

Introduction to Intarsia and The Prada Shell Cowl

with Julia Farwell-Clay Saturday, December 1, 2018

Introduction to Intarsia: 10 AM – 1 PM
The Prada Shell Cowl: 2 PM - 5 PM
Pearl Studio
500 Eighth Avenue (between West 35th & 36th Streets)
4th Floor, Room 401



We are delighted to offer two half-day workshops with Julia Farwell-Clay, an extraordinary designer and instructor. Before becoming a knitwear designer, Julia was a college English teacher for ten years. During that time, she experienced the joy of teaching students how to approach new material, a skill she also brings to her knitting students. Julia's overriding credo for her designs is that they must be fun to knit and fun to wear. Her focus as a designer is applying modern treatments to traditional techniques, which results in pieces with considerable graphic impact. Julia's designs are novel and inventive and are inspired by many sources. As a writer, blogger, teacher, lecturer, and designer, Julia is a true catalyst in the knitting universe.

Julia's output as a designer includes more than 70 patterns. Her designs, as well as writings, have been published in *Knitty, Interweave Knits, Pom Pom Quarterly*, and *Twist Collective*, among others. Additionally, Julia designed all the patterns in the recently published *Mason Dixon Knitting Field Guide No. 7: Ease*. To learn more about Julia, please visit her website: www.juliafarwellclay.com

Introduction to Intarsia (10 AM to 1 PM)



Class Description

Intarsia is a technique for knitting a multicolored design that uses a different ball of yarn for each column of color in the design. Unlike stranded colorwork, where the yarn not in use is carried across the back of the work, in intarsia, when a color changes, the old color is left hanging. In this class, we'll cover intarsia basics, move on to yarn management strategies, and trouble shoot some samples to keep the weaving in of ends to a minimum. We will work a sample argyle design both flat—and if you're feeling brave—in the round.

Required Skills: Must be able to cast on, bind off, and work in stockinette.

Class Supply List: Please bring to class two high-contrast colors of non-splitty worsted weight yarn, plus a few yards of a third yarn for the argyle diagonal. Also bring scissors and needles to match your yarn. If you feel inclined to try intarsia in the round, please also bring needles that will suit a small circumference in the round, like 4 dpns or circulars (two 24" circulars or longer, or one 32" circular or longer).

Homework: None

The Prada Shell Cowl (2 PM to 5 PM)



Class Description: Introduction to the Prada Shell (aka the Mermaid Stitch)

Not too long ago, a multicolored Prada sweater modeled by actor Eddie Redmayne seized the attention of knitters on Instagram. Since then, Julia has played with the design and not only figured out its secrets, but wrote an article about the process for Mason Dixon Knitting. She then designed a cardigan, cowl, and shawl based on its basic modular unit. In this class, Julia will share with you the secrets of those designs and show you how to apply them to future projects. We'll also talk about color choices and short rows as they play out in this technique. You will also receive a pattern for Julia's Prada shell cowl as part of the class materials.

Required Skills: Must be able to cast on, bind off, and work in stockinette. *Experience* with short rows is not necessary.

Class Supply List: Please bring to class an assortment of dk, worsted, or bulky stash bits all in the same weight, or thereabouts, in at least three colors, but the more the merrier! Also bring four removable stitch markers, needles that match your yarn, and scissors.

Homework: None

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

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



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BAKG Workshops Announcement and Registration

Saturday December 1, 2018 (10:00 AM – 5:00 PM)

Instructor: Julia Farwell-Clay

Advance Registration Required

Please note our workshop location:

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