



January - February 2012 Classes

*Please note classes with Amanda have new start and end times.

Knitting

SOXIE'S

Instructor: Amanda Rios

Class size: minimum 3, maximum 8

Fee: \$30 plus materials

Mondays – January 9 & 16 – 6:00 to 8:00pm

Materials: 1 skein of any worsted weight yarn; we recommend Manos Rittenhouse or Malabrigo Rios; size 5 circulars and size 5 DPN; 2 buttons; and a crochet hook for provisional cast on. Gauge: 5 stitches = 1 inch in garter stitch

Learn how to knit an adorable pair of slippers created by Amanda. During this class you will learn how to make both slippers at the same time, create a cable, provisional cast-on, and a 3-needles bind-off.

BEGINNING KNITTING - BIAS SCARF/COWL

Instructor: Amanda Rios

Class size: minimum 3, maximum 8

Fee: \$60 plus materials

***Thursdays – January 5, 12, 19, 26 – 5:30 to 7:30pm**

***February 2, 9, 16, 23 – 5:30 to 7:30pm**

Materials: Any DK to worsted weight yarn and appropriate needles (we suggest size 9 for DK weight).

Learn to knit and create a beautiful bias scarf/cowl. By the end of the class you'll be armed and ready to knit just about anything you can think of. In this class, you'll learn the basics of knitting, including: cast on and bind off, knit and purl stitches, increasing and decreasing, and how to pick up that lost stitch even if you've gone several rows past it!

DROP-INS WITH AMANDA

Instructor: Amanda Rios

Mondays – January 9, 16, 23 & 30 - 3:45 to 5:45pm

Every Monday in February – 3:45 to 5:45pm

Wednesdays – Every Wednesday in January & February – 9:00 to 11:00 am

Have you taken a class with Amanda and wish it wasn't over? Or maybe you have questions for her regarding your current project or just want to come and knit with her. There is no need to have taken a previous class. She can help you with whatever you would like.

Pay for drop-in sessions one of three ways: 4 sessions for \$40, 2 sessions for \$25, or 1 session for \$15.

BASIC SOCK CLASS**Sundays – January 8, 15 & 22 – 2:00 to 4:00pm****Instructor:** Elizabeth Selk**Class size:** minimum 3, maximum 6**Fee:** \$45**Materials:** 200 yards of any worsted weight yarn, size 5 DPN

Learn to knit a sock on double-point needles. We will cover basic techniques on a small toddler sock in a worsted weight yarn. By the end of the class, you will be able to knit socks of any size. This class is suitable for the adventurous beginner.

DESIGN YOUR OWN MANOS THROW**Saturdays January 21 – 12:00 to 2:00pm****Instructor:** Caroline Matthes**February 4 & 18 – 12:00 to 2:00pm****Class size:** minimum 3, maximum 8**Additional classes to be scheduled in March & April****Fee:** \$90 plus materials**6 total classes****Materials:** Four Seasons Throws booklet, 1 skein of Manos Clasica for each block (12 in total), Kits available.

Size 9 needles and size G crochet hook. Gauge: 16 sts and 24 rows = 4 inches

Want to design your own beautiful throw, but overwhelmed with the picking the pattern stitch and color? Using your imagination, the Four Seasons Throws booklet, and beautiful yarn, you too can create a throw unique to your own style. Or use the suggested patterns and colors found in the book.

CABLE COWL**Mondays – January 23 & 30 – 6:00 to 8:00pm****Instructor:** Amanda Rios**Class size:** minimum 3, maximum 8**Fee:** \$30 plus materials**Materials:** 175 – 219 yards of bulky weight yarn (we recommend Rowan Alpaca Chunky, 2 balls); size 15 circulars with 24" cable; jumbo cable needle

Now the holidays are over, it's time to knit up a warm, cuddly cowl for you. Using the Rowan Alpaca Chunky, the cowl will be a little slice of heaven wrapped around your neck. This is a perfect project to learn how to knit a slip-stitched edge, create cables and button holes.

