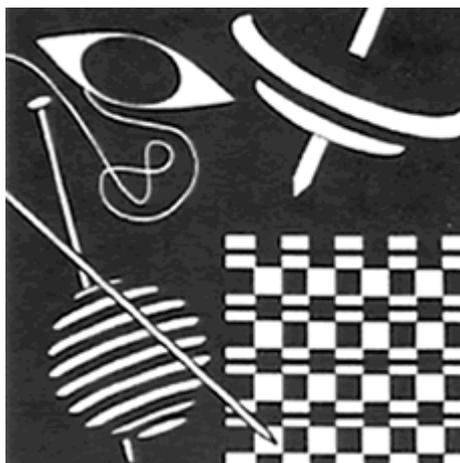


EAST SURREY GUILD CREATIVE FIBRES

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RECENT MEETINGS

Viva Lloyd, “Making a Buttonhole Book Workshop” - Saturday 15th June 2010



Viva has visited Headley several times in the past to deliver workshops. This was the first time that I had participated and I was nervous about keeping up, as it is many years since I cut and assembled paper designs. I did find it hard to finish all the items in one day but the demonstrations given by Viva and the excellent instruction sheets served as a lasting memory jogger to complete all the tasks.

We attempted four books during the day – the buttonhole book, a sweet little luggage label book, a complicated pyramid book and for the fast workers and a tête-à-tête book. Quite a challenge and there wasn't the usual amount of chatting as we concentrated on measuring, cutting, folding and pressing pages for the 'buttonhole book', before we settled to the challenging pyramid. Viva kept throwing in remarks such as “I find this process really relaxing” while some of us were going cross-eyed with concentration!

Later comments from the group pointed to the luggage label and the buttonhole book as the favourites amongst family and friends. As Viva wrote in her instructions ‘the exposed spine of the buttonhole book makes a beautiful vehicle for the coloured paper, card and thread’ It was surprisingly quick to construct and sew.

My favourite was the luggage label book as it was quick to do and could be easily adapted to finish off the wrapping of a special present.

The day went very quickly and Viva was a patient teacher. Perhaps in time we could be as relaxed in the craft, but most of us went home exhausted by the concentrated effort, proudly clutching our colourful books. As always every book was totally different from its neighbour, as the photos show.

Note: For examples of buttonhole books on the Web see Cailun.info - a paper and bookbinding blog.

Norma Halder

Summer Demonstrations

During the summer members attended various shows on behalf of our guild. Thank you very much to all of you who helped. Here are photos from some of the shows.



Shabden Park Farm



Celebrating Surrey – Loseley Park



Ockley & Okewoodhill Flower Show

FUTURE MEETINGS

Saturday 18th September – Bound to be Beautiful with Diana & Chrissie

This is a tutored workshop. This workshop is full but if you want to be on the reserve list please contact our treasurer, Janet.

Saturday 16th October – Open Day

As part of Mole Valley Arts Alive this meeting will be open to the public. We will have demonstrations and members of the public will be able to have a go.

FOR YOUR DIARIES

Until 26th September – Grace Kelly: Style Icon, Victoria & Albert Museum

For more information phone 020 7942 2000 or online at www.vam.ac.uk

9th July – 24th October – Horrockses Fashions: Off the peg style in the 40s & 50s, Fashion & Textile Museum

For more information phone 020 7409 5730 or online at www.ftmlondon.org

5th September – London Bead Fair, Kempton Park Racecourse from 10.00am – 4pm

For more information phone 01747 840213 or online at www.westofenglandevents.co.uk

15th – 19th September – International Braid Workshops, Leicester

Tutors are: Makiko Tada – Kumihimo, Julie Hedges – Ply Splitting & Anna Crutchley – passementerie & tassels.

For more information email leicester2010@googlemail.com or write to Debbie Richardson, Spring House, Old Stone Trough Lane, Kelbrook, Lancs, BB18 6UE or online at www.braidsociety.com

16th – 18th September Hanging by a Thread

Exhibition of new work by the Cambridgeshire Guild of Weavers, Spinners & Dyers, at Michaelhouse, Trinity Street, Cambridge, CB2 1SU. For more information, contact 01223 327685 or email secretary@cambsguildwsd.org.uk

26th September – The Textile Society's 1st London Textile Fair, Kensington Town Hall from 10.30am – 4.30pm

For more information contact Kay Bryant on 01491 572126 or online at www.textilesociety.org.uk

7th - 10th October - The Knitting and Stitching Show, Alexandra Palace, London

For more information phone 020 8692 2299 (for group tickets) or 01473 320407 (for groups of less than 10) or online at www.twistedthread.com

4th - 9th October Diamond

An exhibition of handmade textiles by the London Guild of Weavers, Spinners & Dyers at the WAC Gallery, 14 Bayliss Road, London SE1 7AA

If you have any comments, tips or interesting items for future newsletters please “contact us” via the website.

Janice Russell