

September 21, 2022 Annual General Meeting

Chair: Margo Murley, President Recorder: Elfi Berndl, Secretary
In Person Meeting @ Elfi's Home, 41 Denham Dr, Richmond Hill



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| <p>In Attendance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Allison Durno 2. Amanda Ring 3. Amber Bole 4. Elfi Berndl 5. Gail Gibson 6. Kara Kivioja 7. Liz Kennedy 8. Margo Murley 9. Mary Davie 10. Michelle Zikovitz 11. Olga Draznin 12. Peggy Spurgeon 13. Saima Malik 14. Sheila Hamilton 15. Shiva Moghaddasi 16. Sophie Tepperman 17. Susan Schilemore <p>Via Zoom: Athena Antiochos</p> | <p>Not in Attendance</p> <p>Adriana Pisano Beaumont ** Andre Beaumont ** Anthony Savonarota ** Barbara Anderson ** Christina Henninger ** Deborah O'Sullivan ** Eleanor Mayne ** Janet Porter ** Julie Liut ** Kathy Lakatos ** Leah Stone ** Linda Caron ** Linda Ewen ** Mary Dunn ** Nancy Martin ** Teresa Clarke ** Val Firmin</p> <p>Regretfully No longer a Member as of 2022-2023</p> <p>Andrea Dallyn-Milne ** Helen O'Sullivan ** Homeira Nikjoo ** Kathleen Rodgers ** Megan McWhinnie-Crouse</p> | <p>Notification only</p> <p>Joan Colnett Jo-Ann Rootham Kate Dueitch Nancy Price</p> |
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Mix & Mingle 4:30 – 7 pm

AGM - Annual General Meeting 7:00 pm

"There shall be, in every calendar year, an annual meeting for the election of an executive, the approval of financial statements and such other matters as properly pertain to an annual meeting." Constitution 1995

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| | Welcome to 2023 AGM | Welcome to members Format of this AGM trying to align with ONCA requirements and our current Constitution. Vote on first 3 items by show of hands. |
| 1 | Approval of Minutes from previous AGM - August 18, 2021 | |
| | o Minutes approved by 1) Liz Seconded by) Gail | |
| | Minutes of 2021/2022 AGM accepted by majority of present Members | |
| 2 | Election / Confirmation of Executive Council (simple majority of all those present - Constitution 1995) | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. President Margo Murley b. Secretary Elfi Berndl (till Sept 2023) c. Treasurer Amber Bole d. Membership Peggy Spurgeon e. Past President Michelle Zikovitz <p>Presented 2022/2023 Executive Council accepted by majority of present Members</p> <p>A request: When sending an email to the Executive, feel free to address it to the person you wish to have the conversation with but please try to also include the other Executive members on the email chain by adding us as a cc. There are 5 guild members on the Executive. Even though we have different tasks among us, knowing what is going on helps us to make group decisions based on current information.</p> | |
| 3 | Presentation of Financial Position Summary Aug 19, 2021 to Aug 31, 2022 by Amber Bole, Treasurer | |
| | Providing annual financial statements to members | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Financial Statement (simple majority of all those present - Constitution 1995) <p>Burr House Financial Statement September 2022 accepted by majority of present Members</p> |
| AGM Discussion Items | |
| 4 | Budget Planning for 2022 - 2023 |
| | <p>List of proposed expenditures beyond necessities as suggested by members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> will be worked on in coming year Guild Sales Committee – will need continued financial support for advertising and supplies - \$250 approved Fall 2021, \$500 approved before Spring 2022 sale Monthly Meeting Programming - \$750 max/year (Feb 8, 2022 Exec Mtg.) Repair & Replacement of Equipment - \$500 was agreed to in 2021 though not spent suggestion: Upkeep of facilities – refinish floor in Guild Hall If there is a shortfall after taking income from membership dues, Guild sales and classes, we will use our banked surplus to balance books a shortfall of less than \$5,000 is not unduly worrisome |
| 5 | Membership |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> our focus for the next year should be to provide fun activities, opportunities for members to get together to create and be social, more in person activities if our membership numbers drop significantly, we can revisit spending energy on this concern in the Spring |
| 6 | Call for Volunteers |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We still have a need for volunteers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monthly Meeting Programming Studio Head / Looms / Equipment / Inventory Joint Burr House Use Committee -Interested members should send an email to Margo |
| 7 | Monthly Programming |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> without a member taking up the planning for monthly meetings, the onus is on us the members to volunteer to do presentations let the Executive know if you are interested in doing a presentation or know of any Zoom presentations that our Guild members would enjoy |
| 8 | Classes / Workshops / Study Groups / Guild Sales |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> there will be Beginner Weaving classes offered by Kathy & Sheila Wednesday Night Drop Ins continue to be active and a good way to meet up in person with members. They are usually held on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Wednesdays of the month at the Guild Hall from 7 to 9 pm. The Tuesday Weavers is an ongoing weekly informal meet up for people who are able to come out to the Guild during the day to meet others to plan weaving projects, discuss current projects and generally connect with other members. The timing is a bit fluid but generally is from 10:30 to 12:30. The Saturday Spinners usually meet on the first Saturday of the month at 9 am on Zoom. at other times, those who are interested in spinning can make arrangements to meet up in person. If you are interested in learning how to spin, contact Margo to put your name on the list. Silk Painting & Batik classes may be offered by Shiva this coming year. Rigid Heddle learning get togethers may be offered by Sheila & Alison. Group Tea Towel Projects will continue to be offered on Loom# 9 which is a 27” Leclerc 4 Shaft Counterbalance Loom coordinated by Elfi. Anyone who has taken 1 basic intro course is welcome to sign up. Weaving study groups for Double Weave and Overshot may be offered in the winter. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weaving with Wire on a Loom Study Group will be led by Elfi in March & April • Floor Looms continue to be available for Individual, Partnered or Group Weaving Projects. To book a loom see: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BQQwOZrk5G5xG3CPUAYyrEwsQwaWZNYTTPnP BcgjvE/edit • Silk Snow Dyeing will take place again this winter in January or February possibly led by Elfi & Sheila • Any guild member who is interested in working on something with others in the Guild on something specific (like Felting a Flower for example), can send out a request for others to join up for a get together at the Guild Hall or the Burr House on a specific date. Wanting to learn how to do something and getting some people together to learn together is a way many of us have gotten our feet wet in different things. • The Burr House Spinners & Weavers Guild 2022 Holiday Sale will take place on November 5th & 6th. Please submit items for sale, volunteer at the sale if possible, come out to the sale yourself for your holiday shopping and let your friends and family know about it. A flyer will be sent out to all that you ca then easily forward by email or through your FB page. |
| 9 | BHS&WG Constitution needs revision |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aim for amendments to be drafted, presented and voted on in 2023 • members will have opportunity to give input in when amendments drafted in the spring • It is hoped that our ONCA Certification to be completed by September 2023 • “The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any general meeting of the Guild, provided that notice of the amendment shall have been circulated to all members at least ten days prior to such meeting” 1995 Constitution |
| 10 | 40th Anniversary Open House & Celebration – Sunday November 6th |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members of the Guild and Honorary Members who have been members for 10 plus years will receive a Certificate of Appreciation on Sunday November 6 @ 40th Anniversary Open House & Celebration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 20 Members, Honorary members and Former Members will be recognized for their significant contribution to the Guild ○ Current Members: Amanda Ring, Athena Antiochos, Gail Gibson, Kathy Lakatos, Linda Ewen, Mary Davie, Michelle Zikovitz, Olga Draznin, Shiva Moghaddasi, Sophie Tepperman, Susan Schillemore, Val Firmin ○ Honorary Members: Joan Colnett, Jo-Ann Rootham, Kate Dueitch, Nancy Price ○ Former Members: Alena Melas, Darlene Share, Karen Hill, Leni Schwartzel • The 40th Anniversary Celebration will be from 1:30 to 3 pm in the Guild Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Certificates of Appreciation will be given out at 2 pm ○ Cookies & Nibbles to be served to our guests • The Guild Hall will be open for an Open House from 12:30 to 4:30 at the same time as the Guild Sale continues in the Burr house <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ volunteers are asked to sign up to come into the Guild Hall to weave or do other fibre art activities to highlight what we do ○ anyone who wishes to help Elfi get the Guild Hall sparkling for the event, email Elfi |
| 11 | New Procedure for Going to the Guild Hall as of Sept 22, 2022 |
| | <p>After some discussion it was agreed that:</p> <p>1) The online Google Doc Guild Hall Booking Form no longer needs to be used by members before they go to the Guild Hall. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qveM-bv4NmKuuLLKb80o9T4eNBW4OCeLKw1haz2j3Qw/edit#heading=h.36r47c5dk0ty</p> <p>The following procedures are still in place:</p> <p>2) Members still need to Sign In & Sign Out in the Log Book. This includes when only being</p> |

