

The Basket Art Guild was established to perpetuate the art of basketry and to stimulate public interest, appreciation, and knowledge of basketry.

2026 Basket Art Guild Board

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The Basket Art Guild meets approximately six times a year in Decatur, Illinois.

All workshops are held at the Long Creek Community Center unless otherwise stated.

We also host workshops that are taught by accomplished basket artisans.

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Special points of interest

- Have something for the newsletter? Send it in to Bonnie!
bonnierideout17@gmail.com
- Be sure to check out our Facebook page!
- Time to register for the Workshop Extravaganza!
- Nominations by September 30th!



So Much News!

The Basket Art Guild has an exciting lineup planned for the rest of this year and into 2027! Be sure to explore the brochure for our **Workshop Extravaganza** coming in October. Details about our annual Christmas Weave—and the special class offered the following day—will be available soon.

We are also pleased to share that Bev has secured a location where members can gather between events. See page 5 for all the details!

Your voice helps shape the future of the Basket Art Guild! Board nominations are due September 30. Please submit your nominations to Christine or Julie without delay. The nomination ballot is available on page 15.

Our August workshop with Jeanne Dudley was a wonderful success, filled with creativity, learning, and fellowship. Turn to page 9 for highlights from the event.

Pour yourself a cup of coffee or tea, settle in, and enjoy the latest news, events, and inspiration from the Basket Art Guild!



Workshop Extravaganza!

Friday, October 9th
Saturday, October 10th
2610 Salem School Rd, Decatur, Illinois
www.basketartguild.com

Registration is now open for The Basket Art Guild's first "Workshop Extravaganza"!
Four workshops held over two days;
Friday, October 9th and Saturday, October 10th.
Projects include weaving with wire, macrame, Kinusaiga, and basket weaving. Come try something new!

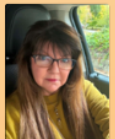
You do not have to be a member to attend but pre-registration is required. The deadline to register is **September 20th.**
Visit our website to view the details & brochure.
www.basketartguild.com

Bonnie's Baskets will be vending.
The other teachers may have items for sale.
Refreshments & door prizes daily!

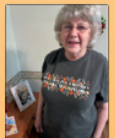
Meet your teachers...



Karen Brown



Pamela Larrick



Carol Osborn



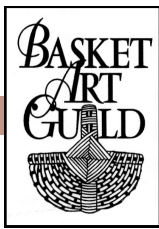
Bonnie Rideout



Bonnie's Baskets

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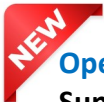
Basket Art Guild Events

2026

Workshop Extravaganza

Friday, October 9th & Saturday, October 10th
Long Creek Community Center

Registration is now open!



Open Weave!

Sunday, November 1st at 1pm
Mi Casa Mexican Restaurant
1045 N. State Hwy, 121, Mt. Zion, IL

Mi Casa is graciously allowing us to use their back room for free. We just need to purchase food/drinks. Bring a project and have some fun!

Let Bev know you will be attending!
(217) 972-5114 or Bdondeville@yahoo.com

BAG Annual Christmas Weave

December 5, 2026
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!

BAG Weave with Bonnie Rideout

December 6, 2026
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!



Visit our website!

For details and to register for any of our workshops visit our website at www.basketartguild.com. Information for any of our events will be posted as soon as it is available!

www.basketartguild.com



2027

BAG Workshop with Marjorie Kennedy

April 24, 2027
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!

BAG Weave with Bonnie Rideout

April 25, 2027
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!

BAG Workshop with Pat Moore

June 12 - 13, 2027
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!

BAG Workshop with Sandy Bulgrin

August 14 - 15, 2027
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!

BAG Workshop with Terri Feutz

October 16-17, 2027
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!

BAG Annual Christmas Weave

November 13, 2027
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!

BAG Weave with Bonnie Rideout

November 14, 2027
Long Creek Community Center
Stay tuned for more info soon!



President's Letter



This is my favorite time of year! I love watching the leaves change. October is going to be a lot of fun with the Extravaganza happening! Be sure to check out the details on our website, www.basketartguild.com. Learning a new skill is always exciting. Hope to see you there!

Warmly,
Becky King



Congratulations to Julie Cundiff on her 1st place ribbon in the Illinois State Fair and her Championship Ribbon in the Champaign County Fair.

Congratulations to Becky King for her 2nd place ribbon in the Logan County Fair!

Nominating Committee

A nominating committee has been formed for the upcoming elections. The committee is Christine Poland and Julie Cundiff. Many thanks for stepping up! The slate of officers and board members shall be presented to the board no later than **September 30th**. Voting will be by ballot. The ballots will be in the November/December newsletter.

