

# Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild



Sometimes you have to look down for color inspiration. The soft colors of these rocks—violets, blues, greys and beiges—stopped me in my tracks during my trip to Montana last month.  
—Debbie

## September program reminder

*Alma shared this info in our last newsletter, but given our long summer break, it's worth repeating:*

Our Sept. 16 program is *Ideas and Inspiration*. Where do you get the ideas and inspiration for your best fiber projects—books, magazines, friends, photos, Pinterest, blogs, the work of others? For our first program of the year, join us for a group exploration on developing concepts and examining dreams. Share a favorite project from beginning to end.

*NOTE: Dues (\$25) for the 2017-18 CWSG year will be due at our September meeting.*

## Show pieces due in September

Please bring fiber work for our October "Birds of a Feather" show to the Sept. 16 meeting for Sharon Williams to pick up.

## Officers 2017-2018

*Each officer serves a two-year term on the CWSG board.*

- President: Nancy Landrum
- Vice president: Alma Ellis
- Secretary: Beth Palmer
- Librarian/historian: position open
- Treasurer: Nancy Hester

## About CWSG

CWSG brings together people who enjoy and want to learn more about weaving and/or spinning.

### Membership

Membership is open to anyone with like interests. Annual membership fee is \$25. A membership form is available at [cvillewsg.com](http://cvillewsg.com); click on "membership."

### Meetings

We usually meet on the third Saturday of the month, September through May. Meetings include a business session, program and show-and-tell, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Mississippi Craft Center in Ridgeland, unless otherwise noted.

### Newsletter

Please email newsletter submissions to newsletter editor Debbie Stringer ([news@ecm.coop](mailto:news@ecm.coop)) by the first of the month of publication.

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## New 'Craft in America' show to air

"Borders & Neighbors," the next episode in the PBS TV series "Craft in America," will explore the relationship and influences between Mexican and American artisans. Traditional weaving and paper jewelry will be featured. The show will air Friday, Sept. 29, at 8 p.m. on Mississippi Public Broadcasting.

## Cochineal exhibit at La. museum

"The Red That Colored the World" explores the history and use in art of cochineal, an insect-based dye source, at the Louisiana Art & Science Museum, in Baton Rouge. Included are textiles, sculpture, manuscripts, paintings, decorative arts, clothing and more, plus a hands-on science area for all ages. Dates are Sept. 16 through Jan. 14, 2018. Learn more at [lasm.org](http://lasm.org).

## CWSG Moment in History

*from Marcy Petrini*

Roc Day 1996 was held in Canton, MS. Newsletter editor Carol Parks wrote about the event in the January newsletter:

"IT RAINED, AND STILL THEY CAME. It began to freeze and they still came. There were threads of closed highways, but did they stay away? Of course not! It was ROC DAY 1996!

She also contributed a recipe for a chocolate sheet cake about which she wrote: "I had a few requests for this recipe after Roc Day, so here it is. I'm fond of this cake not only because it's sinfully, indulgently good, but also because it's just about the only thing I can cook!"

Sadly, I have lost track of Carol.

## Upcoming Meetings

*All meetings begin at 10 a.m. at the Mississippi Craft Center, unless otherwise noted.*

- **Sept. 16: Program: Ideas and Inspiration.** Dues are due at this meeting.
- **Oct. 14:** CWSG members will demo at the Mississippi Craft Center.
- **Nov. 18**
- **Dec. 9: Holiday Party**

## Calendar

- **Mississippi Gourd Festival**, Sept. 15-16, Smith County Ag Complex, Raleigh. Indoor event with handcrafted gourds, ready-to-craft gourds, classes, demos, tools/supplies, more; 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Details: 601-782-9444 or [mississippigourdsociety.org](http://mississippigourdsociety.org).
- **Mississippi's Craft Heritage**, Oct. 14, Mississippi Craft Center, Ridgeland. This Mississippi Bicentennial event will feature living history portrayals of craft demos (including CWSG members), contests and games, and hands-on craft activities. Details: [CraftmensGuildofMS.org](http://CraftmensGuildofMS.org).
- **Chimneyville Crafts Festival**, Dec. 1-2, Mississippi Trade Mart, Jackson. Preview party Nov. 30, 6-9 p.m. Info: [CraftmensGuildofMS.org](http://CraftmensGuildofMS.org).
- **Roc Day 2018**, Jan. 6, Plaquemine, La. River Road Fiber Guild hosts.
- **Oxford Fiber Arts Festival**, Jan. 25-28. Details: [oxfordarts.com](http://oxfordarts.com) or Facebook: Yoknapatawpha Arts Council.