

Historic Classes at Wabash and Erie Canal – Spring 2024

Coopering Tools

Learn a historic skill to make tools needed in coopering using historic tools and methods. This a 2-day class.

Friday and Saturday April 19, 20

9:00 – 5:00 with 1 hour lunch (bring your own lunch)

Instructor Peter Cooper. Peter has been coopering since 1997. He has taught coopering to over 500 students, and made coopered products for National historic sites, national parks and theme parks in the US and Canada.

Class Fee: \$165.00 + Material Fee: \$80.00 + Canal: \$33.00 = \$278.00

Skill Level: Beginner (students 14-18 are allowed if accompanied by an adult)

Class size: Minimum 2 students, maximum 5

Location: Cooper Shop

Optional tool list will be provided after registration.



Weaving

Learn weaving on a 4-harness and/or union loom and braiding scissor finders. Take home a few mug rugs, and one or two scissor finders. This is a one-day class.

Sunday May 5

9:00 – 4:00 with 1 hour lunch (bring your own lunch)

Instructor member of Weaving Guild. The Weaving Guild has existed for 40 years. Ryoko, the instructor, has been weaving 20 years. She retired from accounting; she “used to count money and now counts threads; it’s much more fun.”

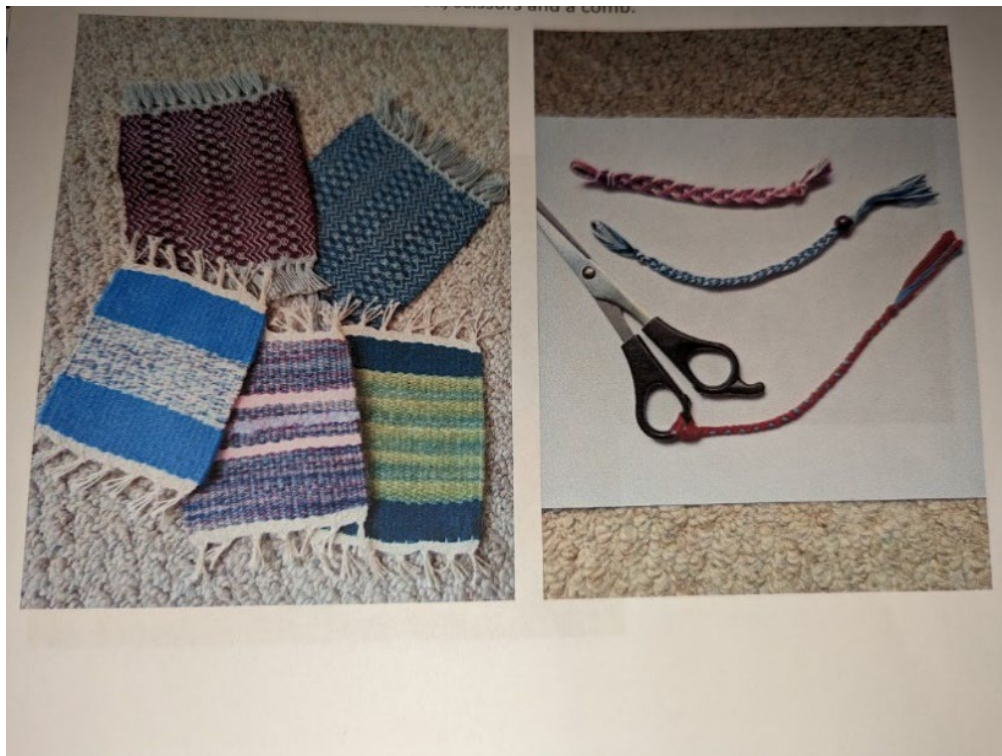
Class Fee: \$42.00 + Material Fee: \$14.00 + Canal : \$8.00 = \$64.00

Skill Level: Beginner

Class size: Minimum 2, maximum 4

Location: Loom House

Participants bring pencil and notebook, scissors and a comb.



Coopering Bucket

Learn a historic skill to make a wooden bucket using historic tools and methods. Learn what old tools are still available today and make some that aren't. Students should feel comfortable using hand tools and will be learning to make staves, bottom hoops and rope handles. This a 2-day class.

Friday and Saturday May 17, 18

9:00 – 5:00 with 1 hour lunch (bring your own lunch)

Instructor Peter Cooper. Peter has been coopering since 1997. He has taught coopering to over 500 students, and made coopered products for National historic sites, national parks and theme parks in the US and Canada.

Class Fee: \$165.00 + Material Fee: \$35.00 + Canal: \$ 33.00 = \$ 233.00

Skill Level: Beginner (students 14-18 are allowed if accompanied by an adult)

Class size: Minimum 2, maximum 5

Location: Cooper Shop

Optional tool list will be provided after registration.



Broom Making

Learn to make a Hearth broom - You will learn the basics of hand tying a broom. We should make a broom with a handle during class.

