

Big Apple Knitters Guild GENERAL MEETING via Zoom *Members Only!* Saturday, April 10, 2021, 1–4 PM

Please begin check-in at 12:30 PM https://zoom.us/j/91862448277



GUEST SPEAKER: James Cox, Knitwear Designer and Instructor

After a successful career in advertising and marketing, James Cox turned his lifelong passion for knitting and knitwear design into a second career. Through the knitwear company and online website <u>James Cox Knits</u>, he offers patterns that reinterpret fashion classics such as the dress shirt and the polo shirt in kits that feature a curated selection of eco-friendly yarns.

TV commercials James created are in the permanent collection of the Smithsonian Institution. As a knitter, he has been profiled in *Vogue Knitting* magazine. James has taught Zen knitting at spas in San Diego and the Virgin Islands and through STITCHES Expo at Home.

PRESENTATION: DESIGN PROCESS AND DESIGNING WITH FLOATS

From his studio in St. John (Virgin Islands), James will discuss his line of classic knitwear designs and men's and women's fashion trends for 2021. With the Marcella Kimono-Style Coatigan and Wrap as a case study, he will also guide us in a stitch technique that showcases yarn floats on the right side of a knitted fabric. (See homework in attached handout.) **Special offer: 15% discount** on all yarn, patterns and kits at <u>www.jamescoxknits.com</u>, valid April 10 – April 30, 2021 (coupon code: KNIT15).

SHOW AND TELL

To participate in virtual Show and Tell, please use the **new** on-line fillable <u>Show and Tell form</u> on the BAKG website. Save the form and email it along with your project picture to Kate Kosturski at <u>webmaster@bakg.org</u> by **April 8, 2021, at 5 PM EST.** The first 15 members to submit (as determined by email timestamps) will show their projects at the April meeting. Those who could not be accommodated will get priority at the May meeting.

CHARITY KNITTING BREAKOUT ROOM

Following the program, join others interested in knitting items to donate to charity in the Charity Knitting Breakout Room, hosted by BAKG Charity Chair **Halyna Levytska**. Knitters working on any charity project are welcome. **NOTE:** There will be Group Open Knitting for the remainder of our meeting time for those who wish to knit with others, but are not working on a charity project.

VIRTUAL KNITTING PROJECT HELP SESSION

Following the meeting, BAKG member **Susan Leibowitz** will host a separate 45-minute Zoom session to help beginners get started or assist knitters who have encountered an issue with their projects. To reserve a spot, email Susan Leibowitz at <u>susan.leibowitz@gmail.com</u> by April 8, 2021, with the following: the issue; clear close-up photos of the work (include right and wrong sides); clear photo or scan of the instructions and chart; and the designer's name. Session limited to the first five registrants. Susan will send confirmation and provide a link to the session. NOTE: If you resolve your issue prior to the Help Session, please cancel your reservation to allow another member to participate.

UPCOMING 2021 MEETINGS

The following meetings will be held via **Zoom**:

Saturday, May 8	Alasdair Post-Quinn—Designer and author
Saturday, June 12	Norah Gaughan—Editor in Chief, Vogue Knitting

The format (in-person at NYSEC or remotely via Zoom) for these meetings is TBD:

Saturday, September 11	Laura Bryant—Creative Director, Prism Yarns
Saturday, October 9	Trisha Malcolm—Executive Brand Strategist, MEZ Crafts/Rowan
Saturday, November 13	Tabbethia Habould—Owner and breeder, Long Island Yarn & Farm
Saturday, December 11	BAKG Auction

NOTE: BAKG general meetings, workshops, or other BAKG-sponsored events, whether in person or virtual, may be photographed and/or recorded by audio and/or video. By your in-person or virtual participation at these meetings, you consent to the photography and/or recording and to the use of your image and/or recording in print and social media.



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