

Knits-n-Knacks Knews

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*Happy
New
Year!*

Design Your Own Class

We try to offer a variety of fun and interesting classes on different days and at different times, but we know that sometimes it just doesn't work out for you. Maybe you have your heart set on a certain class but schedules conflict. Maybe you want to learn a special technique that isn't being offered at this time. We have the perfect solution to the problem: design your own class!

You can use this as a one-on-one private lesson or get together a group of your friends or co-workers to knit with you too! We can even arrange evening classes for groups of five or more if that fits your schedule better.

Just come in or give us a call and we'll set up a time that will work for both of us. Learn to knit what you want to learn!

Winter Knitting Fun

Whew! The holidays and all of their hub-bub are over. The Christmas gifts have all been knitted and given away (unless you're one of those people who is knitting 97 pairs of socks for everyone in your family and everyone else you know too).

Now it's time to take some time out for yourself and work off all of those holiday goodies. There's nothing better than some knitting or crocheting exercise! Knit one, purl two, knit one, purl two! Now breathe... and repeat. Feel the burn!

You've spent the last several months knitting for others. Now it's time to knit for yourself. What about that sweater you've always wanted to make, or that sock that you love but it needs a mate? Come on in and sign up for class, learn something new, or just try out some of those luscious yarns you've been drooling over (remember, if you drool ON them, you have to buy them!).

It's time for you!

Open Knitting (or crocheting, or...)

If you've happened to come into the store on a Wednesday afternoon, you probably heard a lot of chatter coming from the tables in the back. That would be our knitters having fun and making all that racket!

Anyone who would like to is welcome to come sit-n-knit with us. Don't be shy. It won't be long until you know everyone there. You'll fit right in! (Being a bit unraveled helps too!) Just bring whatever project you're working on and come join us for a cup of coffee and some good old-fashioned fun.

Wednesdays from 2:00-6:00 is when most people show up, but if that doesn't work for you, get together a group of friends and come in whenever you would like. You're always welcome here at Knits-n-Knacks.

We'll look forward to seeing you. It's fun to make new friends or get to know some old ones better!

UFO DAY

Upon exploring deep in the recesses of my closet, I have come upon an alarming number of **UnFinished Objects!** While I'm sure that none of you have a similar problem (oh come on, I know you do), I would like to invite you to finish up some of these items at our next UFO Day.

Come on in and join us for some fun and conversation as we finish up those projects together. Bring a finger food to share and we'll have a potluck too! Drinks will be provided.

We will be meeting here at Knits-n-Knacks on Saturday, February 20, from 10:00-4:00. Come on in for fun and frolic, (or at least some good old-fashioned friendly knitting and encouragement) and finish up those UFO's with us.

Class Schedule (continued)

- Entrelac Shawl or Scarf** **Thursday, Jan. 28, Feb. 4** **1:00-3:00**
In this class you will learn to do entrelac, knitting in tiers of diamonds that end up looking like basket-weave. It is a beautiful yet easy technique. You choose to make a scarf or a shawl. This is a 2 session class at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.
- Cropped Lace Cardigan** **Monday, Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8** **10:00-12:00**
This is a beautiful cardigan with a lacey bottom and sleeves trimmed with lace. Not for the faint of heart! Three sessions at a cost of \$30.00 + materials.
- Fair isle Hat** **Friday, Feb. 5, 12** **1:00-3:00**
Knit a pretty 2-color hat with a beautiful design. Learn to read a chart. Try some super-soft yarn to give your ears a treat! 2 sessions at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.
- Fair isle Snowflake Scarf** **Wednesday, March 3, 10** **10:00-12:00**
This is a super warm scarf, knit in the round with a snowflake pattern knitted in. A bit more of a challenge! This is a two session class at a cost of \$20.00 + materials. If a third session is required, there will be an additional \$10.00 fee.
- Fair isle Bag** **Saturday, Feb. 6, 13** **10:00-12:00**
Make a beautiful little multi-color bag while weaving in the floats on the back as you go. This is a 2 session class at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.
-OK, so I'm going on a bit of a Fair isle binge....
- Aran Cabled Tote** **Thursday, March 4, 11** **10:00-12:00**
This bag is done with cables and baubles and lots of fun stuff! This one is definitely not for sissies! Two classes at a cost of \$20.00 + materials. If a third class is required, there will be an additional \$10.00 fee.
- Intarsia** **Saturday, March 6** **1:00-3:00**
Learn to knit pictures or designs into your project. Easy! One session at a cost of \$15.00 + materials.
- Shoalwater Shawl** **Thursday, Feb. 11, 25** **10:00-12:00**
This is a gorgeous triangular shaped shawl knit in a beautiful traditional ripple lace design. 2 sessions \$20.00 + materials.
- Alterations** **Monday, March 8, 15** **1:00-3:00**
Learn to alter patterns so they will fit you and also how to alter sweaters you've already made for a better fit. Within reason! We're not miracle workers, but there are some good tricks to know! 2 sessions at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.
- Swatch Class** **Tuesday, Mar. 9, 16, 23** **10:00-12:00**
In each class, time allowing, we will make at least 2 swatches to learn new stitches and patterns from baubles to cables and lots more! This class will be 3 sessions at a cost of \$30.00 + materials.
- 2-Color Cables** **Friday, March 12** **10:00-12:00**
This is a way to make your cabling even more interesting by knitting your cables with two colors at the same time. This creates a beautiful shaded effect or a dramatic contrast. Previous cable experience is required. 1 session at \$15.00.
- Toe-Up Socks** **Saturday, Feb. 13, 27** **1:00-3:00**
Learn to knit socks from the toe up instead of from the top down. 2 sessions at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.
- UFO DAY** **Saturday, Feb. 20** **10:00-4:00**

Sign up now!

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
9:30-5:00
Wednesday
9:30-6:00
Saturday
10:00-4:00
Closed Sunday

Come sit-n-knit with us!

We're on the web!
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knacks.com

Store Policies

- Space for classes is limited. Please register as soon as possible. Out of consideration for our teachers, your non-refundable payment is due when you register. You can register at the store or by phone.
- Class fees do not include supplies. Supplies are available through Knits-n-Knacks. While you are welcome to bring your own tools (needles, hooks, etc.) we do ask that you purchase the yarn required for your class at Knits-n-Knacks. Please arrive before the scheduled class time if planning to purchase materials at that time.
- If there are not enough students registered prior to the first day of class, the class will be cancelled and a full refund will be given.
- Homework is required for all classes. If you do not do your homework or miss a scheduled class, it will be up to the teacher as to whether or not a make-up class will be scheduled.
- If additional class sessions are required to complete the project, an additional \$10.00 per session will be charged.
- A 50% nonrefundable deposit will be required for special orders.
- Needles may be exchanged for needles only, if in the original package, with receipt, and within one week of purchase
- All yarn returns must be accompanied by a receipt and returned within 3 months of purchase. As you know, dye lots change and as a result, we've been ending up with a lot of odd balls (yarn, I mean). No cat hair or cigarette smoke, please! Allergies, you know.
- Due to the rising costs of yarns, needles, shipping, etc. we have discontinued our punch cards in order to keep our prices as low as possible. We will still honor any **FULL** punch cards that you may have or that we are keeping on file for you here at the store.
- We regret that such a long list of policies has become necessary, but we hope you will bear with us and come knit up some fun!
- Private lesson fee is \$15.00/hr.
- If you need help with a project I will be happy to help. If it takes more than 15 minutes, however, you will be charged for a private lesson.