



SAORI Zen Weaving Workshop with Yukako Satone

Sunday, February 23rd, 2020, 1 – 4 PM

Loop of the Loom - DUMBO
197 Plymouth Street, Brooklyn



SAORI is a free form of weaving that was developed by Misao Jo in Japan, based on Zen teaching. Fifty years ago Misao was seeking a new hobby for her retirement life. She began to weave and found great beauty in the imperfections of her first weaving. She named this philosophy SAORI. In the Japanese Zen vocabulary, SAORI is the combination of the words 'SAI' and 'ORI', 'SAI' meaning everything has its own individual dignity, and 'ORI' meaning weaving.

Yukako has brought this method from Japan and established her own SAORI studio, Loop of the Loom. Yukako's studio embodies the traditional Zen point of view, to admire the “beauty with lack of intentions,” as found in nature.

Yukako Satone

Yukako has been a certified instructor of SAORI weaving and a member of the SAORI Leaders Committee since 2005. After studying in Japan and practicing SAORI weaving, Yukako founded Loop of the Loom in 2005 and then went on to found the nonprofit organization SAORI Arts NYC in 2015. She has been guiding thousands of beginners and apprentices from all over the world, including the UK, Israel, Haiti, Chile, Australia, and Senegal. Weaving has changed their lives for the better.

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

NO WEAVING EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!

When you step into Loop of the Loom, light music and cheerful colors invite you to a pre-set loom waiting for you to work on. With a little guidance, you will be able to create your own woven piece. You will have full access to the 400+ yarns and fibers in the studio, and will enjoy exploring all the different colors and textures you can find! As your session progresses, the studio staff will be on hand to answer any questions and help any time you need them.

ZEN WEAVING IS YOUR CREATIVE JOURNEY

Be open-minded and follow what you like. Relax...this is "Zen weaving." It will allow you to find tranquility and relaxation in the rhythm of movement and color.

NO MISTAKES!

You can weave as freely as you like. Unlike conventional weaving, this is not about making fabric that looks machine-made, but rather about trying to do what only human beings can do. Let your creative mind express your true self through playing and experimenting. You will be encouraged to look at your weaving through kind eyes -- it is 'wabi-sabi.'

TIME FLIES WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN!

In a few hours, you can complete a tapestry-size woven piece to decorate your home!

The following topics will be covered:

- What SAORI weaving is and how it differs from other weaving and textile arts
- Basic techniques for exploring ideas by yourself
- Finishing technique of tying on a stick
- Display of works by SAORI garment designs

Note:

You will be asked to take off your shoes during the session. You may wear socks or bring room shoes.

Creative supplies provided:

A loom with a pre-set 12-inch wide black warp & unlimited yarns with which to weave.

Materials to bring:

Just bring an open-mind without a plan!

Take-home materials:

A woven piece with a stick.

No homework for this workshop!

It's an experimental weaving session done with a meditative mind. Don't be nervous -- it's very easy and relaxing.

This workshop is limited to 14 students, so register early!

Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Your registration for the workshop will be confirmed by email or phone. Reservations received after the class is full will be waitlisted. If you are waitlisted, you will be notified and admitted to the workshop if a cancellation is received and you are at the top of the waitlist.

Refund Policy

The workshop fee is non-refundable if a registrant cancels 14 days or fewer prior to the workshop; a registrant may arrange for someone to attend in his/her place provided that his/her place cannot be filled by someone on the waitlist. There are no refunds for registrants who do not cancel and do not attend the workshop.

Directions to Loop of the Loom - DUMBO, 197 Plymouth Street, Brooklyn:

- From York Street Station (F train): Walk north on Jay Street a few blocks toward the river (you can see!), turn right onto quiet cobblestoned Plymouth Street and walk to #197. (8-10 minutes)
- From High Street (A/C trains): Walk through Cadman Plaza Park, curve left and walk under the Brooklyn Bridge and onto Washington Street, then walk another 4 blocks to Plymouth Street, turn right and walk to #197. (10-13 minutes)
- From the ferry landing: Take a walk along the river and pass under two bridges to enter "time-slipped" Plymouth Street; proceed to #197. (8-10 minutes)



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Registration Form

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Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY BELOW:

☐ 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**

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

BAKG Workshop Announcement and Registration

Time: Saturday, February 23rd, 2020, 1 – 4PM

Instructor: Yukako Satone

Advance Registration Required

Please note our workshop location:

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