



**Welcome to the Madison Knitters' Guild!**

Established in 1981 and believed to be the nation's first and largest knitters' guild!

**Connecting knitters of all levels to share, explore and celebrate the world of knitting through education and community involvement.**

Meeting at Promega BTC, 5445 E. Cheryl Parkway, Fitchburg, WI  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month, Sept. thru May.** Doors Open at 5 p.m.

<p align="center"><b>Benefits of Membership</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Responsibilities of Membership</b>  <b>As an ambassador of the Madison Knitters' Guild.</b>  <b>Your words, communications and actions reflect our guild.</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly electronic subscription to Knitters' Knews</li> <li>• Interactive member website</li> <li>• Monthly meetings with speaker, vendors, Knit-Aid, door prizes</li> <li>• Free lending library</li> <li>• Early sign-up option for MKG Knit-In</li> <li>• MKG classes</li> <li>• Member-only rates for events</li> <li>• MKG Knitting Safari, bus to Stitches Midwest, Winter Weekend Retreat</li> <li>• Support community agencies with knit and crocheted items</li> <li>• Free Neighborhood Knits classes</li> <li>• Discounts or special offers at local yarn/craft stores</li> <li>• KAL (Knit Along)</li> </ul>	<p>All Guild members will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• show respect to other Guild members, vendors, guests &amp; contracted staff.</li> <li>• represent MKG in a positive manner through volunteerism, friendliness &amp; encouragement.</li> <li>• maintain commitments &amp; financial obligations and when needed, advise of cancellations in a timely manner.</li> <li>• respect all facilities used by the guild: This is the home of the Madison Knitters' Guild.</li> <li>• return borrowed materials on time.</li> <li>• support the efforts of our Board of Directors and Committee chairs.</li> <li>• promote camaraderie within the Guild.</li> </ul>

**TYPICAL MEETING FORMAT:**

MEMBERSHIP TABLE (Atrium)

- Members pick up badges
- New members register

HOSPITALITY TABLE (Atrium)

- Guests sign in and make nametag
- Door prize registration
- Sign up for Show and Tell

LIBRARY (Cafeteria)

- Browse, check out or return books, magazines, DVDs

VENDORS (Atrium) at least two per meeting

KNIT-AID STATION (Cafeteria)

- Expert advice available
- Ball-winder & swift available

KNIT CONNECTIONS (Room 122)

- 5:45-6:15 Small group gatherings
- Different topic each month

COMMUNITY TABLE (Cafeteria)

- Drop off donations, check activities, select yarn & kits for community knitting.

SOCIALIZING (Cafeteria and Auditorium)

**MEETING (Auditorium) 6:30 – 8:45 p.m** - Business portion of meeting followed by Guest Speaker, Break, Show and Tell, and Door Prizes!

