

**KNITTING GUILD OF GREATER BUFFALO  
SPRING SEMINAR – MAY 3-5, 2024**

**PLEASE NOTE LOCATION of ALL CLASSES:  
SHERMAN ZAVITZ THEATER, NIAGARA FALLS CITY MUSEUM  
5810 FERRY STREET  
NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO L2G 1S9**

We are so excited to announce our Spring Seminar Weekend featuring Mary W. Martin and Lucy Neatby, two fantastic Canadian teachers and designers.

Mary hails from Toronto and is a member of our Guild. She has introduced us to her design techniques, employing Fission and Fusion knitting. Her classes will provide introduction to these techniques, both to tackle her ingenious patterns and to incorporate some of her techniques into your own designs. See information on Mary and her designs here: <https://payhip.com/MaryWMartinKnits>

Lucy Neatby, from Nova Scotia, is world renowned for her patterns, books, DVDs, classes and colorful clothes, shoes and hair. She has taught at our Guild in the past (the last time was Fall, 2010) but no longer teaches in the United States. Lucy's designs can be found here: <https://www.ravelry.com/designers/lucy-neatby>

We are so lucky to live close to the Canadian border in order to learn from both of these amazing teachers, on the Canadian side of Niagara Falls. We hope our members will enjoy this outing, and we have arranged a room block in a brand new hotel, walking distance from the Museum (about a 10 minute walk), for Friday and Saturday nights.

Here is the hotel information (all prices in Canadian dollars)  
Wyndham Garden Inn, 6141 Fallsview Boulevard, Niagara Falls ON

For Friday, May 3 - \$159 (CAD) plus taxes (Taxes will total about \$37 CAD)  
For Saturday, May 4 - \$219 (CAD) plus taxes (Taxes will total about \$48 CAD)  
Prices are for one or two adults per room. There are some rooms with two queen beds, some with one king bed. Parking is \$20 CAD per day/night

The room block will be available until April 2, 2024, or until the rooms are taken. You may cancel a room without penalty until April 30, 2024. We realize that there are an abundance of motel/hotel rooms in the area—we selected this for the niceness of the facility/the location/and the price. We have been given a discount on the room rate.

To make a room reservation, call **1-800-263-2580** and request: “**The Knitting Guild of Greater Buffalo**” room block.:

**Note: You will need a Passport, a Passport Card, or a Nexus Card in order to enter Canada, and to return to the US. If you do not have a valid Passport, please be advised that current processing times are 8-12 weeks plus time for mailing, and you should apply ASAP. You should also leave yourself enough time for travel and getting through border control. There are 65 parking spaces at the museum, including 7 accessible spots)**

## SEMINAR SCHEDULE and REGISTRATION

Class size is limited to 25. We will register in order of receipt of your registration as follows:

1. All registrations postmarked or received by Friday, March 1, 2024, from Guild Members, in order of receipt.
2. All other registrations from Guild Members or Non-Guild Members in order of receipt.

### REGISTRATIONS WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL

#### **Friday, May 3, 9am - 12n Introduction to Fusion Knitting - Mary**

Fusion knitting is a reversible colourwork technique where slipped stitches are placed on both sides of the fabric to create design elements. The design on one side of the fabric is mirrored on the back -- in other words, the designs from each side are fused together.

#### **Friday, May 3, 1pm - 4pm: Introduction to Fission Knitting - Mary**

Fission Knitting is a reversible colourwork technique where the fabric is worked with yarns held in a marl. The design elements are slipped stitches placed on both sides of the fabric. The marl is broken apart to work these stitches. The resultant fabric has a marled middle layer and an overlaid design on each side. It is possible to create a different cabled design on each side of the fabric.

#### **Saturday, May 4, 9am - 12n: Hello Cinderella – Introduction to Intarsia knitting - Lucy**

What is intarsia knitting? How does this technique allow you to paint with yarn? Preparation for knitting; the key to serene working. Reading and improving charts. Planning a strategy to tackle your project. Establishing the first row. Dealing with tails and tangles. Which ends should be knitted in, which are better darned in. Linking yarns. Coping with horizontal colour jumps. Surgical removal of mistakes and rescue tactics.

#### **Saturday, May 4, 1pm - 4pm: Hot Sock Tricks-Lucy**

A wide ranging selection of Lucy's most trusted sock tips and tricks, including Modified Conventional Bind-Off (which may revolutionize your life), the toe-chimney grafting method, slipping stitches fast and easy, running yarn markers and wonderful hole-curing sutures. Getting to know the Australian Cousins, play with new-to-you needle configurations, Alternative heel stitch, Holes and more besides. Helpful techniques, even if you are not a sock knitter.

#### **Sunday, May 5, 9am - 12n: Bubbles Scarf Double Knitting Techniques-Lucy**

An introduction to two-colour, negative/positive double layer knitting, to cover all the techniques used in my fun Bubbles Scarf pattern. How to establish a two-layer, two colour fabric and finding your most efficient method of handling two yarns. How to read DK charts, build patterns and keep edges closed and neat. Adding dimension to your fabric by stuffing your bubbles. Tubular cast-on in two colours and its matching Tubular bind-off (if time permits).

#### **Sunday, May 5, 1pm - 4pm: Emperor's New Workshop-Lucy**

We will begin with a swatch of the Emperors new fabric (a fine filigree of knitted strands framing carefully worked medallions of . . . air). This swatch utilizes waste yarn opening techniques and a close study of stitch structure. From this point forward there is no official agenda; we will explore knitting questions and conundrums that you have always wanted to ask in a workshop but that have never fit into the topics allotted

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Mail (or deliver) your registration with a check made payable to:

**The Knitting Guild of Greater Buffalo**

to:

Sharon Stern Gerstman  
116 Brantwood Road  
Amherst, NY 14226

Member Registrations received or postmarked by March 1, 2024 will be given first preference

\_\_\_\_\_ Fri. May 3 - 9am - 12n: **Introduction to Fusion Knitting (Martin)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Fri. May 3 - 1pm - 4pm: **Introduction to Fission Knitting (Martin)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Sat. May 4 - 9am - 12n: **Hello Cinderella – Intarsia (Neatby)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Sat. May 4 - 1pm - 4pm: **Hot Sock Tricks (Neatby)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Sun. May 5 - 9am - 12n: **Bubble Scarf Double Knitting Techniques (Neatby)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Sun. May 5 - 1pm - 4pm: **Emperor’s New Workshop (Neatby)**

Payment enclosed: For Guild Members: \$35 x \_\_\_\_\_ number of classes = \_\_\_\_\_

For Non-Guild Members: \$40 x \_\_\_\_\_ number of classes = \_\_\_\_\_

All fees in US Dollars

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-mail Address (please print clearly): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Phone number day of seminar (Cell number preferable): \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Information Required. Note: you must have an email address to receive confirmation and homework/supply list.**