FALL TSDG CALENDAR

Please register for upcoming programs by emailing: surfacedesignlethbridge@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

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Tall Tales Exhibit
Pieces are due
Please drop them off at
Casa as per the email

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Wednesday
Business Meeting
Mingling with Makers
7 - 9 pm
Casa

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Needle Cases and preparing for Christmas at Casa Sale 7 - 9 pm Textile Studio, Casa

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Wednesday
Emily Metheral introducing
printmaking types
Linda Bull eco-printing tools and
materials
7 - 9 pm
Casa

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Saturday Gyotaku (fish printing) 1 - 4 pm Textile Studio, Casa Pre- Registration Required 17-18

Friday
5 - 9 pm
Saturday
9 - 5pm
Christmas at Casa Sale

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Saturday
Eco-printing on paper Linda
1 - 4 pm
Linda Bull's Garden
Pre - Registration
Required

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Saturday
Mingling with Makers Books for using
eco-printed paper
1 - 4 pm
Textile Studio, Casa

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A field trip to Esther's farm and studio

On Saturday, July 8 we had a social, business meeting, and a class at Esther's farm. The morning began with a tour of the farm - the gardens and the animals. We thought she was very lucky to have so many bees in her flowers and then learned they also have beehive. Indoors we were treated a visual treat viewing many, many felted wall hangings and 3-D objects. Then we headed downstairs to the studio to begin getting pieces ready for Shibusa felting and saw a felting roller in action. We took a break for a great potluck lunch, held a brief business meeting, and back to work. Everyone left with a wet piece wrapped in a towel.

Our thanks to Esther and Phil for a very enjoyable day!





Shibori at the Library

In May, guild members spent one evening learning shibori - a manual resist dye technique used to create patterns on fabric. Two weeks later, everyone was busy experimenting with a cold water indigo bath and a heated natural indigo bath. So many wonderful pieces. Currently some of the pieces are hanging in the main branch of the Lethbridge Public Library and will be there through December.

Tall Tales Exhibit - Casa

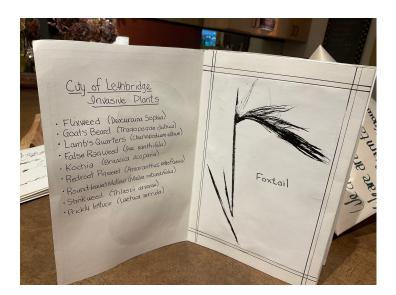
Mixed media hangings documenting personal narratives. This will be our newest exhibition which will hang upstairs at Casa from the beginning of September through December.

Christmas at Casa Sale - Needle Cases

A reminder to keep work on your needle cases for the Christmas at Casa Sale. Here are a few beautiful ones complete and ready to be purchased in November.

Use your creativity to work on these small projects and use them to try new techniques or design processes.







Teaching Opportunities at Helen Schuler

On Sunday, July 30, four guild members worked with a group of 12 enthusiastic people at Helen Schuler Nature Centre. The class had a two-fold purpose:

- learn to identify invasive plants in the river bottom and perhaps in one's own garden.
- learn techniques to make an identification book of these plants. The techniques included mono printing, frontage [rubbings], drawing, and watercolours.

The class began with a short talk from a Centre volunteer about the plants - how they got on the invasive list and how to properly remove and dispose of them. Then everyone eagerly got to work.

As guild members we also learned that a number of people follow our guild on the website or Instagram and were eager for more information. Our connection with the Nature Centre has proved positive for both sides. Our classes and shows bring in a number of people to the Centre. The guild in returns gathers a larger following, new members, and a reimbursement for teaching. Hopefully we will have an exhibition there next year and they welcome any classes we would offer. If you have an idea for a class - children, teens, or adults - and are willing to share your knowledge please let the program committee know.