles/1728-black-mule-bridle-leather-strap.html>



Olde Baskets

<http://www.ebay.com/itm/Grungy-Red-Distressed-Primitive-Olde-Baskets-Home-Decor-Wood-Sign-7-1-4-x-18->

1/2" Wood hues Multi-Colors--1/4 lb. bundle contains strands of individual colors. Save the hassle and mess of dying your reed. Approximately 35 ft. Colors: Driftwood, ebony, oak and walnut.. (This is individual pieces of colors that are packaged together, NOT space-dyed reed.)

<http://www.basketmakerscatalog.com/ps/new-products/1685-dyed-12-inch-flat-woodhues-multi-colors-14-lb-bundle.html>

Get other basket patterns here: <http://www.basketmakerscatalog.com/misc/freecins.htm>

## *Local Basket Guilds*

### **Basket Weaver's Guild of GA (Roswell)**

Meets: 2nd Thursday 10am-1pm  
Bulloch Hall in Roswell

### **Ebenezer Weavers Guild (Rincon, GA)**

Check our Facebook page, Ebenezer Weaver for meeting times and classes offered. <https://www.facebook.com/Ebenezer-Weavers-Guild-1116816161683454/>

### **Greater Atlanta Basket Guild (Marietta)**

Meets: 3rd Saturday at 11am  
Mountain View Regional Library, Marietta, GA

### **Gwinnett Basket Weaver's Guild (Gwinnett)**

Meets: 2nd Saturday at 10am-2pm  
Berkmar High School in Lilburn

### **North Georgia Mountain Weavers (Blairsville)**

Meets: 4th Tuesday 10:30-4:30 Open Weave  
Treasured Creations Art Supplies & More, 19 Cobalt St., Blairsville, GA  
Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NGMW2017/>

### **River Country Basket Guild (Augusta)**

Meets: every Tuesday 6:30 -8:30pm  
Augusta

### **Shooting Creek Basket Guild (Shooting Creek, NC)**

Meets: 2nd Wednesday 9:45am  
Shooting Creek Community Center  
Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Rincon, GA

Please send updates and changes to guild information to Annette Roose at [roose-family@comcast.net](mailto:roose-family@comcast.net).



### **The Angel Baskets Program**

GBA is an ongoing supporter of the Bereavement Program at the Vanderbilt University Children's Hospital. Handmade Angel Baskets are used by parents to carry babies home from the hospital if they unable to afford pickup by a funeral home. The group also makes cushions and collects blankets and layettes for these babies.

You will Pictured basket is by Kathleen Fosha.





# Guild News

## Ebenezer Weavers Guild

Join us in August for our day of weaving Kudzu with Nancy Basket! (Details to the left.)

### All Day Kudzu Class

**August 5, 2017**  
**Teacher-Nancy Basket**  
**9:00AM - 6:00PM, Bring a bag lunch**  
**Location - Jerusalem Lutheran Church, 2966 Ebenezer Rd, Rincon, GA 31326**

**Cost - \$25.00, all materials furnished**  
Random freeform or straight weaving on a board.

Make your own shape and size, square or round, with or without handle. Include other natural vines for rim/trim or not. 4hrs

#### Coiled kudzu!

Take short split kudzu vines you "didn't do right" and sew them together in wonderfully fibrous shapes of your choice. 3 hrs

#### Introduction to Kudzu paper making

Learn all about recycling kudzu leaves into paper. Make several sheets! Learn to embed, flink, pulp paint, more. 1 hrs

Billy Owens will be holding a class on Sunday afternoon, November 5, 2017, at Jerusalem Lutheran Church, 2966 Ebenezer Rd, Rincon, GA 31326. It is hosted by the Ebenezer Weavers Guild. Please check Ebenezer Weavers FB page for details closer to the date.

Pictured is our May meeting, making our Savannah River Totes.





# Guild News

## Greater Atlanta Basket Guild

Another successful year for the GABG! We completed a provender basket, a knitting basket and a bracelet this spring! We already have great projects on our fall schedule and thank our many members who volunteer to lead our group!



