



Greetings Mayflower friends!

Welcome to another Mayflower year! We're starting off with a bang in a new space with an exciting speaker.

Deana David of Ribbon Candy Hooking will join us for our first meeting at the Tewksbury Congregational church. She'll have a slide show based on her new book "The Rose's Tale: Hooking Modern Blooms from Old Roots". Dozens of hookers participated in hooking the patterns featured in the book, and this talk will highlight the various techniques and special touches that were employed in the creation of this rug collection. Deana will bring many of the actual rugs, as well as a handful of rugs featured in the upcoming autumn release, *October Road: A Collection of Halloween and Seasonal Patterns for the Autumn Heart*.

Deana will also describe the upcoming Halloween hook-in, in Stockbridge, MA this October, and she'll also be answering questions about the TIGHR convention in 2027.

Deana has visited us before and she's a charismatic speaker. See her bio on the next page.

I'd like to thank Jeannie Crockett and Catherine Flowers for their phone work and legwork in finding our new venue. They did the impossible and found us a pleasant and affordable space. Thanks ladies!

I missed everybody over the summer and I'm looking forward to seeing what everyone's been up to! Bring your newly completed mats and your mats featuring trees for show and tell.

See you in Tewksbury on Saturday!

Tina Carrick
Co-president

**Come Join us this Saturday,
September 19 at 10:00 for the first meeting of
our new year at our new location with Deana
David of Ribbon Candy Rug Hooking!!!**

Deana David is the creator of Ribbon Candy Hooking, a rug hooking brand and channel, with a live show on You Tube followed by thousands of rug hookers, crafters, and fiber artists from around the world. Deana's hallmark is designing whimsical patterns with a historical spirit. She records hundreds of instructional videos annually that connect an ever-growing community of rug makers and inspires beginners.



You can find her shop at ribboncandyhooking.com and you can find her on the YouTube Ribbon Candy Hooking channel where you'll find hundreds of inspirational and instructional videos. You can chat live with her three times a week when she runs fun shows where you can interact with her and the lively group of viewers who tune in and are always ready to encourage and bolster new friends.

Her facebook group is called 'Rug Hooking & Punch Needle Club' and there you'll find all the brand news, and more friends – maybe even in your local area. It's the largest rugging group in the country and the vibe is welcoming and supportive. People are forthcoming with help and advice.

She is clear that her brand is not about competition and excellence. It's about making folk art that represents the person making it. Everything she does is pointed toward helping you make fiber art that you're proud of and that represents your unique story. If you make something creative that tells your story, then she feels she's done her job right.

New Meeting Location – Search and Findings

Jeanie Crocket and Catherine Flowers set out this spring to identify and review possible locations worth considering for our meetings. They called and visited numerous locations in the area outlined as having the highest population of Mayflower members. They got prices as high as \$750 for an Elks club. Other locations were disqualified because they just weren't set up for us to have meetings given our requirements of lots of good light and space. We also needed a kitchen where we can get water for our coffee/tea as well as a small storage place for our supplies.

They were getting a bit desperate and decided to contact the **Tewksbury Congregational Church at 10 East Street, Tewksbury, MA**. The space met our requirements and the price of \$140 for each meeting was PERFECT! It is almost half the cost of our previous location in Reading. We will have to move our October meeting out a week due to a scheduling issue, but all other dates and times remain the same.

There is also a larger room at the church if we ever decide we want to sponsor a hook-in. There is plenty of parking to the right of the building as well as a handicap ramp. There are 2 stairs down to where we meet or an elevator if you prefer. We will have the information to open and lock up for each meeting. The tables and chairs remain set up. We are also able to keep a tub for storage at the facility.

We hope that our members will enjoy this space and we appreciate the hard work that Jeanie and Catherine put into looking at available options.



Hospitality

This month, we invite people with last names beginning with F-O to bring a snack to the meeting, either sweet or savory.

