



January 2017 Newsletter



Hello!

We had a fun time at our January meeting. Sandy Porter gave a great talk about borders, where to find ideas, designing them, transferring the design onto your pattern and everything in between. She said there are many places to look for design ideas – books, magazines, museums, fabrics, and even the borders on dishes. Borders can be hooked, crocheted, braided, wool tongues and wooden framed. You're limited only by your imagination!

Here are some border examples that Sandy brought with her:





There are a number of rug hooking events coming up in the next few months, and there is a list of them further in the newsletter. Some are familiar ones (the Eliot Hook-in, the Westford Hook-In, the Franciscan House), but there are others that we usually don't 'advertise.' We decided to include them in case any members may be interested in attending.

Project Challenge

Reminder, we decided to go with two choices for the latest challenge:

1. **Mystery Artist piece** – select an artist you are interested in and hook a piece that is inspired by that artist. All artists are welcome, but it would especially interesting to select an “unknown” artist that you can research and share what you learn with our group.
2. **Celestial** – design and hook a piece that relates to outer space, stars, planets, etc.

Pieces will be displayed at the October 2017 meeting.



January Show and Tell



Ginny's floral rug.



Jeanne Failler's whimsical rug



And her chickadee pad



Lin Field's house. If I remember correctly, she said her father built this house. (Lin, apologies if I got this wrong!)



Lin's bunny is hooked with wool from her own llama.



Marcy's standing rug – maybe this could be a challenge some year?



Ania's really cool creation



Special visitor of the day, Simon!

External Events:

January 28, 2017, Hook-In, Elliott, ME

March 25, 2017 Region 1 Hook-in, Westford – the ATHA newsletter just came out. It will be forwarded separately.

February 11, 2017, Ania Knap's Dyeing Class – as of last Saturday, Ania had one spot available for her class. Please see her earlier email for specifics. If you are interested in attending, you can call her at 508-317-1837 or email her at akknap@gmail.com.

March 3 – 5, 2017, Franciscan House Retreat, Kennebunkport, ME - Please refer to Donna's email on 1/20 for details on this event or to register. You can also contact her at maxima234@gmail.com.

May 4 – May 7, 2017, ATHA Region 1 School South, Wisdom House, Litchfield CT.

May 21-26, 2017, Sebago Lake Rug School

October 11-14, 2017, ATHA Biennial, Cleveland, OH. Additional information will be available soon.

NOTE: Feel free to contact me if you want additional information on any of these events. I have info on some of them but don't have a working scanner at the moment, so I can't include it here.

Mayflower Meetings for 2016-2017:

Feb 18, 2017

- Bring Your Own Work
- Refreshments: Last Names with A-C

Mar 18, 2017

- Guest Speaker: Sarah Gulliani
- Refreshments: Last Names with D-I

Apr 22, 2017

- Big Bee & Auction
- Refreshments: J-R

May 20, 2017

- Elections (if applicable)
- Dues are due - \$25 (give to Ildi)
- Refreshments: Last Names with S - Z

June TBD, 2017

- Strawberry Festival (Location TBD)
- Refreshments: Sign Up Sheet

Meeting Location:

St. Agnes Church at 186 Woburn Street, Reading, MA in the upper Parish Hall behind the church.

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Crafting
comes before
Housework
in the dictionary.

As it should.