The positions up for election are **President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer**. More information regarding the board positions can be found on page 11 in this newsletter.



Do you know what makes a great newsletter? **YOU!** Be sure to send in projects you are working on, upcoming events that may interest BAG members, tips and tricks you may have picked up at a retreat - you get the idea!

We want to hear from you!
Send to Bonnie at:
bonnierideout17@gmail.com



The Basket Art Guild would like to welcome the following New member to the guild. We hope to see you soon!

Bonnie Tippey



Send your BAG Board nominations to Christine or Julie by **September 30th!**

Contact Christine at (217) 521-2339 or christinepoland@hotmail.com.

Contact Julie at (217) 213-8018 or jhankinsbsn@yahoo.com.



"Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall." — F. Scott Fitzgerald



News From our Workshop Chair, Bev Dondeville

Open Weave at Mi Casa

Come weave, visit, and enjoy a meal together!

November 1 • 1:00 p.m.

Mi Casa Mexican Cuisine

1045 N. State Highway 121, Mt. Zion, Illinois

We are excited to gather in the smaller dining area at Mi Casa Mexican Cuisine for an open weave! The room features individual tables that we may arrange to meet our needs, making it a comfortable space to work on projects, share ideas, and spend time together.

The owner has graciously offered the room at no charge. In appreciation, everyone is asked to purchase food or a beverage while attending. You may dine-in during the event or order carry out to enjoy later - an easy way to skip cooking when you get home!

Ideally, we will reserve this welcoming space for months when no regular weave is scheduled. These casual gatherings are a wonderful opportunity to encourage new weavers, work alongside friends, exchange tips, and simply enjoy good food and conversation.

Bring your weaving project and join us for an afternoon of creativity, community, and fun.

We hope to see you there!

A Gentle Reminder - Basket Weaving Class Registration Deadlines

Registration deadlines for basket weaving classes are essential to the workshop planning process. Thirty days before each class or the set upon deadline, the workshop chair provides the instructor with the final number of participants registered for each project. This advance notice gives the instructor adequate time to order supplies and prepare weaving kits.

After the registration deadline has passed, registration and kit fees are nonrefundable.

We understand that unexpected circumstances may prevent you from attending. If you are unable to participate, please notify the workshop chair so arrangements can be made for you to receive your kit.

Iowa Basket Weavers Guild



The Fall Meeting will be held **October 23 - 24, 2026** at Grace Lutheran Bible Camp in DeWitt, Iowa. Mark your calendars and commit to being there! The host teacher will be *Sandy Bulgrin* from Wisconsin.

Sandy will be offering (8) different baskets using flat and round reed. She also hosts the [Basket Weavers Cruise](#) happening in February of 2027.

The registration deadline is **October 1, 2026**.

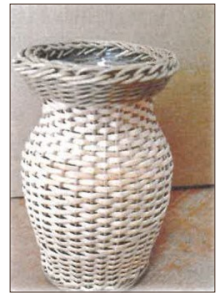
For more information contact Pamela Brown at prb9460@gmail.com or 309/236-4713.



Pumpkin Basket



Josey



Woven Vase

Land of Lincoln Basketweavers Association



Camp Tuck A Basket will be held in Normal, IL **September 11 - 13**.

A brochure for Camp Tuck can be found on their website, www.llbwa.com.

The 2026 teachers are *Terri Feutz*, *Debbie Hurd* and *Sheree Bingheim*.

Domas Studios, Assumption, IL



Domas Studios is located in Assumption, IL and is owned by artist Grace Snively. Domas is creating a place where artists, writers, makers and dreamers across Central Illinois can gather, learn and grow.

To check out the details for classes visit domasstudio.com.

Be sure to follow them on Facebook!



"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers." — L.M. Montgomery



The National Basketry Organization is a non-profit organization that unites people interested in basketry to provide education and to promote basket making. Founded in the late 1990's, the organization now has approximately 600 members, most of whom live in the United States and Canada. Although most of NBO's members are basket makers, membership includes collectors, gallery owners, scholars, craft and art schools and museums.

Visit www.nationalbasketry.org for more information.



MISSOURI BASKETWEAVERS GUILD

Visit www.basketweavers.org for more information

Find them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MissouriBasketweaversGuild/>.



QUAD CITIES BASKETWEAVERS GUILD

For more information about the Quad Cities Basket Guild contact

Susan Walters, President at qcbasketryguild@gmail.com.

Phone: 309/781-7228.

