

## Embellishments – January 2023

The New Year is here, and we have a lot to look forward to. 2022 was an interesting year for the Guild, we had to find a new venue, as well as a location for EDGE, we held our auction on line, and we got incorporated as a not for profit organization. 2023 promises to be an interesting year too, but hopefully will not include finding new meeting spaces.

We will have our first EDGE of the year on Tuesday January 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm at the Paul Reynolds Center on Carrick Drive, in the Gleneyre Room #2 on the second floor (there is an elevator and ample parking). Barb Myles will be bringing a kettle, but members should bring their own lunch, mug, tea, etc. Come for all or part of the day! Please bring \$5 to help defray the cost of the room rental.

EDGE dates for the next few months are

January 17 <sup>th</sup>	10 am to 4 pm
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	10 am to 4 pm
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	10 am to 4 pm
April 18 <sup>th</sup>	10 am to 4 pm
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	10 am to 4 pm
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	10 am to 4 pm

In November, we had a fabulous meeting at the Queen Elizabeth II library to celebrate the 'Unseen Labour' embroidery exhibition that was on display. Heather Pretty and the group who created the display have now created a book documenting the exhibition. If anyone would like to order a copy of the book, please let Heather [hjpretty@nl.rogers.com](mailto:hjpretty@nl.rogers.com) know before Wednesday January 19<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be \$20 or 30 depending on the numbers ordered. Here's a link if you would like to take a look: <https://openbooks.library.umass.edu/unseen-labor-exhibit>

Our Youth Guild is meeting again at the AC Hunter Library every second Saturday. Jewel taught an embroidered Christmas card in December that was enjoyed by all. Thank you, Jewel!

The library is no longer willing to house the Youth Guild cart. In the early days of the pandemic, they contacted a former member of the guild, Elizabeth Chia, and she went and rescued the cart, and it was in her basement until recently. Profuse thanks to Elizabeth for her help. We will do a better job of making sure the library has up to date contact info for the group in future. The cart is currently at my house and the Youth Guild committee is going to figure out what to do with it, soon, I hope (LOL).



The Program committee says to get your needles ready to work on a Bargello needlecase with Jewel. January's program piece from Gillian is a small pansy stitched with DMC floss. This will be a chance to improve your long and short technique. Please email Gillian ( [gebrown@nf.sympatico.ca](mailto:gebrown@nf.sympatico.ca) ) if you would like a kit as it will give her an idea of how many to make. Please bring a small 4 or 5 inch hoop to the meeting if you have one. Kit cost for either kit is \$5. Laura is working up a stumpwork butterfly for March and April.

The Workshop committee is working on confirming dates with Mike Parr for the fall.

News from EAC: EAC has been finding that previous ways of communicating with the membership needs to be more nimble, so beginning with the January issue of eThreads every member who has provided an email address will receive the eThreads newsletter. This way everyone will have access to the same information at the same time. News about activities and opportunities will be shared with all members through eThreads, the EAC member newsletter. If you don't want to receive eThreads, the unsubscribe button will remove you from the distribution list.

Do you remember the twinning Project? We will be setting up another Zoom meeting with the Hertfordshire group at the end of the month and are looking for members to send photos of their work so that we can show off our skills to their group. We saw what they do, now it is time for us to show off what we do. Please send photos of your work to Jane [janemcostello@gmail.com](mailto:janemcostello@gmail.com) with a short note explaining what it is, and she will put together a slideshow to share with everyone. Please send your best quality (highest resolution) images, and Jane will work her magic.

In June of 2015, It feels like forever ago, some of our membership took part in a challenging workshop with Catherine Jordan, featuring maps. Margie Angel is giving those of us who have not finished their maps a nudge. As the techniques from this workshop will be the focus for the Battle Harbour project in July 2023, she would like to set the pace and get back in gear. On

Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, Margie is inviting anyone who is interested in reacquainting themselves with their maps, to gather at her home for the day to see where they are in their own projects and to work on them in like-minded company. All of us who put that project aside to chase other squirrels would benefit from seeing the maps on the table again to compare notes and move forward. Margie lives at 27 Ocean Pond Road, Ocean Pond (near Whitbourne), 50 minutes from Costco. She says bring your lunch and come for the day. Carpool if you like. RSVP <maangel27@gmail.com> or phone 689-5381.

All this sounds like a great way to start the new year! We will be looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting on January 31<sup>st</sup> at the Shriner's Center. The doors open at 7 for the meeting to start at 7:30 pm.

Happy New Year to everyone!

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