

FIBER ARTISANS BYLAWS

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ARTICLE I, NAME	Fiber Artisans Guild
ARTICLE II, PURPOSE	The purpose of Fiber Artisans is to promote fiber related arts; particularly weaving, spinning, dyeing, and basket making
ARTICLE III, MEMBERSHIP	<p>Individuals wishing to be members of Fiber Artisans shall have an interest in designing and making items of fiber.</p> <p>Active membership: Individuals after paying annual dues will be considered active members and have all privileges of membership. Membership dues are payable to the Guild in May.</p> <p>Honorary membership will be conferred upon individuals by election of majority of membership. No dues will be assessed to our Honorary members. Honorary members shall have all rights and privileges of full membership except the right to vote.</p> <p>Financial and administrative decisions shall be made by quorum of one half of the active membership plus one.</p> <p>For all other matters decisions shall be made by consensus of members present</p> <p>Affiliation: Fiber Artisans Guild is a member of the Conference of Northern California Handweavers (CNCH). Fiber Artisans pays a yearly stipend per member to CNCH.</p>
ARTICLE IV, MEETINGS	<p>Regular Fiber Artisans meetings are all months except December.</p> <p>The time and place of the meetings is to be determined by vote of membership. There will be summer activities such as field trips or hands on activities, to be determined by consensus.</p>

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ARTICLE V, GOVERNANCE	<p>Election of new officers will be at May meeting. Outgoing officers will assist new ones in planning for the coming year.</p> <p>The officer and duties shall be as follows:</p> <p>The President:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is responsible for setting an agenda for the regular meetings, and for chairing the meeting. • May appoint chairpersons and committees as needed to assist in club activities. • Is to attend the regularly scheduled CNCH liaison meetings (usually held in the fall and at the annual conference). If unable to attend, a substitute shall be appointed. <p>The Vice President (optional position):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is responsible for setting an agenda for the regular meetings, and for chairing the meeting. • May appoint chairpersons and committees as needed to assist in club activities. • Is to attend the regularly scheduled CNCH liaison meetings (usually held in the fall and at the annual conference). If unable to attend, a substitute shall be appointed. <p>The Secretary (optional position):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is responsible for recording motions that are made and their disposal. • Will send out meetings notices and maintain the web page. • Will appoint a person to receive email responses to our web site. • May appoint a Webmaster to assist in maintaining the site, but will be responsible for the web content. • May send material to CNCH for inclusion in CNCH newsletter, or their web site. <p>Treasurer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deposits collected money into Fiber Artisans checking account. There will be two signatures on the account. Either signer may write checks. • Collects dues. • Pays approved bills as submitted in writing by members. • May pay bills submitted with a receipt. • Any expenditure over \$50.00 shall be approved by a vote of the membership. Bills up to \$50.00 do not require a vote. • Prepares a report to be submitted at each monthly meeting (balance of checking account). • Maintains the membership roster, and sends in the required member information and dues to CNCH. <p>CNCH Liaison Person:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaison Person's name shall be given to the CNCH in order to maintain communication with the body. The Liaison person shall pass any information or news from CNCH to the membership. The Liaison Person is to attend the CNCH

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ARTICLE VI, DISSOLUTION	Upon dissolution of the Guild, the Treasurer shall distribute all remaining assets equally to remaining members.
ARTICLE VII, AMENDMENTS OF BYLAWS	These Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting at which there is a quorum present, provided the members have been notified by e-mail at least 30 days in advance.
STANDING RULES	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Membership dues are payable to Fiber Artisans in May. This includes the per-member CNCH assessment. See Amendments for amount. 2. The Guild shall communicate regularly with its members via e-mail, telephone, or a website.