HIS & HER SWEATER**Mondays – February 6, 13, 20, 27 – 6:00 to 8:00pm****Instructor:** Amanda Rios**Class size:** minimum 3, maximum 8**Fee:** \$60 plus materials**Materials:** 10 simple, cosy projects booklet (for pattern); 880 to 1260 yards of bulky weight yarn (we recommend Dream In Color Groovy, Berroco Peruvia Quick, or Blackstone Tweed Chunky); size 10 and size 10 ½ needles. Gauge: 14 sts and 19 rows = 4 inches on size 10 ½ needles

Are you looking for a cozy, comfortable sweater to give to him and then borrow for yourself, or just to make for you? This is the perfect sweater. It can be worn alone, or with a shirt underneath. You will learn how to create a sweater beginning to end, shape sleeves, shoulders and the neckband.

ICE QUEEN SCARF

Saturdays, February 11 & 25 – 9:00 to 11:00am

Instructor: Clarice Yasuhara

Class size: minimum 3, maximum 6

Fee: \$30

Materials:

- 229 yards of lace weight kid mohair/silk blend (recommended Rowan Kidsilk Haze, 1 ball).
- Main Needle: 16-inch circular needle; size 8 for Version A, size 7 for Version B; Smaller Needle: 16-inch size 5 circular needle (same size for both versions, we recommend Addi Turbo Lace due to the intricate lace work you will be doing).
- Beads: Version A (grey): 60 size 4mm Swarovski crystal pearls; color: Tahitian: Version B (blue): 300 size 6 silver foil lined seed beads; color: ice blue.
- Small crochet hook or fine gauge wire small enough to fit through holes in beads (for Version B only). (*We recommend you choose your beads first and then find the hook that will fit it. Note: See Pattern Notes re: placing Beads before buying the crochet hook or wire.*)
- Smooth waste yarn (lace weight would be best, nothing heavier than a fingering weight); crochet hook; stitch markers; row counter; cable needle; sewing needle; point protectors; small shallow container for beads

Add a little sparkle to your knitting this winter with this lovely cowl. Mohair is a delicate fiber with tons of warmth, perfect to work with and wear on the coldest months of the year. Haven't tried lace yet? Not to worry, if you know how to knit, purl, k2tog, ssk and yarn over then you can make this cowl. Aside from learning how to add beads to your knitting, you will also learn the crochet provisional cast on, a picot cast off, and how to read a chart.

I'LL LOVE YOU IN THE SPRING TAM

Sundays – February 12 & 26 – 2:30 to 4:30pm

Instructor: Elizabeth Selk

Class size: minimum 3, maximum 8

Fee: \$30

Materials: 218 yards of worsted weight yarn (We recommend Stonehedge Shepherd's Wool, Berroco Ultra Alpaca, and Mochi Plus for this project; one main color and one contrasting color); size 4 and 6 needles or size to obtain a gauge of 20 sts and 26 rows = 4 inches.

Got the winter blues? Welcome in the spring with this colorful tam o' shanter. This fair-isle tam uses bright, cheerful colors that are bound to make you feel like spring is just around the corner. Use two solid colors for a traditional look, or go wild and try using a variegated yarn with long color repeats for your contrasting color. The results will be beautiful, and create the effect of many different colored yarns without all the effort (wink!). You'll love wearing your jaunty tam on those brisk spring mornings.

Crochet

DROP-INS WITH EV

Instructor: Evelyn Morgan

Fee: \$40 for 4 sessions OR \$15 for 1 session

Tuesday – Every Tuesday in January – 6:00 to 8:00pm

February 7, 21 & 28 - 6:00 to 8:00pm

Learn to crochet, improve your skills, or get help with techniques or projects. No prior experience is needed to attend a drop-in. You can either pay as you go - \$15 for 1 session, or pay for 4 sessions at once.

BIRCHBARK SLIPPERS

Instructor: Evelyn Morgan

Class size: min. 3, max. 8

Fee: \$15 plus materials

Sunday, January 22 – 9:30 to 11:30am

A fun and easy slipper made using Tunisian Simple Stitch (or any stitch you choose). One end is seamed to form the heel, and the other is folded over to make the toe. It can be custom made for any size foot and a variety of yarns.

