



Skinny on Lace and Shetland Hap Shawl with Denise Bell

Sunday, March 10th, 2019

10 AM – 1 PM: Skinny on Lace

2 PM – 5 PM: Shetland Hap Shawl

Pearl Studios

519 Eighth Avenue (between West 35th & 36th Streets)

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We are happy as can be to offer two half-day workshops with Denise Bell, the designer behind two books, each of which draws inspiration from a specific region and its culture. Her first book, *Ultima Thule*, is set in the Shetland Islands off the north coast of mainland Scotland, and features incredible lacework inspired by life on the islands. Her Kailyard shawl draws gasps when it is unfurled! Her second book, *Deep Roots*, considers the landscape and personalities of the Flint Hills of Chase County, Kansas, a unique tall-grass prairie uninterrupted by mechanized agriculture.

Denise's teaching experience includes events from coast to coast and border to border, including STITCHES Events, the Dallas Fort Worth Fiber Festival, Yarnover in Minneapolis, and the North Carolina Fiber Frolic.

Skinny on Lace (Sunday, March 10th, 10 AM – 1 PM)



Class Description: [Skinny on Lace](#)

While it's true that any type of yarn can be used to make lace and that there are many wonderful works made from heavier yarns, there is something special about a lace shawl made from true lace-weight yarn. There is no need to be lace-phobic!

If you've admired lightweight shawls that lift with a gentle breeze and weigh next to nothing but felt intimidated by wispy yarn, it's time to get your skinny on. Learn from a self-acknowledged lace junkie the basics of triangle shawl knitting and start your own lace-weight shawl in class. We'll discuss chart reading symbols, pattern repeat boxes, odd and even rows, no stitch, yarn choices, and lifelines. You'll learn the basics of lace shawl construction using a hand dyed skein of lace-weight merino, and by the time class is over you will have a start on your very own lace shawl and the confidence to complete it.

Class Supply List:

Students need to bring a size 4US or 5US 16" or 24" circular needle with sharp tips. Students should have on hand four stitch markers along with their usual knitting kit, containing scissors, etc. Bring one skein of at least 700 yards of SOLID colored lace-weight merino or other wool yarn (can be superwash). Since this is a beginning lace class, fibers such as silk, alpaca, mohair or bamboo are not recommended. Save those for a later use.

Shetland Hap Shawl (Sunday, March 10th, 2 PM - 5 PM)



Class Description: [Shetland Shawl](#)

Not all Shetland shawls are knit from skinny yarn and can pass through a wedding ring. While we love those that do, the traditional Shetland Hap Shawl is generally knit with jumper- (fingering-) weight yarn in the natural colors of true Shetland-bred sheep. In this class we're going to add a little twist to the traditional everyday Shetland shawl. We'll discuss traditional techniques and color placement in class and work on a swatch to learn the basics of modern Hap Shawl construction. This class includes homework!

Class Supply List:

Students should bring size 5US or 6US circular needles in BOTH 24" and 32" lengths (or interchangeable cords), stitch markers and the usual knitting kit. Also bring three to five solid-colored fingering-weight non-superwash wool yarns of 100-200 yards each, and colored pencils or crayons in shades representing your chosen swatch colors, with maybe a few more to play around with. (Instructor will supply graph paper and some oddments of yarn.)

HOMEWORK!

Using color chosen as your Main Color (MC), knit a diamond shape beginning with one stitch, leaving a 6" tail, increasing one stitch EVERY row in the following method (both front and back) until you have 53 stitches. Then decrease one stitch EVERY row in the following method until you once again have one stitch.

- Increasing method: *Yarn over, knit across to the last stitch, knit into the back of the loop of last stitch*. Turn and repeat until you have 53 stitches.
- Decreasing method: *Yarn over, sk2togpss0, knit across to the last stitch, knit into the back of loop of last stitch*. Turn and repeat until 2 stitches remain. When 2 stitches remain k2tog. One stitch remains on the needle.
- Pick up and knit 26 stitches per side. (104 total)
- Do not cut or break working yarn.

Each workshop is limited to 25 students, so register early!



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Registration Form

Workshops with Denise Bell

March 10th, 2019

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

CHECK YOUR CLASS SELECTION(S)/MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY BELOW:

Morning Class: Skinny on Lace

Member (\$75) Non-Member (\$90)

Afternoon Class: Shetland Hap Shawl

Member (\$75) Non-Member (\$90)

Please return completed form with your payment.

Make checks payable to BIG APPLE KNITTERS GUILD and mail to:

**Jill Eisner
444 East 75th Street, 17A
New York, NY 10021**

Each workshop is limited to 25 students, so register early! Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Your registration for the workshop(s) will be confirmed by email or phone. Reservations received after the classes are full will be waitlisted. If you are waitlisted, you will be notified and admitted to the workshop(s) if a cancellation is received.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jill Eisner, BAKG Education Chair, at (917) 375-7340 or via email at education@bakg.org

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Advance Registration Required

Please note our workshop location:

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