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| | <p>in the Guild Hall for a short period of time like when dropping things off or picking things up.</p> <p>3) A mask MUST be worn when you are in a "common area space" that we share with the Potters. This includes the Front Hall and the Washroom. ie when entering the building and walking to our Guild hall, a mask must be worn.</p> <p>4) Wearing a mask is optional for members who are in the Guild Hall on their own.</p> <p>5) It is up to the "Comfort of the Group" that is in the Guild Hall whether all present need to wear a mask. If all Members are comfortable with some/all being maskless then wearing a mask becomes optional. If any Member is uncomfortable with anyone being maskless, then all Members present need to wear masks.</p> | | | | | | |
| 12 | <p>Annual Challenge – Show & Share</p> <p>2022 Challenge Reveal: <i>Reuse</i> items in a different way or add recycled items into your piece. A number of items and projects were shared including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a pair of denim pants made into a skirt • a much loved silk scarf cut into strips and incorporated into a new scarf • leftover wool dye examples felted onto spent dryer balls turned into juggling balls • old linen woven into rag rugs • surplus hockey socks woven to make floor mats <p>2023 Challenge: “Ode to our Favourite Thing” due June 21 2023 @ AGM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose a favourite item, photo, piece of art and using the colours within that object, create something made of fibre in the same colour palette • Your fibre creation can be spun, woven, dyed, sewn, knit, felted, crocheted, braided or any combination of fibre related items • Your creation can be decorative or functional | | | | | | |
| 11 | <p>Upcoming Events 2022 – 2023</p> | | | | | | |
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| March 2023 | | |
| | Wed Mar 15 | Monthly Meeting 7 pm ZOOM – or - In Person @ The Burr House Tea Room TBD Topic: TBD |
| April 2023 | | |
| | Wed Apr 19 | Monthly Meeting 7 pm In Person @ The Burr House Tea Room Topic: TBD |
| May 2023 | | |
| | May 6 & 7 | Burr House Spinners and Weavers Guild 2023 Spring Sale |
| | Wed May 17 | Monthly Meeting 7 pm In Person @ The Burr House Tea Room |
| June 2023 | | |
| | Wed June 21 | AGM Annual General Meeting In Person @ Elfi's Mix & Mingle 5 to 7 pm Meeting 7 pm 2023 Annual Challenge Reveal "Fibre Ode to Our Favourite Thing" |
| | July | No monthly meeting |
| | August | No monthly meeting |
| 12 | Next AGM | Wednesday June 21, 2023 |