



President's Letter, May 2024

CHAPTER MEETING

Chapter meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month from January to November.

Meetings are held in-person at Ladue Chapel at 1:00 pm.

From June to August, we hold stitch-ins in a member's home.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 5

Spring Retreat 10am – 4pm
Sign of the Arrow

Thursday, May 16

Spring Luncheon 11am – 3pm
Algonquin Golf Club

Summer Stitch-Ins

TBD



Spring is HERE, our year is ending, SUMMER is coming. The Gateway ANG Chapter's 2023 - 2024 year is almost over. Bummer. What a year! We've had great monthly programs featuring areas of interest for every member. Shout out to the work of Suzanne Nielsen for this successful year! Each Needlenotes issue has had information about upcoming monthly programs and your attendance was the reward to all board members to justify our hard work planning these events. We appreciate your feedback and suggestions reflecting your interests.

During the summer months of June, July, and August we do not have formal monthly meetings. In the past years we have offered a couple of summer stitch-ins at members' homes. We are hoping to offer these again this summer. If you are interested, we will send out date and time notification to the members. Some of our members also regularly stitch at the local shops, I am sure they would be delighted to have you join them. I have a few suggestions for our members during the summer months:

Keep an eye on the Gateway ANG Chapter website [ANG Gateway Chapter http://www.gatewayang.org](http://www.gatewayang.org). We post upcoming events and notifications that sometimes are in-between newsletters. We also post chapter pictures you send to our webmaster Lisa Balbes. Read the newsletter which comes out every two months. I send the current Needlenotes issue to all members. The Needlenotes is also posted to the website. Keep in touch with your board members. Drop us a note or call with your interests. Your recommendations have been known to develop into a future program.

Keep stitching. I've been reviewing my stash of needlepoint canvas' and working on unfinished projects. I have also seen very interesting new canvas' that were introduced at the April Needlepoint market and are available at our local shops. Fun, fun, fun.

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Take a class. Local shops have educational opportunities with local teachers ranging from a few hours to a few days. On-line classes offer some on your own pace classes, some have incorporated zoom and u-tube videos into their classes.

Please bring your summer projects to our next in person meeting which will be held Thursday, September 19, 2024 at Ladue Chapel, 1 pm. I will see you then and please, be safe and enjoy your summer!

Margaret

Upcoming Events

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our Spring Retreat on May 5 at Sign of the Arrow (10am – 4pm) and our Spring Luncheon at Algonquin on May 16 (11am – 3 pm)

Summer Activities

The Saint Louis Art Museum is a fun, inside, air-conditioned summer distraction when it is muggy, hot, and humid outside. The Matisse exhibit is open now thru May 12, 2024 and there are several smaller textile exhibits showing during the summer months. Some activities are ticketed, some free, and someday all events are free. A couple I recommend are Shimmering Silks in Gallery 100 and Native American Art in Gallery 234.

Blossom Time
September 20-21, 2024
By: Kathy Rees



Spring has sprung! Layers of threads, and stitches create the bands above and below the center ribbon of beaded embroidery and embellishments.

Technique: Counted Canvas
Proficiency: Intermediate
Kit & Class Fee: \$176
Design Area: 4" x 12"

Kit Contents: 18 count vintage French blue canvas, beads, and embellishments, all threads to complete the project. Instructions included.

Student Provides: Stretcher bars, tacks or staples, usual stitching supplies, laying tool, stand, frame weight or clamp for hands-free stitching, light, and magnifier, if needed. Class supply list will be sent before class to participants.

Name _____ ANG# _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____

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Pay either by cash or check payable to "Gateway ANG".

Send all registration forms and payment to:

Margaret Orend
2833 McNair Avenue
St Louis, Missouri 63118

This form and payment must be submitted to be registered for the class.

Payment Method: Check # _____ Cash _____

*****Registration Deadline is June 1, 2024*****

ANG Stitch Away

Calling all Gateway ANG members. It's time to register for 3 days of stitching and fun. This year's stitch away returns to Mercy Conference Center. We have made a few changes that we want highlight. First of all, you are welcome to arrive at 10:30 AM on Monday—that gives you more time to stitch! This second one is **fabulous!!!!** We have arranged for 2 local teachers, Diane Haynes & Linda Sher, to come for a mini embellishment class. Each attendee will receive personalized help and instruction on a canvas of their choosing. More details to follow. Lastly, the cost to you is actually decreased—can you believe it? Our ANG Guild is funding some of the expense. The Stitch Away is only open to guild members. It is a great opportunity to get to know fellow members while finishing up some of those WIP's.

Once again you have the choice of a private room or you can find a buddy to share. All meals will be provided starting with sandwiches and snacks on Monday at 12 noon. Yes, there will be happy hour—snacks and wine provided (you are free to bring any other refreshing beverage you may like). We hope to have a great attendance again this year so sign up early! Any questions: reach out to Judy Lewis, Hanna Evens aka the exercise lady, Jane Normile, or Debbie Trowbridge.

*ANG Stitch Away 2024
October 14th-16th
Mercy Conference Center*

Arrive Monday at 10:30 AM
Depart Wednesday at 3PM

Rates are \$275 for a single room; \$240 for a double room
All rooms have a private bath
All meals are included

Name _____

Single _____ Double _____ Room Mate (if double) _____

Food Allergies _____

Email _____

Deposit enclosed _____ (Deposit of \$100 due by June 15th; Balance due Sept. 15th)

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