

Classes (Winter/Spring, 2008)

Knit 101 • Beginner's Level

Always a regular and always necessary for those interested in finding out what the all excitement about knitting is about. In this 2-hr session, you will learn the basics skills of knitting as well as casting on and binding off. In addition, we offer a follow-up support session to help with problems, answer questions, and make sure you're firm on your feet. *Supplies:* worsted weight yarn and US size 8 or 9 needles

Tuition: \$20

Dates:

- Sunday, Mar 2nd, 11:00am – 1:00pm
- Sunday, April 6th, 11:00am – 1:00pm
- Tuesday, May 6th, 6:00am – 8:00pm
- Wednesday, June 4th, 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Crazy Cardigan

A much lighter version of the sweater, a 1st Cardigan is the perfect introduction to spring garment knitting. Found in *Knitscene Winter07/Spring08*, the **Clover Card** by Carrie Bostick Hoge is quite easy to knit, helps you learn about seaming and shaping, and is light enough for Springwear.

Supplies: a supply list will be provided by the instructor

Tuition: Each session \$20 or all four \$75

Dates:

- Saturday, Mar. 29th, 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Saturday, April. 12th, 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Saturday, April 26th, 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Saturday, May 10th, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Crochet for Knitters (and Beginners)

Crocheting is an important skill a knitter should have. Crochet, a fantastic handskill in itself, also allows the knitter to add interest to their garments and other knit items. In this class, learn the basic skills of crocheting.

Supplies: crochet hook size H, worsted weight yarn

Tuition: \$20

Dates:

- Saturday, Mar. 8th, 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Saturday, April 5th, 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Saturday, May 17th, 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Saturday, June 21st, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Lace

Lace is one of the most beautiful results of knitting. Consisting of strategically placed increases and decreases, lace knitting is certainly a form of artwork. Lace takes on many forms of identity, from Gossamer styles to heirloom Shetland knits to the classic pi shawl. A bit of a challenge, but completely worth the effort. We'll walk you through it in this 3 session class.

Tuition: \$60

Dates:

- Sunday, April 6th, 20th, & May 4th, 5:00-7:00pm
- Saturday, May 17th, 31st, & June 14th, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Colorwork I – Swatching Fair Isle

A perfect introduction to color stranding, swatching will allow students to familiarize themselves with the technique of colorwork. Learn how to hold the yarns, establish correct tension with each color, and read and knit from color charts.

Supplies: 24” circulars US 3 or 4, Jamieson Shetland DK in two colors

Tuition: \$20

Dates:

- Tuesday, April 9th, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- Wednesday, May 14th, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- Tuesday, June 24th, 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Colorwork II – Advanced

If you'd like a bit of a challenge, this lesson is perfect for you. Offered in 3 monthly 2.5-hour sessions, this class will focus on two-color stranding as well as color and garment design.

Supplies: a supply list will be provided by the instructor

Tuition: \$80

Dates:

- Sunday, April 13th, May 18th & June 22nd, 10:30am – 1:00pm

Pattern Reading

Intimidated by all the abbreviations and charts? Wondering what “pssso” or that “o” in the charts mean? Trust us. It may look like a foreign language, but it's actually very easy to understand.

Tuition: \$20

Dates:

- Sunday, April 27th, 11:00am – 1:00pm
- Tuesday, May 13th, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- Saturday, June 14th, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Luggage bag

A large, luggage bag is the perfect carry-all for your belongings. Learn about bag design and construction, pouches and zipper pockets, and fabric lining. The first two sessions of this class will focus on design and construction, while the third focuses on lining and finishing. Sign up for the first two, the last, or all three sessions.

Supplies: a supply list will be provided by the instructor

Tuition: Sessions 1 & 2 - \$40; Session 3- \$20; All three - \$55

Dates:

- Sunday, May 4th, June 4th & 15th, 11am-1pm
- Saturday, July 19th, 26th & Aug. 2nd, 10:00am – 12:00pm

Fix those Mistakes

It's very common that a knitter will proceed with a project, only to set it to the side (sometimes, for much too long) when a mistake has been encountered. While we're happy to fix those mistakes for you, perhaps you'd like to be a bit more independent. No reason why you should let your knitting intimidate you. Be in control. In this class, we'll tackle the common dilemmas, and most importantly, help you recognize your mistakes.

Tuition: \$40

Dates:

- Tuesday, April 22nd & 29th, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- Sunday, May 18th & June 1st, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Wednesday, June 18th & 25th, 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Socks

Knitting socks is quick, fun, portable, and completely non-seasonal – for those who prefer not to work on a heavy wool garment during the summer. With so many gorgeous sock yarns and stitch patterns, the options are limitless. This class is offered in 2 two-hour sessions. *Supplies:* a supply list will be provided by the instructor

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Tuition: \$40

Dates:

- Saturday, April 19th & May 3rd, 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Tuesday, May 20th & June 3rd, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- Sunday, June 28th & July 12th, 11:00am – 1:00pm

Private Lessons

Private individual and group lessons are also available should you prefer more one-on-one mentoring or would like to have a private class with friends or for children. Please inquire for more information.

Demonstrations

These free workshops give you the opportunity to learn a new knitting skill without the commitment of a class. Every 1st Thursday of the month, 6:00pm – 8:00pm, we will focus on a new topic, such as steeking, cabling, blocking, fixing mistakes, shaping, and more. You're invited to come by to learn.

Increases and Decreases and Short Rows (Mar. 6th)

Believe it or not, there are numerous forms of shaping. For example, in addition to k2tog (knit two stitches together) and ssk (slip two stitches and then knit them together), there is also yo (yarn over), pssso (pass slipped stitch over) and more. At this demonstration, we'll not only discuss these types of increases and decreases but will have samples for you to see how each one makes a unique shaping.

Blocking (April 3rd)

Blocking is the final step a knitter should take before completion of any garment. This process permits a knitted piece to rid itself of unevenness and eases the shaping and seaming processes. We'll demonstrate the process of blocking as well discuss its benefits.

Swatching (May 1st)

Swatching is vital for establishing gauge when beginning a garment. Learn about the purpose of swatching, the steps involved in the process, as well as swatching different fibers and weights.

Cast-ons & Bind-offs (June 5th)

Aside from the backward loop, knitted on, and long-tail cast-ons, there are numerous others. The same holds true for bind-offs. Come by and we'll discuss with you the various methods of beginning and ending your knitted items. Learn about cast-ons such as the cable, Bavarian-twisted, elastic long-tail, provisional, Channel Island, Bavarian-twisted, or tubular cast-on. Learn also about bind-offs such as the EZ sewn, tubular, Russian, three-needle or kitchener stitch bind-off.

Knit-Ins and Other Groups

Join us on the following days as others gather to knit, crochet, and/or spin:

- **Sundays:**
 - Open Knit-in, 1:00pm - 6:00pm
 - Afghan Knit Along (Beginning Jan. 27th), 2:00pm – 4:00pm
- **2nd Tuesdays:** Spinning group, 4:30pm - 7:30pm
- **3rd Tuesdays:** Book Club, 5:00 – 8:00pm
- **Thursdays:**
 - Knit Along & Knit Night, 5:00pm - 8:00pm
 - Workshops/Demonstrations (1st Thursdays), 6:00pm - 8:00pm