Membership

An updated membership list is attached. Please pay special attention to two things:

- (1) Check your payment status to make sure you have paid your renewal fees for this year.
- (2) Please check your ATHA expiration date. It is a requirement that Mayflower members keep their ATHA membership in good standing. ATHA supports our chapter by paying our insurance costs, without which we would have a higher annual membership fee. On top of that, you also get the benefit of getting the ATHA magazine every other month and access to the rich information on their website.

Special Invitation Show and Tell

Each month, members are invited to bring newly completed rugs. In addition, we invite people to bring older rugs that fit a specific theme. This way, new members get a chance to see some rugs that have previously been shown. Our themes for this year are as shown below.

September: We invite members to bring some hand crafted work of theirs that is NOT rug hooking. We know there is a lot of talent in our group, not just rug hooking but other crafts and needlework as well!

November: Fraktur inspired rugs

March: Farm Animals

December: Geometrics

April: Sports Themes

January: Hooked Wearables

May: Travel Rugs

February: Proddy

June: Angel Rugs

Our Annual Strawberry Festival last June

We would like to thank Debbie Power for hosting her second annual Strawberry Festival. This year was markedly warmer than last year, so people were able to enjoy the porch for the first time. There was even an inflatable tube man at the start of the driveway marking the event!





This picture looks unmistakably from New England, don't you think?





**Thank you Debbie
for opening your
house to us and
being such a lovely
hostess for our
party!**



Our Programs for this Year

October – Hook-in

Please note that due to a conflict with the church, this meeting will be delayed a week, until Oct 24

November - Haley Perry – *How working small allows for experimentation with materials and simplifies making a landscape (or anything, really)*

December – Holiday Luncheon

January – Member Journey

February – Flea Market

March - Janet Conner

April - Brenda Anderson

May – TBD (Member Sharing or Field Trip)

June – Annual Strawberry Festival

Upcoming Events of Interest

A short list of upcoming events is provided below. If you know of anything else coming up that should be added, please email Ildi at itary@comcast.net for publication in our next newsletter.

Halloween Hook-in, Sturbridge, MA

Oct 27, 2026

Sponsored by American Country Rugs. One day hook-in to include breakfast goodies, buffet lunch and beverages at the lovely Public House Historic Inn.

ATHA Region 1 School North, Freeport, ME

Oct 26-29, 2026

This is a new location for our annual rug hooking school! Teachers are Lisanne Miller, Vivily Powers, Maureen Rugar and Janet Connor. The registration form is in this newsletter on the following pages.

Downeast Hook-in, Hermon (near Bangor), ME

Oct 31-Nov 1, 2026

The hook-in this year will be held Sat-Sun on these dates. There are some additional classes offered on Friday, October 30.

Uncommon Rug Hooking Retreat, Plymouth, NH

Nov 2-4, 2026

Teachers are Brenda Anderson, Cyndy Duade, Emily Williams and Jyl Blauvelt Robbins. For information, see [here](#).

Plymouth Colony Rug School, Plymouth, MA

Feb 25-27, 2027

Teachers are Lucille Festa, Sarah Guiliani, Maureen Rugar, Kathy Spellacy and Diane Stoffel. This is the second year of this school. Information and registration information can be found on the following pages.

ATHA Region 1 School South, MA

Mar 30-Apr 2, 2027

Teachers are Loretta Scena, Kathleen Herbert, Maureen Rugar, and Dawn Hebert. Information and registration information can be found on the following pages. ***Please note that Dawn Hebert is offering a beginner's session, which is uncommon for schools.***

**2026 American Country Rugs invites you to the 2026 Halloween Hook-In
at the Public House Historic Inn**

Look who is in the movies! "Glinda"



Hook In at the Public House
Tuesday October 27 – 9am-3pm
277 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA
Cost \$48.00 Includes Breakfast Goodies,
Buffet Lunch, Coffee and Tea all day

THE PUBLIC HOUSE AMENITIES:

Location: The Inn is a ten minute drive off exit 38 on I-84 to Sturbridge.
The Inn provides a Lovely Hooking space, Easy Entry in to the building,
Lighting, Lodging, Dinning, a Bakery and vendors in the same room.

