



wool & honey
yarn, fiber and other sweet delights

New Year: New Classes *(and The 12 Knits Gift Certificate Winners!)*

Happy New Year, friends!



A new year, a fresh start--can you believe it's 2012 already? This time of year is always inspiring for me. I have big plans, both personally (*a garden! from seed!*) and professionally (well, that's a bit of a secret!)--and am looking forward to learning, growing and trying out some new changes. With classes, more trunk shows (read more below!), new yarn vendors and an ever-growing list of exciting new designers at Wool & Honey, it looks like 2012 will be the year to beat.

And how about you? What are your goals for the New Year? Interested in learning how to steek a sweater? Want to keep your toes toasty with your first pair of socks? Maybe you're picking up knitting needles for the very first time--and your coworkers are, too. We hope you'll find something here you like. We'll be ramping up our class schedule this winter much more than in years past--look for emails from us every two weeks for a revised schedule.

Grab a cup of tea and settle in--winter's the perfect time to cozy up with a lap full of yarn!

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The Twelve Knits of Christmas Gift Certificate Winners

Thank you so much to all of you who participated in this year's Twelve Knits of Christmas. You kept us on our toes--there were hundreds of kits and patterns that made their way all across the US. The most popular? The Fireside Slipper Socks and the Aran Ornaments.

It'll be hard to top next year, but I've already got a few ideas percolating.

....and without further ado, the winners are:

\$25

Mary Ann Gibson, Susan Tribbey and Gail Mancinelli

\$50

Kay Englehart and Nan Strickler

\$100

Connie Castle

I'll be emailing each of you individually and sending your gift certificates in the mail in the next few days.

Congratulations!

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Winter Hours:

Monday-Friday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturdays: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday Stitch

(Open Knitting & Spinning)

every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

{read more below!}

....and of course our online shop is open for business 24 hours a day!

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Mark your calendars for a very sweet treat, knitters--
it's a Valentine's trunk show!
Yarn and chocolate....a match made in heaven.

February 10th & 11th, 2012



Briar Rose Fibers



Grocer's Daughter Chocolates

Friday, February 10th: 6-9 pm
Saturday, February 11th: 10 am to 3 pm

Yarn and chocolate....what could be better? Join us for a weekend of fun with some exquisite treats from two of our

favorite Michigan artisans. On Friday evening, we'll be open until 9 pm with both **Briar Rose Fibers** and **Grocer's Daughter Chocolate**. At 7 pm, Mimi will be giving an informal talk on artisan chocolates, complete with a few samples! Both Briar Rose and Grocer's Daughter wares will be available for sale all weekend--don't miss out on this perfect pairing of Michigan sweet delights!

*Chris Roosien of **Briar Rose Fibers** has been hand painting yarns and fibers since 2004. Merino wool, silk, Tencel and several wool blends are just a few of Briar Rose's signature fibers dyed in a breathtaking, saturated hues. She travels the country attending fiber festivals, trade shows and open houses year-round--we're so lucky to be welcoming her here!*

***Grocer's Daughter Chocolate** was also started in 2004 and is owned and operated by Mimi Wheeler. She uses fruits, edible flowers and herbs from her summer garden and from the soils and the natural beauty of northern Michigan--just a few miles away, perched atop a dune in the quaint village of Empire.*

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Open Knitting: Saturday Stitch

Every Saturday morning from 9 to 11 a.m.

We know for most people, leaving the house in the dark and cold on a weeknight for open knitting doesn't sound like much fun. The roads can be iffy, too--all the way through April. So join us as we begin our second year (!) of Saturday Stitch. **Saturday mornings from 9-11 a.m.** We'll have coffee and tea on to coax you out of bed and we might just have sweet treats, too. (Okay, we're sure of it--there *will* be treats!)

Open Knitting, or as we call it "**Saturday Stitch**", might just be the thing to jump start your knitting this winter. There's no agenda here, other than for a group of knitters, crocheters and spinners to get to know each other while enjoying their favorite type of craft.

There are a few ground rules, though, that we'd like to make sure you're abreast of as we start a new year.

-Open Knitting is *not* a club. This isn't a members-only kind of gathering: **ANYONE and EVERYONE is welcome.** (And yes, that includes kids!) We do our best to make everyone feel welcome, whether you're a

beginning knitter or you've got 48 years of stitching under your belt.

-Open Knitting is not a class. Sure, there are lots of people here to share advice and offer help when you're in a bind, but please be mindful of those who come to enjoy themselves. If you need help with an extra sticky project, we'll be happy to schedule a private lesson for one-on-one intensive instruction.

-Open Knitting--whether it's a late night mid-week or an early Saturday morning--is made possible by customers like you. While there is no charge for Saturday Stitch (yup, it's FREE!), please keep in mind that a yarn shop is a business--thank you for supporting your Local Yarn Shop.

January 2012 Classes

Learn to Knit



If you've never picked up needles before, this is the class for you. In this class, we'll learn to cast on, knit and bind off--the basic foundation for starting your first project. When you're ready for the next level, be sure to sign up for **Learn to Knit: Level 2**, which we'll be holding in two weeks.

You'll need to arrive a few minutes before class to pick out and purchase your materials.

Saturday, January 14th, 2012.

1:00-2:30 p.m.

(One 1 1/2-hour session.)

\$15

To sign up, click [here](#) or call **(231) 228-2800.**

Fingerless Mitts

Learn to Spin



Have you always wanted to knit with handspun yarn but don't know where to start? Have you always dreamed of creating a sweater from scratch? Learn the very satisfying art of making your own yarn with local fiber artist **Tracie Herkner**. Don't have a wheel? Please contact us--we have a few wheels here that you may be able to take for a "spin".

Materials included.

Saturday, January 21st, 2012.

1:00-3:00 p.m.

(One 2-hour session.)

\$20

To sign up, click [here](#) or call **(231) 228-2800.**

Finishing Techniques



Find out what makes these small accessories so popular. We tend to think it's because they're fast, cheap and super easy, but we'll let you draw your own conclusions! Choose from three different patterns to suit your mood (and your level of commitment).

Saturday, January 28th
2-5 p.m.
(One 3-hour session.)
\$25

**To sign up, click [here](#) or call
(231) 228-2800.**



One of the most important aspects of knitting isn't the actual knitting--it's the sewing, seaming & wrestling that some cleverly call "finishing". Knowing how to match up the proper techniques insures overall knitting success. This session will put you at ease, leaving you to create pieces you're proud to call hand-knit. We hold this class at least once a month, year-round; **these techniques are essential for knitting success!**
Materials included.

Saturday, January 14th, 2012.
3:00-5:00 p.m.
(One 2-hour session.)
\$20

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**10%
OFF**

Happy New Year! Take 10% OFF your next order of \$25 or more. Coupon must be present. Offer may not be used toward sale items or class fees. Punch cards may not be used in conjunction with this offer.

Offer Expires: January 31st, 2012