**Basket Weaver's Guild of GA, Roswell**  
We may be few in numbers but meet for lunch every month and contribute to the convention goody bags each year.



## June Picnic & Election



## Guild News

### Gwinnett Basket Weavers Guild

The Gwinnett Basket Weavers Guild was the host Guild for the GBA Summer Weave held in Lawrenceville on June 10 and it served as our monthly meeting for June. Many of the Guild members volunteered their time and talents in order to make this a successful event. We take the month of July off but only in order to build excitement for our annual retreat in Helen, GA from Aug. 10-13. It is a time that we look forward to all year.

### River Country Basket Guild

The last few months have been busy for our guild. The projects we have completed include painting, cutting, and weaving watercolor paper baskets. Each person selected the colors and style of paper basket to weave. The next project was Suzanne Moore's "Mallard in the Marsh". This summer we will make pine needle pendants and round reed woven earrings.

Laura Lee Zanger continues to have a busy teaching and vending schedule. She taught at the NCBA convention in Raleigh, NC in March. In April she taught at Stateline Friends in Richmond, Indiana. In June she taught at the Bluegrass Basketmakers gathering in Jabez, Kentucky.

Suzanne Simoneau attended the Cherokee Gourd gathering in Cherokee, NC in June. This was her first gourd convention and she had a blast! She took 3 classes: A Fish Tale, Burlap and Buttons, and the Footed Antler Handle Basket.

### Shooting Creek Basket Guild

Our May 10th meeting included the election of new officers.

The May project was a three stick basket. It includes unusual sticks and small to medium weaving materials. This project is free form and shaping is decided by your sticks that are used as part of the basket and legs to support the basket.

Round reed(#5, 6, or 7) are used for the spokes and #2, 3, or 4 round for weavers. Yarns, seagrass, narrow flat and flat oval reed add variety as weavers.

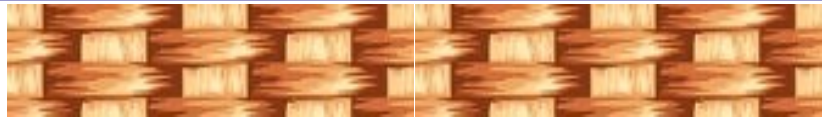


## GBA Welcomes the North Georgia Mountain Weavers Basket Guild!

We're a new & growing organization of North Georgia weavers. You may have met many of us at Summer Weave last month. We're headquartered in Blairsville, but we hope to serve all of the North Georgia Mountain area. Check out our facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NGMW2017/> for our latest meeting dates and upcoming projects.



## Upcoming Events



### JC Campbell Folk School:

#### ***Basket Classes***

Nancy Jones

A Twilling Experience

Sunday, July 23 – Friday, July 28, 2017

Susan Taylor

Demystifying the Cat-Head Basket

Friday, July 28 – Sunday, July 30, 2017

Jean Kerr

Pine Needle Basketry

Sunday, July 30 – Saturday, Aug 5, 2017

Eric Taylor

Black Ash Fishing Creel

Friday, Aug 18 - Sunday, Aug 20, 2017

Mark Hendry

Scottish Country Baskets (Willow)

Sunday, Aug 27 - Saturday, Sep 2, 2017

Pattie Bagley

Rib Basketry –Beginning & Beyond

Sunday, Sep 3 - Friday, Sep 8, 2017

Joni Dee Ross

Not Your Grandpa's Nantuckets

Sunday, Sep 17 - Saturday, Sep 23, 2017

Fonda Haddad

Gourd Art Works

Sunday, Sep 24 - Saturday, Sep 30, 2017

Judy Zugish

The Wonders of Willow Bark

Sunday, Oct 8 - Saturday, Oct 14, 2017

Sue Williams

White Oak Egg Basket

Sunday, Oct 22 - Friday, Oct 27, 2017

Please visit [www.folkschool.org](http://www.folkschool.org) for complete information on classes offered at JC Campbell Folk School.