IOWA BASKETWEAVERS

For more information about the Iowa Basket Weavers contact Pamela Brown at pamela.brown@countryfinancial.com or Maribeth Woolsey at

mwoolsey117@hotmail.com.



BLOOMINGTON BASKETWEAVERS (BLOOMINGTON, IL)

The Bloomington Basketweavers meets once a month on the 4th Monday night from 6 - 9 pm at the Bloomington Public Library, Bloomington, Illinois. Weavers alternate "teaching" duties. Contact Jennifer Schrof at 309-862-1663 or jenpurdue@comcast.net or Mary Ann Ford at 309-663-4926 or maf82350@gmail.com.



SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS BASKET BUDDIES (O'FALLON, IL)

This new guild will meet at 1 pm on a Saturday, once a month, in the basement at Blessed Savior Lutheran Church, 1205 N Lincoln Ave, O'Fallon, IL 62269. Contact us for specific meeting dates. We currently have 8 members and are growing! Meetings are open to all basket weavers. Dues are \$15 per year.

Facebook page is: [Southwestern Illinois Basket Buddies](https://www.facebook.com/SouthwesternIllinoisBasketBuddies).

For more information, contact Charla Morton on 618/604-3292, or by email: sw-ilbasketbuddies@basketweavers.org.



Don't see your local guild listed?

Drop us a line and we will add it!

Email, Bonnie at bonnierideout17@gmail.com

Woven Spokes

If you would like to contribute to our newsletter please send information and or pictures to Bonnie Rideout at bonnierideout17@gmail.com. The more you send in the more interesting the newsletter is!



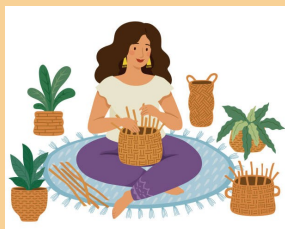
BAG is on Facebook!
Be sure to check our Facebook page.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Basketartguild>

Membership

Not a member? Dues are \$25/year. The membership form is in this newsletter and on our website.

Website

Visit our website at any time for up to date information on meetings and events.
www.basketartguild.com



www.basketartguild.com

From our Webmaster—

All of our registration forms, membership form & newsletters can be found on our website.

Any questions about our website, please contact Christine at 217/521-2339.



Bag Gear

Bag Gear is available through Wallstreet Embroidery & Silk Screening at 109 N. Front Street, Macon, IL 62544.

If interested, contact them directly at 217/764-3501.



Treasurer's Report as of August 30, 2026

Beginning Balance = \$3,822.52

\$450.00 (18 Registrations-Dudley Weave)
\$50.00 (2 Memberships)
\$65.00 (50/50 Drawing)
\$84.00 (14 Lunches)
\$27.00 (Supplies Donation)
\$69.00 (1 kit)

Income Total = \$745.00

\$350.00 (Travel Expenses-Dudley)
\$225.00 (Long Creek Community Center - Dudley Weave)
\$162.94 (Food, Teacher Gift, Supplies)
\$148.00 (Jeanne Dudley for 2 kits)

Expenses Total = \$885.94

Ending Balance = \$3,681.58

Current Membership is 40. Time to renew your dues for 2027!





Highlights from the August Jeanne Dudley Workshop

Many thanks to Jeanne Dudley for joining us in another fabulous workshop! We always appreciate you coming and sharing your many talents with our guild.



CONGRATULATIONS!

The winners of the 50/50 drawing were:
Saturday - Peggy McLean, \$45
Sunday - Pet Webb, \$20



2026

Basket Happenings

September 11 - 13	LLBWA's Camp Tuck a Basket, Normal, IL For more information visit www.llbwa.com
September 10 - 12	Heritage Basketry Fall Weave, Xenia, OH For more information visit www.heritagebasketryguild.com
September 17 - 21	Arkansas Basket Weavers Club, "Celebration of Weaving", Greenland, AR Visit their Facebook page for info! Arkansas Basket Weavers Club
September 17 - 20	2026 Weaving Odyssey, Gettysburg, PA For more information visit https://www.centralpabasketguild.com
October 1 - 3	Kentucky Basketry Association, Somerset, KY For more information visit https://www.kentuckybaskets.org/
October 1 - 4	Wisconsin Weave Away, Chetek, WI For more information visit https://wovenblessingsbasketry.com/
October 9 - 10	BAG - Workshop Extravaganza! Long Creek, IL Visit our website for details. www.basketartguild.com
October 9 - 11	Winson-Salem Basketmakers 40th year retreat, Winston-Salem, NC For more information visit https://www.winstonsalembasketmakers.com/
October 21 - 25	AMB Convention, Port Huron, MI For more information visit https://www.michiganbasketmakers.com
October 23 - 25	Oklahoma Weavers Weekend, Shawnee, OK For more information visit www.okbasketweaversguild.com/Index.html
October 23 - 25	WVBA Convention, Phillippi, WV For more information visit https://wvbasketmakersassociation.com/
November 4 - 7	East Tennessee Basket Retreat, Greeneville, TN For more information visit https://www.facebook.com/groups/717742459537663/
December 5	BAG - Annual Christmas Weave, Long Creek, IL Details soon!
December 6	BAG - Basket Weave with Bonnie Rideout Details soon!
2027	
January 9 - 10	Cabin Fever, Owatonna, MN For more information visit https://www.weavinwinona.com/
January 21 - 24	Texas Basketweaver's Association, Houston, TX For more information visit texasbasketweavers.com
February 25 - 27	Winter Weave, Willoughby Hills, OH For more information visit winterweave.com