Saturday May 18

9:00 – 1:00

Instructor Bev Larson. In 2009 Bev added broom making to her weaving experience and it too is now a passion. In 2016 she received the honor of being named an Indiana Artisan by the State of Indiana for both broom making and basket weaving.

Class Fee: \$66.00, includes materials

Skill Level: Beginner, age 16 – adult

Class size: Minimum 4?, maximum 8

Location: Broom Maker Shop or wherever it is warm enough that day

Participants bring – nothing



Wool Felting

Make a needle felted cardinal (Indiana state bird) approximately 6" long. The cardinal can be used as an ornament or a free standing bird

Saturday May 18

9:00 – 1:00

Instructor Karen Bradshaw. About 20 years ago at a fiber fest Karen got instructions for wool felting and has enjoyed creating different items ever since. She has many items on her Christmas tree; and often needle felts on road trips.

Class Fee: \$42.00 + Material Fee: \$12.00 + Canal: \$8.00 = \$62.00

Skill Level: Beginner

Class size: Minimum 2, maximum 8

Location: Bowen Cabin



Spinning

Students will learn to spin using both a drop spindle and foot-powered spinning wheel, and spin wool. A drop spindle and extra wool will be taken home for continued practice.

Saturday May 18 (If another class is needed,May 22)

9:00 – 1:00

Instructor: Beth Cripe.

Class Fee: \$60.00, includes materials

Skill Level: Beginner, age limit 12 and older

Class Size: Minimum 1, maximum 4

Location: Kuns Cabin with lamps, if needed



Basket Making

Learn to make a Hen Basket, melon shape going up into the handle.

Thursday May 23

9:00 – 3:00 with 1 hour lunch (bring your own lunch)

Instructor Bev Larson. Bev has been weaving since 1988 and teaching since 1999. She loves to share her joy of basket weaving. She has taught in many states and in the Caribbean on basket-making cruises. Her goal is to make basket weaving fun, relaxing and inspiring. In 2003 she won the Eiteljorg Museum Weavers Challenge.

Class Fee: \$72.00, includes materials

Skill Level: Beginner, age 16 – adult

Class size: Minimum 4?, maximum 10

Location: Picnic Shelter or wherever it is warm enough that day

Participants bring old towel.



Pine Needle Bowl

Students will make a bowl approx 9" dia x 2"h out of Long Leaf Pine Needles to take home. Great as a decoration or to hold a treasure.

Wednesday, May 29, 2024

9:00 – 12:30 pm

Instructor Linda Cooper started making pine needle and straw bowls, baskets and more about 15 years ago. She has demonstrated crafts at the Indiana State Fair, Feast of the Hunter's Moon, Wabash and Erie Canal Paper Makers' Shop and at many festivals in the Midwest.

Class fee: \$42.00 + Material fee: \$15.00 + Canal: \$8.00 = \$65.00

Skill Level: Beginner

Class size: Minimum 2, Maximum 5

Location: Paper Maker's shop

Participants bring: small scissors, 1-2 old hand towels



Hand Quilting

Learn the basics of cutting fabric pieces, sewing those pieces back together to form a block, putting a border on the block, putting three layers of a quilt together, and quilting those three layers, then putting together a small pillow. OR make an 1850's sunbonnet with quilted brim.

Saturday June 1

9:00 – 5:00 with 1 hour lunch (bring your own lunch)

Becky Crabb was inspired to quilt as a child while watching her grandmothers quilt. After teaching herself the basics, she joined a group of older women quilters in Florida in the early 1970s. She taught basic hand quilting in adult education many years as well as occasional classes at libraries and quilt stores.

Class Fee: \$42.00 + Material fee: \$15.00 + Canal: \$8.00 = \$65.00

When register: indicate whether making a pillow or sunbonnet.

Skill Level: Beginning, age limit 14 unless special permission.

Class size: Minimum 3, maximum 10

Location: Fouts House, or if too many and if room available, in Interpretive Center

Participants bring fabric scissors, heavy thimble that fits middle finger, pencil.



To register, visit our website (wabashanderiecanal.org/classes) or mail this form to: *Wabash & Erie Canal Park, 1030 N Washington Street, Delphi, IN 46923.*

Each student needs to fill out a form. Please fully complete the form.

- **Registration and payment are required at least two weeks prior** to the class dates.

-All classes require pre-registration and pre-payment, including materials fee. A fee will be charged for returned checks.

-We reserved the right to cancel classes if minimum registrations are not met. If we cancel a class, students can transfer without a penalty. A full refund (minus credit card fees) will be given to students who do not wish to transfer to another class.

- Students may cancel or transfer classes up to two weeks prior to a class without losing their payment (minus credit card fees). **Deadline to register** is two weeks prior to class.

-If a student transfers to another class prior to the two weeks of class, a 20% transfer fee will be charged. The transfer must be for a class within one year of the original class.

Method of Payment:

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How would you like to receive your confirmation: email _____ regular mail _____

Class Name	Date	Class Cost
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Please list classes you would like to see offered:

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