Come and join the fun great vendors, door prizes and a good time for all.

American Country Rugs
Lucille B. Festa
4743 RT 315, Pawlet, VT 05761
email: americancountryrugs@gmail.com Call: 802.325.2543

Public House Inn – First Annual Halloween Hook IN -- Tuesday October 27, 2026	
RSVP is open until Friday October, 23 Return this form with your check. See the note below for a Confirmation Request.	
Since this is a volunteer position, I was advised to have the checks addressed to me.	
The cost is 48.00. Checks are made payable to Lucille B. Festa	
Last Name: _____ First Name: _____	
Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____	
Zip: _____ Email: _____ Please write clearly	
Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Emergency Contact: _____	
Please indicate special diet requests, Please be specific:	
Confirmation Request	
<i>Please note: If you would like registration confirmation, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope. To avoid disappointment sign up early. Checks received on or before October, 15 will be deposited, after that date those checks cannot be returned. However, you can Sign up until October 23rd. Remember you must get that check to me before the 26th. (Checks cannot be deposited if the date is older than 60 days. I will make sure no one is left out). Thank you, for registering and I look forward to seeing all of you (time to dress up and have some fun!) Lucille ---</i>	

Hook IN (only)

October 31 - Nov.1, 2026

Times: Saturday 9:00 - 4:00, Sunday: 9:00 - 3:00

Morgan Hill Event Center 82 Morgan Hill Lane
Hermon, ME

Make Check Payable to: Down East Hook In & Mail To:

Nancy Jewett 1736 Wheeler RD Brandon, VT 05733

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

2 Days - Saturday & Sunday \$85.00 _____

1 Day \$45.00 Saturday _____ or Sunday _____

*** Registration Fee includes your lunch, beverages and morning snacks.

Dietary Allergies _____

* Cancellation Policy: Cancellations will receive a refund (minus processing fees if paid by credit card), up to 2 weeks before Hook In date. If we have a wait list and can fill your place, we will refund up to 5 days before the Hook In. After this date no refunds.

Down East Classes October 30, 2026

Hook In October 31 - Nov. 1, 2026

Gather, Inspire, Create

Classes on Friday, followed by our regular Hook In on Saturday & Sunday.

The cost for the class is \$155.00 for the day which includes class and catered lunch. Depending on the class, there may be an extra materials fee payable to the Teacher.

Teachers for 2026

Gail Dufresne - Proddy Fish

Lisa Chaloner - Design Your Own Project

Stacey Van Dyne - Open Class with troubleshooting, color help

Sandy Ferguson - Geometrics

Toni Philbrook - Hand Torn Pillow

Name _____

Address _____

Email: _____

Phone _____

Pick your choices in class and we will notify you which one you get in ASAP.

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Class \$155.00 _____ Class & 1 Day Hook In \$195.00 _____

Class & 2 Day Hook In \$240.00 _____

Make Check payable to: Down East Hook In

Mail To: Nancy Jewett- 1736 Wheeler Rd - Brandon, VT 05733

Halloween Mat Challenge:

This is a Peoples Choice for favorite. You vote for your favorite!.

Prizes are: 1st Place \$100, 2nd Place \$50, 3rd Place \$25. shopping spree with vendors!

Use whatever fibers you like, Use any pattern that has a size no smaller 12" and no larger than 14" (which means your Mat can be 12 x 12, 12 x 13, 12 x 14, 13 x 13, or 14 x 14.

(Your mat will not be counted if it does not meet size requirements.)

The winning rugs will be used for the Postcard and any advertising for the following year.

To allow for shopping time, the Winners will be announced Saturday after lunch.

You may frame your rug, the **mat** itself must be within our size requirements.

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Silent Auction/ 50/50 Raffle

Sunday after lunch

We will be holding a silent auction on Sunday. Bring a hooking or fiber related item to donate.