Know of a basket happening?

Send information to Bonnie at bonnierideout17@gmail.com!

ARKANSAS BASKET WEAVERS CLUB
Weaving Celebration

September 17–19, 2026
Greenland, Arkansas

CLASSES OFFERED
Basket Weaving · Seat Weaving
Pine Trees from Wool Strips · Painted Barn Quilts

TEACHERS
Steve & Sandy Atkinson · Freda Miller · Billy Owens
Bonnie Rideout · Sue Stark · Cathy Waggoner

Registration Deadline:
July 19th

For more information, visit the
Arkansas Basket Weavers Club Facebook Page

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HERITAGE BASKETRY GUILD
FALL WEAVE

We have beginner friendly baskets!

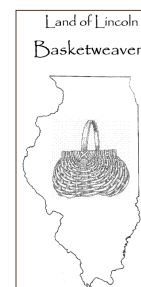
SEPT. 9-12, 2026

Dayton, Ohio

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/fall-weave-2026/items>



So many weaving opportunities!



September 11-13, 2026
Normal, Illinois
www.llbwa.com



October 23—25, 2026
Shawnee, OK
Okbasketweaversguild.com



2026 WVBA Convention
October 23-25, 2026
Battler's Knob, Philippi, WV
wvbasketmakersassociation.com



October 1—3, 2026
Somerset, KY
Kentuckybaskets.org



November 4 - 7, 2026
Greeneville, TN
Find them on Facebook under
"The East Tennessee Basket Weavers' Association"



Association of Michigan Basketweavers
October 21—25, 2026
Port Huron, MI
www.michiganbasketmakers.com



"There are three things that I've learned never to discuss with people: religion, politics, and the Great Pumpkin." — Linus, *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown*



Board Election Time

Have you thought about serving on the board? We need YOU! Positions open are President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. These are elected positions. Please nominate someone or yourself! Help is desperately needed to keep the Basket Art Guild going. We don't want to see the guild fold after so many wonderful years but as they say, it takes a village. Below are the duties of each position. Any questions, please contact any current board member.

President

1. Shall preside at all meetings of the Guild.
2. Shall direct and coordinate the program and activities of the guild according to the bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order.
3. Shall, with the treasurer, be responsible for the Guild account.
4. Shall appoint any committees deemed necessary by the Board (i.e. Nominating Committee).

Vice President

1. Shall assume the duties of the President in the event of his/her absence, incapacity or resignation.
2. Shall be coordinator for outreach programs.
3. Shall perform such other Guild duties as may be assigned by the President.
4. Shall act as liaison between committees and Board by attending committee meeting.

Secretary

1. Shall record and maintain the minutes of regular Guild meetings.
2. Shall submit copy of the minutes for distribution for Board meetings and regular Guild meetings. The latter shall be by request of individual members.
3. Be responsible for the guild correspondence (i.e., thank you notes for presenters, sympathy cards).
4. Pass all records and papers in good order to the incoming secretary no later than ten days after the end of term

Treasurer

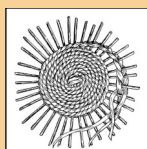
1. Shall receive all revenues of the guild and pay all authorized bills, keeping an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements and submit budget for Board.
2. Will order and pay for all supplies needed for a workshop being taught by a Guild member with approval from the Board and Workshop Chair.
3. Arrange for lodging, for professional workshop instructors or speakers.
4. Guild members will pay BAG through the treasurer for workshops and annual dues.
5. Obtain the required cards and forms from the designated financial institution for the officers qualified to sign, as determined by the Board
6. Shall present a written financial report to be published in each newsletter.
7. Participate in a yearly internal audit.
8. Submit the treasurer's books for audit at the end of term of office no later than 10 days after end of term.
9. Shall maintain the membership list.
10. Shall receive and record membership dues.



