

Rug Hooking Our Beautiful Birch Trees



Instructor: Melissa Gauthier

Date/ Time: Wednesdays 1:30pm-3:30pm

Session Dates: November 8, 15, 22, 29 (4 sessions)

Location: Bill Johnstone Activity Centre

Participants: Minimum 3, Maximum 12

Course Outline:

Participants in this course will hook birch trees in a seasonal setting using a variety of materials. The approximate mat size will be 8" x 14". A meandering walk thru the Waterfowl Park can begin our journey. Rug makers will delight in seeing how the geometric and organic shapes of the birch tree are a wonderful and whimsical way to explore rug hooking. This workshop serves beautifully as an introductory course, and can challenge more experienced rug hookers and their creativity as well.

Instructor Bio:

Melissa Gauthier has been an educator and counselor for 25 years, teaching Art and English, as well as the importance of the handmade, at all age levels. She was very pleased to show her rugs at Struts Gallery this past July, and participated in the Fiber and Quilt Show during this year's Sandpiper Festival. Melissa also conducted a rug hooking workshop in partnership with Keillor House this summer, where participants hooked their beloved sandpiper, Shep.

****Please note-** there is an additional cost per participant of \$15.00; this cost will include the birch tree pattern on backing and enough hooking material to complete your project. Melissa can supply hoops on site.

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- a) The course is cancelled or delayed unexpectedly or if there is a change in the time or venue of the course.
- b) During the course if the instructor gives notice that he or she is ill or unavailable for one of the sessions. The course liaison will attempt to contact those without email by phone, so please ensure the TSC has your correct phone # as well.

Absence/ Absenteeism - TSC instructors are volunteers who work very hard to prepare courses. Your cooperation is appreciated in letting them know if you are unable to attend as most instructors plan for the number of students who registered for the course. If circumstances change for you between registration and the first class, or if you decide to withdraw from the class, please email the TSC coordinator at tscordinator@gmail.com. You can also call 506-364-2780 to let us know. Many courses have a wait list and someone else may be able to take your place. Once the class has started please advise the instructor if you are unable to attend a session.

Classroom comportment - Active class participation is encouraged by the TSC. We request that class members are mindful and respectful of the level of comfort of their fellow students and the volunteer instructors as they participate in the discussions.