Each item in the auction will have a form to put your bid on. Keep checking if you really want the item! We'll announce the cut off time for bidding.

For the 50/50 Raffle, purchase tickets @ \$1 each or 6 @\$5. We draw a ticket and 1 person wins 1/2 the money collected! The other 1/2 is donated to the Museum.

The proceeds from the auction go to the **Hooked Rug Museum of North America.**

Hotel

Country Inn at The Mall

936 Stillwater Avenue Bangor, ME 04401

207-941-0200

ATHA Region 1 School North

October 26-29, 2026

Hilton Garden Inn Freeport (ME) Downtown

ATHA Region 1 School North Teachers: Our talented teachers are well experienced in various techniques and are anxious to feed your individual creative needs.

Lisanne Miller

Lisanne has wool in her veins. She first held a hook at the age of fourteen as part of the Bicentennial celebration of America: hooking a simple chair pad from some of her mother's old wool suits. The hook, wool, extra burlap, and chair pad traveled around with Lisa, treasured and stored in her mother's cedar chest. Then one day, a dear friend revealed that she had a new interest she just loved: primitive rug hooking. Lisanne went back to her hooking roots and has never looked back or put her hook down since, spending her time and imagination creating and designing whimsical, wonderful pieces of modern-day folk art.

Previously the founder and designer of P is for Primitive and Peace, Love, and Wool, Lisanne now owns a treasured source of rug hooking supplies and inspiration: W. Cushing & Co. in Wells, Maine. She is the author of *Beautiful Wool: In the Dye Kitchen with Lisanne Miller*, which guides the reader through the process of creating glorious colors and applying dyeing techniques. Lisanne is the director of Caraway Rug School.

Vivily Powers

Vivily Powers is a McGown certified teacher and owner of Colorema Wool. She is a member of McGown and ATHA Guilds and has been a judge for Rug Hooking Magazine's Celebration book.

Vivily is a skilled teacher and offers an open class in a variety of subjects. She encourages the beginner and will challenge the seasoned hooker. She will work with the students' views and color palette in order to create a unique finished product.

Vivily is noted for her beautiful custom dyed wool and color planning expertise. She provides pre-camp and advanced planning communication to the student in order to maximize class time. She can provide wool or use student provided wool for their project.

She shares rug hooking information, demonstrations, and finishing techniques during class.

The ultimate goal of the class is for the student to feel comfortable with a well-planned project and an enthusiasm for finishing the project.

Maureen Rugar

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Janet Conner

Janet Conner is an avid rug hooker who has been pulling loops since 1979. Graduating from Moore College of Art in Philadelphia, she spent 30 years teaching Elementary Art in southern Maine, while raising a busy family. After retirement in 2003, Janet was able to work at rug hooking and fiber arts full time, launching her web based business, which offers a line of her own patterns as well as rug hooking supplies and equipment, books, and natural dye recipe cards. She teaches fiber arts in her home state of Maine and throughout the US plus Bermuda, Canada, and England, with a specific focus on art history and the inspiration found in both fine art and folk art. In addition to rug hooking, she also teaches punch needle, proddy, and penny rug techniques.

Twenty-five years of studying and repairing antique rugs has influenced Janet's love of old fashioned methods and timeless motifs. She has contributed chapters on cleaning and repair of antique rugs to *Rug Hooking Magazine's* book *Finishing Hooked Rugs*. She co-authored *Rug Hooking Traditions with James & Mercedes Hutchinson*, released with the Hutchinson Exhibit, in August of 2016.

Janet's rugs have appeared in *Celebration of Hand-Hooked Rugs XXII*, *Rug Hooking Magazine*, *Hooked Rugs Today 2004*, & 2006 and galleries throughout New England. Her greatest joy is to foster the success of her students; many of whom have made rugs in her classes that have been featured in *Rug Hooking Magazine*. After a 30 year career teaching elementary art in public school, Janet continues to find her greatest joy in teaching.