Thank you to our advertisers who help support The Basket Art Guild!

Fellowship

Our guild consists of weavers of all different skill levels and experience. Our meetings allow all of us to learn new techniques, hone our skills and discuss basketry. Much can be learned by an exchange of ideas by others who share a love of basketry.





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Marilyn can be reached at marilynsarbeary@gmail.com or 815/673-3165.

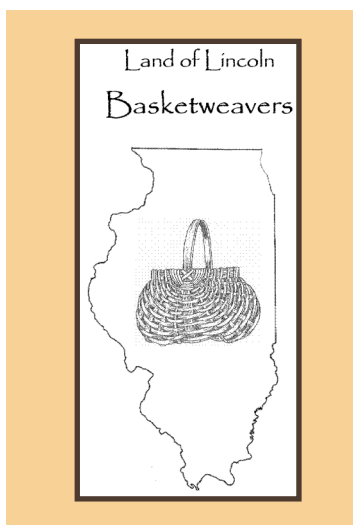
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Bonnie's Baskets Central Illinois Classes

BAG member and advertiser, Bonnie Rideout with **Bonnie's Baskets** will be offering many classes local in Central Illinois in 2026. Listed below are September and October classes. Visit her website at www.bonniesbasketsil.com and follow her on Facebook under **Bonnie's Baskets** for details and more class listings! You can also sign up for her monthly newsletter at <https://www.bonniesbasketsil.com/newsletter/>

Tuesday, September 1 st	Delight Flower Farm, Champaign, IL	Time for Tea
Monday, September 14 th	Royer House, Champaign, IL	Plum Crazy for Autumn
Friday, September 25 th	The Farms Folk School, Monticello, IL	The Organizer
Saturday, September 26 th	Lincoln Land College, Springfield, IL	Long Way Home
Sunday, September 27 th	Herscher Historical Museum	Plum Crazy for Autumn
Saturday, October 10 th	Basket Art Guild, Long Creek, IL	Fall Frolic or Cozy Season
Monday, October 12 th	Royer House, Champaign, IL	TBD
Friday, October 16 th	The Farms Folk School, Monticello, IL	Little Boo!
Saturday, October 17 th	Parkland College, Champaign, IL	Warm & Cozy
Sunday, October 18 th	Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna, IL	Patriotic Catch All





Land of Lincoln Basketweavers Guild

LLBWA is our state guild. They hold three events a year plus weaving opportunities for brand new weavers.

Be sure to visit their website for detailed information on all upcoming events. Visit www.llbwa.com for detailed information.

Spring Fling
Spring 2027

Starved Rock Event
June 2027
Starved Rock Lodge
Utica, IL

Camp Tuck-A-Basket
September 11 - 13, 2026
Community Center
Normal, IL



Not sure if you are a current member of BAG?
Check with Marilyn Scarbeary. She will let you know! marilynsarbeary@gmail.com

Basket Art Guild Membership

The Basket Art Guild membership runs from *January 1st to December 31st*.

Membership Dues for 2026 are \$25.

You will receive your newsletter via email.
Newsletters are also available on our website www.basketartguild.com.

Have you renewed your membership yet? Not sure? Contact Marilyn and she will let you know. If you need to make any changes on contact info, please fill this out and send to Marilyn.

Name _____

Business name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Make checks payable to The Basket Art Guild

Send to: Marilyn Scarbeary
42 Rosemont Lane
Streator, IL 61364-1069





Basket Art Guild

Officer Nomination Ballot

Nominations are due by September 30, 2026.

Please print the name of one nominee for each office. You may leave any position blank.
Confirm that each nominee is willing to serve before submitting this ballot.

Office	Nominee's Name
President	
Vice President	
Secretary	
Treasurer	

Submitted by: _____ Date: _____

Please return the completed ballot by September 30, 2026.
You can email your nominations to Christine Poland or Julie Cundiff.

Contact Christine at (217) 521-2339 or christinepoland@hotmail.com.
Contact Julie at (217) 213-8018 or jhankinsbsn@yahoo.com.



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Visit www.basketartguild.com
to read our newsletters,
register and learn more about
our workshops.

2027 Workshops

APRIL 24, MARJORIE KENNEDY
APRIL 25, BONNIE RIDEOUT
JUNE 12 – 13, PAT MOORE
AUGUST 14 – 15, SANDY BULGRIN
OCTOBER 16 – 17, TERRI FEUTZ
NOVEMBER 13, CHRISTMAS WEAVE
NOVEMBER 14, BONNIE RIDEOUT