### Conventions and Events

All Day Kudzu Class

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[https://www.facebook.com/Ebenezer-Weavers-Guild-11168161683454/?hc\\_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf](https://www.facebook.com/Ebenezer-Weavers-Guild-11168161683454/?hc_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf)

[Saturday, August 5, 2017](https://www.facebook.com/Ebenezer-Weavers-Guild-11168161683454/?hc_ref=SEARCH&fref=nf)

Kentucky Basket Association Convention

Somerset, Kentucky

[www.kentuckybasketassociation.org](http://www.kentuckybasketassociation.org)

October 5-7, 2017

The West Virginia Basketmakers Association Convention

Clarksburg, West Virginia

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

October 26-28, 2017

NCBA Seminar 2017

Supply, NC

<http://www.ncbasketmakers.com/seminars.html>

October 27-28, 2017

Tidewater Basketry Guild of Virginia

Guilders Weave

Newport News, VA

[http://www.tidewaterbasketryguild.org/guilders\\_weave.html](http://www.tidewaterbasketryguild.org/guilders_weave.html)

January 11-14, 2018

Georgia Basketry Association Convention

Marietta, GA

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

February 2-4, 2018

NCBA Convention

Durham, NC

<http://www.ncbasketmakers.com/convention.html>

March 22-25, 2018

### Nancy Basket's Fiber Arts School

Nancy Basket's shop is open 10-4 M-Sat. At 1105 East Main Street. Walhalla, SC. Call 864-718-8864 for information

Come see her 8 foot kudzu sculptures, paper art and pine and kudzu baskets!

#### ***Summer Classes***

Kudzu Leaf Papermaking

Fri. July 28, 1am-5pm

Tour and talk, use fermented leaves, make papers and a dry design \$35

100% Paper from inner bark of Kudzu and Wisteria

Sat July 29, 1am-4pm

Tour and talk, process vines, pound, make sheets, include retted vines \$65

Kudzu Weaving

Fri. August 25, 9am-4pm

Tour and talk, make your own 11x14 loom, split kudzu vines for warp and weft \$65

Kudzu Cloth

Sat. August 26, 9am-4pm

Tour and talk, process threads from retted green kudzu, tie, make small loom, weave \$65

Pine Needle Coiling on Gourds

Fri. Sept. 8, 9am-4pm

Tour and talk, clean your gourd, sand, stain, coil the rim, embellish \$65

Pine Needle sampler Basket

Sat. Sept. 9, 9am-4pm

Tour and talk, start a base, learn stitches, make another base with sides \$65

Random Free form Twig Basket

Sat. Sept. 23, 1am-5pm

Tour and talk, gather various vines here, including kudzu, wisteria, \$35

Tours are available for clubs and groups.

# Georgia Basketry Association



## GBA Officers:

President  
Past President  
Vice President  
Secretary/Newsletter  
Historian  
Webmaster  
Facebook Admin

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[www.facebook.com/GeorgiaBasketryAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaBasketryAssociation)

The purpose of the Georgia Basketry Association shall be to perpetuate the art of basketry, stimulate interest and knowledge in all phases of basketry, and preserve the importance of basketry as a heritage craft.

Membership is open to anyone of similar purpose.

## *Spotlight on John C. Campbell Folk Art School*

Every year at convention, one of our most popular raffle items is a gift certificate to The John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, NC. But did you know they offer week long and weekend classes year-round in not only basketry, but other traditional and contemporary arts and crafts, music, dance, cooking, gardening, writing and photography? Day visitors are always welcome to stop by the 300-acre campus to visit the studios; tour the History Center, browse through the Craft Shop, attend a contra dance or a Friday night concert. For more information or to plan your trip, go to <https://www.folkschool.org/>.

Check out their facebook page to see examples of all that goes on at John C. Campbell!  
<https://www.facebook.com/CampbellFolkSchool/>

View their e-catalog to see the variety of classes offered!  
<https://www.folkschool.org/JCCFS2015/flipviewerexpress.html>

Check out their blog!  
<https://blog.folkschool.org/>