Well known for her Van Gogh style hooking classes, Janet will be broadening her examination of art to include Impressionistic and Post Impressionistic styles of rug hooking. For this class students may choose one of Janet's patterns based on specific paintings, or create their own designs in the style of their chosen artist. Students will learn to analyze and discuss Impressionism and Post Impressionism, mimic the styles with the content of their choosing, and begin color planning and hooking rugs that emphasize artistic styles specific to artists like Monet, Van Gogh, Cezanne, Seurat, and Gauguin. Join Janet for an extensive journey through art history and learn to recreate some of the most famous and aesthetically pleasing styles in this thoughtful and analytic class.

ATHA Region 1 School North 2026 Registration Information

School North Director Rachel Johns rachelannjohns1967@gmail.com Phone: 207-523-0686

- Complete the registration form with your first and second teacher choices
 - Please send the registration form along with your \$80.00 deposit payable to **ATHA Region 1 School North** to:
Rachel Johns, 12 Village Corner Rd, Ossipee, NH 03864
 - The registration fee of \$356.00 includes lunch on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and is independent of all other costs such as lodging
 - Confirmation email will be sent to you upon receipt of your Registration Form and deposit.
(For a paper confirmation please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope)
 - There is a \$50.00 cancellation fee.
 - No refunds within 30 days of the first day of school unless school is cancelled by the Administration.
 - If you send the \$80 deposit, the balance of \$276.00 is due no later than September 1, 2026.
 - We have reserved a block of rooms for school attendees:
<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=PWMFDGI&groupCode=908&arrivaldate=2026-10-26&departuredate=2026-10-29&cid=OM.WW.HILTONLINK.EN.DirectLink&fromid=HILTONLINKDIRECT>
- Or call the hotel at (207) 865-1433 and tell them you are with the Rug School

All Attendees must be a member of National ATHA with current dues paid.

If you are not a current member, please send \$32.00 membership dues to: Patty Andrisani, 139 Columbus Circle, Clarks Summit, PA 18411 Email: membership@atharugs.com or online www.atharugs.com

ATHA Region 1 School North 2026 Registration

Form *Please print clearly.*

Name _____

ATHA Chapter _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Please list TWO choices. Please do not contact the teacher directly until assignments are confirmed.

1st Choice of teacher: _____

2nd Choice of teacher: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Allergies /dietary restrictions: _____

_____ None _____ Vegan _____ Non-Dairy _____ Gluten Free _____ Other* (_____)

Specific medical allergy _____

Medical information: _____

Enclosed: _____ Deposit \$80.00 (Balance \$276 due no later than September 1, 2026)

_____ Payment in full \$ 356.00

Plymouth Colony Rug School 2027

February 25 – 27, 2027

Location: Join us for Plymouth Colony Rug School (PCRS) at the Hotel 1620 on 180 Water Street Plymouth, MA. The hotel is located in the heart of the Plymouth waterfront right off the Southeast Expressway with historic site seeing, beautiful ocean views, numerous restaurants and endless shopping. All levels of rug hooking experience are welcome.

Arrival: **Check In** is Thursday, February 25 from 8 am – 9 am at the Mayflower Room in the Hotel 1620.

Class Schedule - Classes begin: Thursday, February 25, 2027 @ 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Friday, February 26, 2027 @ 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Saturday, February 27, 2027 @ 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Lunch Served on Thursday & Friday, 12 pm – 1:30 pm

Depart: Saturday, February 27, 2027 @ 2:00 pm

- Light Breakfast will be served Thursday to Saturday mornings.
- We have added a fifth teacher this year!
- Paula, our Massage Therapist is returning!!
- The Boutique will be open – details to follow for consignment.