Materials: 100-120 yards Bulky (Dream In Color Groovy recommended) or 70-100 yards Super Bulky yarn (Malabrigo Rasta or Lamb's Pride Burly Spun suggested). Size N & K (for Bulky) or P & N (for Super-Bulky) Tunisian crochet hook, or size needed to obtain gauge (3 stitches per inch and 2 1/3 stitches per inch respectively). Tapestry needle. Buttons to embellish the toes, if desired.

Homework: Make a 4" X 4" gauge swatch in Tunisian simple stitch, or whatever stitch you want to make the slippers in.

RAVELRY

HOW TO NAVIGATE RAVELRY

Instructor: Clarice Yasuhara

Class size: minimum 3, maximum 8

Fee: \$15

Sunday, January 15 – 10:30 to 12:30

Prerequisite: Must have a Ravelry account

Do you want a crash course on how to navigate around Ravelry? You found the perfect yarn, but don't know what make with it? Or do you want to see what others have made with just one skein? In our How to class, you will learn some advanced features in creating your profile; updating your library; adding notes to your projects; posting photos of your stashed yarn; and navigating around a group's forum.

Like all of classes at Colors, this will be hands on, bring your laptop or tablet if you have one.

Kids Club

KID'S BEGINNING KNITTING

Instructor: Elizabeth Selk

Class size: Minimum 1, maximum 4

Fee: \$5 each week

Sunday, January 29th - 3:00 to 3:30pm

Sunday, February 19th – 3:00 to 3:30pm

Materials: US Size 8 needles and a single ply, worsted weight yarn. (We recommend Lamb's Pride).

This class is an intimate introduction to knitting for children ages 8-12. Students will be taught to cast-on, and knit. This time is set aside before the Kids Club Knitting to give a new knitter a chance to learn the basics before more advanced knitters arrive.

KID'S CLUB KNITTING

Instructor: Elizabeth Selk

Class size: Minimum 3, maximum 6

Fee: \$15 each week

Sunday, January 29th - 3:30 to 5:00pm

Sunday, February 19th – 3:30 to 5:00pm

Materials: Bring your knitting!

Each month, we are offering drop-in style classes on knitting for children ages 8-12. This is a great place for the young knitter to get help on a current project or to learn a new technique.

SPINNING

Future Classes:

BEGINNING SPINNING WHEEL

Instructor: Michelle Lee

Class size: Minimum 3, Maximum 8

Fee: \$60

March 4th – 9:00am to 12:00pm

Materials: Your own spinning wheel, wool roving to spin with.

Description: Learn how to use your spinning wheel to make yarn. No experience necessary.

LEARN TO USE A SUPPORTED SPINDLE – THE TAHKLI

Instructor: Michelle Lee

Class size: Minimum 3, Maximum 8

Fee: \$45 plus materials fee (Price TBD)

Sunday, April 1st - 9:00am to 12:00pm

Description: Learn how to prepare and spin short fine fibers on a supported spindle. We'll work with cotton, yak and camel fibers. No experience necessary.

Materials: Fiber and Spindle kit, must be purchased from Instructor at time of class

Additional Class Information

- Class fees are due at sign-up to hold your seat.
- Class fees are refundable for store credit up to 1 week prior to the class, but not after since class size is limited, your seat is being held and materials may need to be special ordered.
- Instructors may cancel a class – and your fee will be reimbursed – if minimum size is not met.
- All Materials need to be purchased before the start of class, unless otherwise stated. If you are in a knitting/crochet class, the yarn skein must be wound into a ball before the day of the class.
- **Please sign up at least 24 hours in advance.**

IF A DAY/TIME FOR ONE OF OUR CLASSES DOES NOT WORK FOR YOU, CALL THE STORE AND LET US KNOW. WE WILL TAKE YOUR NAME AND NUMBER AND TRY TO GROUP SPECIAL REQUESTS INTO CLASSES.