

# Threadbender

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All classes are held at the Threadbender unless otherwise noted. Except for Basic Knitting classes, the class fees are paid in advance to reserve your spot in class. One week's notice is required to receive a refund or transfer (three weeks for weaving classes). We will call you if we must cancel a class and a refund will be given. Our classes are designed to assist you in the use of yarns and other materials purchased at our store. Although some materials are included in some classes, most materials are extra and must be purchased at our store. Yarns purchased at other stores should be used in that store's classes. Store models will be available to help illustrate the goal of the class. Ask, if you're not sure that a class is right for you, or whether you have the skill level required to be successful in a class.

Please register as far in advance of a class or workshop as possible. It makes our lives a little easier, in making preparations for teaching, so that we will have adequate supplies and hand-outs.!

## Basic Knitting and Problem Solving Class with Mary Kay

Bring your questions and get some serious answers from a trained educator, Mary Kay Walker. This is a real class where you can increase your knitting skills!

*Tue, 10:30-12:30, \$10*

*Thur, 10:30-12:30, \$10*

No need to register in advance, and come as often as you wish.

## Crochet—Beginning

*Wed, Jan 25, 1:30-3:30pm, \$25*

OR

*Wed, Feb 8, 6-8pm, \$25*

Learn the basics of crochet chains, single crochet and double crochet and you will gain confidence along with crochet skills. This is a technique class and we will be crocheting a stitch sampler that you can refer back to for future reference. Elizabeth Britten instructor.

## Crochet—Intermediate

We have heard from a number of customers who can crochet, but want to advance their skills. If you are interested in this class, please call or come in and give us your name and phone. Indicate whether you can come to a weekday class or weekend (or both), and Elizabeth will schedule a class for you.

## Introduction to Fair Isle Knitting

*Wed, Feb 1, 2-5pm, \$35*

OR

*Sat, Feb 4, 10:30am-1:30pm, \$35*

Learn the technique of Fair Isle Knitting as you knit a practice sampler in 3 colors. We will discuss various ways of holding and working with multiple yarns and how to read a chart. You must know how to knit with double point needles. You will need 3 colors of worsted weight yarn and size 7, 8 or 9 double points. Homework: Cast on 36 sts with one color, join, and knit 6 rows in the round. Elizabeth Britten

## Needle Felted Silk Scarf

*Sat, Jan 28, 2-4PM, \$25*

Using one of our silk scarf kits (containing a hand-dyed silk scarf, and a generous amount of hand-dyed fiber) begin a one-of-a-kind silk wearable using this very easy dry felting technique for surface design. Fine Felting needles, scarf kits and a piece of foam are needed and are available at the Threadbender. Taught by Juliane Anderson



## One-on-One with One of our Staff

*By appointment only*

Sometimes you just need someone to oversee your work and provide the amount of personal attention that's harder to get in multiple student situation. Call our staff and we'll do our best to make a date with you and see that you succeed in learning the techniques you yearn to accomplish. \$25/one hr. Prepay, please.

## Seams Sew

*Sat, March 3, 10:30am-12:30pm, \$25*

Learn several different methods for joining seams beautifully on knitted garments. This includes 3-needle bind-off, garter ridge to ridge, stitch to stitch, row to row, and stitch to row. Finishing can make or break a garment, learn from the master... Mary Kay Walker. Intermediate knitting level required. Bring homework, yarn needle, and scissors. Homework required for this class is available when you register.

## Versatile Rectangle Vest

*Sat, Feb 18, 10:30am-12:30pm, \$25*

OR

*Tues, March 13, 2:30-4:30pm, \$25*  
Using a traditional rectangular shape, we will design and begin to

knit a simple, stylish, and sleeveless vest with an optional collar. Choose 1200 yds of medium weight yarn before class and be sure one ball is ready to knit. You'll need a 32" or 40" size 8 or 9 circular needle. Advance beginner skills required. Mary Kay Walker

## Understanding the Adult Surprise Sweater

Mon, Feb 13, 10:30-1:30pm, \$35  
You have asked and we aim to please. Marcia Skinner has knitted this pattern

enough times, that she will get you started and help you to decipher the



unusual way that Elizabeth Zimmerman designed this sweater. You will need:

- the new pattern
- worsted weight yarn (about 1.5 lb, and keep your receipt)
- 29" or longer circular needle in a size appropriate for the yarn you choose
- gauge swatch with this yarn and needle measuring at least 4x4" in garter stitch (knit every row)
- a sweater that fits you well
- calculator
- coiless safety pins

All these items, except for the swatch, are available at our store and should be arranged for ahead of time. Marcia will cover Elizabeth's marking system, increases and decreases, and clarifying the formula, with tips and hints on completing the jacket. Knit it to fit!

## Hours

Mon-Sat 10-5  
Sunday 12-4

Closed Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day

Call to register:

**616-531-6641**

Mail registration to:  
2767 44th St SW  
Wyoming MI 49519  
Or register in person!



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## Mutant University

Now offering 3 knitting classes for your well-rounded education in knitting circularly.

Apply these techniques to mittens, gloves, dolls, and many other circular projects.

These classes are offered every month.

Check back for class updates.

**Marcia Skinner,**

Princess of the college.

### Socks 101

#### Double Point Traditional Socks

Fri, Jan 20, 10:30am-1:30pm, \$35  
OR

Sat, Feb 25, 10:00am-1:00pm \$35

This is a beginning sock class in which we will knit a mutant sock using the traditional 4 double point needles. If you have never made a sock, this is the place to start. Please bring worsted weight yarn and 4 double point needles in size 6, 7, or 8.

### Socks 302

#### 2 Socks on 1 Circular Needle

Sat, Jan 28, 10:30am-1:30pm \$35  
OR

Sat, Feb 25, 1:30-4:30pm, \$35

Knit 2 **mutant socks** at the same time on 1 long circular needle, from an expert who figured out her own method to this magical approach to sock knitting. You will need 1 ball each of 2 different colors of worsted weight yarn and a circular needle size 7, 8, or 9, 40" or 47" (or longer). Addi Turbo circular needles are required because all others are harder to work with. You must be able to knit a sock successfully or have taken Socks 101 to register for this class. Supplies should be purchased before class.

### Short-Row Sock Heel

Fri, Jan 20, 2-3:30pm, \$18  
OR

Fri, Feb 17, 10:30-12Noon, \$18

Knitting this elegant and beautifully shaped heel, is a piece of cake without the calories. Register in advance so you have time to complete the homework. A sample will be completed in class. Homework sheet given when you register.