For more information contact:

Joanne Levine
58 Franklin Terrace
Duxbury, MA 02332

774-454-6508; joannelevine58@gmail.com

Teaching Staff

Lucille Festa: 4743 State Route 315 Pawlet, VT 05761 (802) 325-2543

Sarah Guiliani: P.O. Box 2316 South Portland, Maine 04116 (207) 233-1953

Maureen Rugar: 8 Beaver Road LaGrangeville, NY 12540 (845) 891-8881

Kathy Spellacy: 303 Beach Rd., Eliot, Maine 03903 (207) 363-8045

Diane Stoffel: P.O. Box 640 Brewster, MA 02631 (508) 896-5225

Registration Information

Registration Fee: \$375 for All Attendees. This includes classes for 3 days and lunch on Thursday & Friday. A light & healthy breakfast is offered Thursday through Saturday mornings as well as a coffee, tea & water station throughout the class days.

- **\$160 Deposit is due no later than November 30, 2026.**
- **Balance of \$215 is due no later than January 15, 2027.**

Teacher choices are on a first come basis.

Confirmation email will be sent to you upon receipt of your Registration Form and deposit.
(Paper confirmation – please enclose a self- addressed stamped envelope)

- There is an \$80 cancellation fee before January 15, 2027.
- No refunds after January 15, 2027.

Accommodations:

Hotel 1620 rooms are available. ***Cutoff date for discount room reservation is January 25, 2027.***

To reserve a room, contact the Hotel 1620 directly at 508-747-4900. If you desire to extend your stay a day before or a day after the rug school, please mention and the Hotel 1620 will include the same rate. Please note that if you must cancel your stay, it must be 7 days prior to arrival date for refund. Check In time: 4 PM & Check Out time: 11AM.

Mention that you are with the **Plymouth Colony Rug Hookers 2027** group.

Online Registrations may be made on www.hotel1620.com and entering the GROUP code:
PCRH2620

Keep This for Your Records

Mailed Registration Form on _____ with Deposit of \$160 (no later than November 30, 2026) or Full Payment of \$375. Check # _____

Mailed Balance payment of \$215 (no later than January 15, 2027) on _____
Check # _____

Teacher choice: #1 _____

#2 _____

#3 _____

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February 25 – 27, 2027
REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Cell: _____ Other: _____

Email: _____

Choice of Teachers:

1# _____

2# _____

3# _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Address _____

Telephone: _____

Allergies/Dietary/Gluten-Free Restrictions: ____ None ____ Yes

List: _____

**** Please note:** Many people are sensitive to perfumes – we encourage **Perfume Free Please**

Enclosed: ____ Deposit \$160 (due no later than November 30, 2026)

____ Payment in full \$375

- Please Return completed Registration Form and Deposit Fee (Checks made out to:
Plymouth Colony Rug Hookers)

Mail to: Joanne Levine

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ATHA Region 1 School South

Sturbridge, MA 01566 At the Publick House Historic Inn www.publickhouse.com

March 30 - April 2, 2027

ATHA Region 1 School South Teachers: Our talented teachers are well experienced in various techniques and are anxious to feed your individual creative needs.

Dawn Hebert

Dawn is a certified McGown teacher who has been hooking for over 20 years. She is a low key, supportive teacher. She teaches rug hooking styles from wide cut primitive to fine shading. She prefers using traditional materials, including textures, over dyed spots, and swatches. All cut sizes are welcome. Dawn has served as Treasurer and Assistant Director of Northern McGown Teachers Workshop. She also teaches at Seaside Rug Hooking Co. in North Kingston, Rhode Island and has published articles in Atha Magazine and the McGown Newsletter. Her goals are to make the student comfortable, to ensure the student succeeds, is happy with their project and has a positive rug hooking experience.

Dawn will be teaching a beginner's rug hooking class. The class will be designed for those who want to learn to hook or are in the beginning of their rug hooking experience. She will be in touch with students prior to the workshop to plan for their individual goals. The class will allow for more attention to beginners.

Bring a project you have been working on or choose a nice beginner level new project.

You can choose from fine, mid or wide cut projects, in any hooking style from fine cut to wide cut primitive. Focus will be on hooking techniques and tips for the beginner. Mini lessons/tips will be provided throughout the workshop.

