

Big Apple Knitters Guild

GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, March 9, 2019

1 PM – 4 PM

New York Society for Ethical Culture (Social Hall)
2 West 64th Street (at Central Park West), New York, NY

Guest Speaker: Denise Bell, Lost City Knits



Denise Bell is a knitwear designer, independent yarn dyer and teacher. She is the creative force behind Lost City Knits, which features yarns dyed on her farm in eastern Oklahoma. She has also published two books: *Ultima Thule*, featuring patterns inspired by the Shetland Islands, and *Deep Roots*, her latest book, inspired by the Tallgrass Prairie and Flint Hills of Kansas. Denise teaches regularly at fiber festivals across the country.

Presentation: Denise will present stories behind some of Lost City Knits' yarn colors, patterns, and books, explaining how she finds and interprets beauty found in nature. She will also present a mini-workshop on decreases, highlighting the characteristics of different decreases to inform choice in using them for appearance and speed of execution.

Denise will be bringing a trunk show of some of her original designs, and a selection of her hand-dyed yarns and books will be available for purchase with the 10% BAKG discount.

Homework: Bring a solid, light-colored yarn in a weight you typically use, and the appropriate needle size to give you a solid hand of fabric. Using your preferred cast-on (long tail method is recommended), cast on 19 stitches. Rows 1-5 – knit all stitches; Row 6 – k3, p13, k3.

Following the presentation, you can join our Charity Table, our KALs led by Norine Grodin, or the Beginners Circle led by Suzy Quiles. You are also welcome to stay and knit during the remainder of our time together.

Two New KALs: Alchechini by Steven-Be and Miss Grace Shawl by Skeino



Alchechini is a unique Steven-Be design modeled at our December meeting. The pattern calls for three different colored skeins of Alchemy Silken Straw in a gradient from lightest to darkest, paired with two different analogous colored skeins of Alchemy Haiku. Steven-Be is providing us with free copies of this pattern. The pattern can be found at

<https://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/alchechini>



The **Miss Grace Shawl** requires 4 skeins of yarn: 2 in a base color, 1 skein in color one and 1 skein in color two. This project is for intermediate to advanced knitters. Knitters should be familiar with increases and short rows. You can download/print this free pattern at

<https://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/miss-grace-shawl>.

Beginners Circle: Are you just getting started with knitting, or returning to it after a long hiatus? Please join this group at our general meetings to learn basic knitting skills. You will need to bring a light-colored worsted-weight yarn and straight or circular needles suitable for your yarn (e.g., US # 7- 9) and/or a project you need help with.

Guests: We welcome guests at all meetings. First guest visit: free admission. A nominal \$5 guest fee will be charged on subsequent visits; this fee may be applied to annual dues, if paid on the meeting day. Join us!

A jumbo ball winder and yarn swift are now available for your use at meetings.

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Looking Ahead: 2019 BAKG Calendar

April 13: Pat Olski – designer, teacher, author

May 11: Dalis Davidson – Dancing Leaf Farm

June 8: Members Share the Talent

September 14: Sarah Solomon – designer, teacher

October 12: Rebecca Kevelson – Clinton Hill Cashmere Co.

November 9: Trisha Malcolm – Vogue Knitting

December 14: Marcy Winter – Delicious Yarns



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