# MADISON KNITTERS' GUILD 2019-2020 CALENDAR

	MEETING SPEAKER	COMMUNITY PROJECTS	KNIT CONNECTIONS	VENDORS	SPECIAL EVENTS
September 9	DENISE BELL; THE LANDSCAPE OF INSPIRATION	HATS, MITTENS & SCARVES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS	WEST-A-LONG KICKOFF/ OPEN KNITTING	-ALPACA TUNDRA STORE -KALEIDOSCOPE FIBERS -LOST CITY KNITS	-CLASSES AT WS&W -PAPILLION KAL KICKOFF -LACE KAL SHOW & TELL
October 14- MEMBERS ONLY	PANEL DISCUSSION ON INCLUSION ON DIVERSITY IN OUR KNITTING COMMUNITY	HATS, MITTENS & SCARVES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS	BROWN BAG EXCHANGE KICKOFF	-HANCOCK YARNS -THE LOST SHEEP YARN SHOP -OGLE DESIGNS	-BROWN BAG EXCHANGE -NEEDLES, NOTIONS AND PATTERN SALES -YARN AND HOPS
November 11	DR. MARINA MOSKOWITZ; THE HISTORY AND SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY OF TEXTILES AND MATERIAL CULTURE	HATS, MITTENS & SCARVES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS PLUS VERY WARM HATS/SCARVES FOR HOMELESS MEN	INSTAGRAM TUTORIAL	-DMARIE KNIT -JENNY BLASEN POTTERY -SPRY WHIMSEY FIBER ARTS	-NEEDLES, NOTIONS AND PATTERN SALES
December 9	AMANDA JARVIS; THE STORY OF HER VISION AND HOW IT GREW	HATS, MITTENS & SCARVES FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS PLUS TOILETRIES	TOILETRY DONATIONS	-EWETOPIA -FIVE OAKS FARMS -MRS. CROSBY/ LORNA'S LACES	-YARN SALE TO BENEFIT SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK OF SOUTHERN WISCONSIN
January 13	ANNE PODLESAK; IT'S ALL ABOUT THE BACON	DISHCLOTHS	WEST-A-LONG PATTERN SUPPORT/ OPEN KNITTING	-KNITTY GRITTY SHOP -STONE CREST LLAMAS	-1/10-12 WINTER RETREAT IN NEW GLARUS, -NEEDLES, NOTIONS AND PATTERN SALES AND -CLASSES WITH ANNE PODLESAK
February 10- MEMBERS ONLY	STEPHEN WEST; FOLLOW YOUR FASCINATION WITH WESTKNITS	BABY ITEMS: BLANKETS (FLEECE OR KNIT), HATS, SOCKS, SWEATERS, ETC	OVERFLOW SEATING	-THE CAT AND CROW -NORTHERN BEE STUDIO -POINTELLE DESIGN	-NEEDLES, NOTIONS AND PATTERN SALES -CLASSES WITH STEPHEN WEST -WEST-A-LONG SHOW AND TELL
March 9	TRACY PURTSCHER; WHAT IF... OOPS	BABY ITEMS: BLANKETS (FLEECE OR KNIT), HATS, SOCKS, SWEATERS, ETC	OPEN KNITTING	-FIREFLY FIBERS -HIDDEN VALLEY FARM AND WOOLEN MILL	-3/20-22 KNIT IN AT ALIANT ENERGY CENTER, KEYNOTE SPEAKER, CLASSES EVENTS AND VENDORS -NEEDLES NOTIONS AND PATTERN SALES
April 13	SUSAN B ANDERSON; STASH CHANGING MOMENTS	WOMEN'S LIGHTWEIGHT SCARVES	MEMBER STASH SALE	-MODEKNIT YARN -THE WOOLGATHERERS	-MEMBER STASH SALE -NEEDLES NOTIONS AND PATTERN SALES
May 11- MEMBERS ONLY	<b>ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING:</b> COOKIES, DOOR PRIZES, VOTING FOR BOARD MEMBERS	TOYS (CRITTERS, BALLS, ETC)	BROWN BAG RETURN AND PICK UP	-BLUE HERRON KNITTERY -PRAIRIE BAG WORKS	-BROWN BAG REVEAL -LIBRARY BOOK SALE -PAPILLON KAL SHOW & TELL
June					-MALLARDS STITCH AND PITCH (DATE TBA) -SUMMER KNIT NIGHT 6/8
July					-SUMMER KNIT NIGHT 7/13
August					-BUS TRIP TO STITCHES -SUMMER KNIT NIGHT 8/10

**ONGOING COMMUNITY PROJECT:**

SCARVES/ COWLS FOR WOMEN WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED DOMESTIC ABUSE (LIGHTWEIGHT MAR-OCT, WARM OCT-MAR)

\*DONATIONS OF YARN, NEEDLES, NOTIONS AND PATTERNS ACCEPTED AT ALL MEETINGS EXCEPT DECEMBER

SALE PROCEEDS GO TO SECOND HARVEST