Dawn can provide wool for your project and will have wool for sale in class. She will also have available hooking tools for those who are really just starting out. Kits can be made to include beginners hoop, hook, pattern and mid cut, pre-cut strips. Wool cutters will be available in different sizes for those who do not yet have cutters.

Kathleen Herbert

Kathleen has been hooking for almost 30 years. She is a member of ATHA and a Certified McGown Teacher. She enjoys hooking in many different styles and cuts of wool and enjoys experimenting mixing in different materials in her rugs. Lately she has focused on wide cut

primitive rugs reproducing the look of an antique rug. She is noted for her reproductions of Tavern Signs and other antique patterns. Her classroom is an open classroom which is open to all levels of expertise and all designs are welcome. She is as comfortable with fine shading as she is with wide-cut primitives. Her wool ranges from gradated swatches to as-is textures. Kathleen's passion is color planning rugs. She has attended many workshops and has studied under many notable teachers, learning from some of the best! Along with her lectures, Kathleen has taught at McGown Workshops and ATHA Workshop North and other ATHA guilds and is happy to pass on her knowledge. Kathleen collects antique rugs and lectures on the history of rug hooking in America using her collection of antique rugs as illustrations and inspiration for her rugs.

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Loretta Scena

Loretta Scena lives on Long Island, NY. She is a self-taught Fiber artist and creative who uses beads, fabric manipulation, needle felting, specialty fibers, and hand dyed wool to create unique embellishments that will add dimension and texture to your hooked artwork.

She is a McGown accredited Traditional Rug Hooking teacher who, prior to Covid, traveled all along the east

coast teaching the art of traditional rug hooking at several wonderful rug schools. During that time away, she immersed herself in playing with all types of interesting mediums and creative outlets and fell in love again with writing and painting.

She is a current member and past president of The Long Island Guild of Rugcrafting Artists, whose organization has reproduced several of the rugs that are featured in the restored houses in Old Bethpage Village Restoration, Bethpage, New York. Loretta has had her work featured in Rug Hooking Magazine, ATHA Magazine, and in the McGown Newsletter as well as in several books by other Rug hooking Artists. She is the creator and administrator of Facebooks group "Rug Hooking Camps, Shows, Workshops And Classes" which has over 11,000 members.

Find her work on Instagram "Needle Brush and Hook".

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Sarah Guiliani, P.O. Box 2316, South Portland, ME 04116

Contact School South Director Sarah Guiliani at uhookrugs@yahoo.com Phone: 207-233-1953

- **The registration fee of \$356.00 (including the \$80.00 deposit) includes lunch** on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (March 30, 31, and April 1) and is independent of all other costs.
- Confirmation email will be sent to you upon receipt of your Registration Form and deposit.
(For paper confirmation please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope)
- There is a \$50.00 cancellation fee.
- No refunds within 30 days of the first day of school unless school is cancelled by the Administration.
- **If you send the \$80 deposit, the balance of \$276 is due no later than March 1, 2027.**
- To reserve a room, please contact the Publik House Inn directly at 508-347-3313. Please mention you are with the ATHA Rug School Group.

All Attendees must be a member of National ATHA with current dues paid.

If you are not a current member, join online at www.atharugs.com or send \$32.00 membership dues to:
Patty Andrisani, 1139 Columbus Circle, Clarks Summit, PA 18411-9597 Email: membership@atharugs.com

For your records: 1st teacher choice _____
2nd teacher choice _____
3rd teacher choice _____

Mailed registration on _____
with payment of _____

ATHA Region 1 School South 2027 Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Please list three teacher choices.

1st Choice of teacher: _____

2nd Choice of teacher: _____

3rd Choice of teacher: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Allergies /dietary restrictions: _____

_____ None _____ Vegan _____ Non-Dairy _____ Gluten Free _____ Other* (_____)

Specific medical allergy _____

Medical information: _____

Enclosed: _____ Deposit \$80.00 (Balance \$276 due no later than March 1, 2027)

_____ Payment in full \$ 356.00