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Summer 2005

Summer is here!!! Poolside knitting here we come!!! Now is the perfect opportunity to get a jump start on those cool weather projects. Or perhaps you'd like to take things easy and whip up an airy poncho or summer shawl. Whatever your goal, we'd be happy to help you with your summertime selections.

**CLASSES (10% off all class fees in July and August!)**

We have the old favorites as well as some terrific new ideas. New this summer, we are offering full-day multi-class "bootcamps" in conjunction with our neighbors at Bead Heaven. See enclosed class schedule.

**LATE THURSDAYS FROM 7-9 P.M.**

Our Thursday schedule is as follows:

**Charity Knit Nights – 6/23, 7/28, 8/25, and 9/22 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

Bring a skein to donate and/or use yarn and patterns provided by Knitche to make handmade items for those less fortunate. Items will be given to Heartland Alliance, a group assisting needy Chicagoans, and local hospitals serving cancer patients and premature infants.

**Open Knitting Clinic – 6/16, 7/7, 7/21, 8/4, 8/18, 9/1 and 9/15 from 7:00-9:00 p.m., \$5 per person**

Don't dial "911," just stop by for some advice on your latest knitting dilemma.

**Teen Knitting Club – 6/16, 7/7 and 7/21 from 2:30-3:30 p.m., free**

Those in the hip crowd (that's 12-18 only please) are welcome to drop by for informal instruction, gossip and maybe a few "purls" of wisdom from the elders.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Maggie's coming back! We had such a great time with **Maggie Jackson**, knitwear designer extraordinaire from Ireland, last year that we've asked her to come back again this Fall. Mark your calendars (September 28-30) and check with us regarding sign-up for special master classes, a fashion show and dinner!

**Stitches Midwest** is in the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont this year, August 11-14. Knitche will have its very own booth at the Market so be sure to stop by and see us! If you would like more information about the classes and services offered at this fantastic fiber fest, log onto XR's website, [www.knittinguniverse.com](http://www.knittinguniverse.com) or pick up a brochure at the store.

The **Downers Grove Heritage Festival** runs June 24-26. Knitche will be open during its normal business hours.

Thank you for a wonderful first year! We will be celebrating our **one year anniversary** the week of July 11. Stop in for some birthday surprises!

Downtown **Downers Grove Sidewalk sales** will be July 21-24. Brave the heat and stop by for some real bargains. Cool off with a delicious ginger plum or crimson red iced tea from Intelligentsia, now being brewed regularly here at the store.

**OUR STORE HOURS**

Monday	9-4	Thursday	9-7
Tuesday	9-4	Friday	9-4
Wednesday	9-4	Saturday	9-4
Sunday	12-4		



## Class Offerings

**Beginning Knitting:** Learn the basics of cast-on, knit, and bind-off in this beginner class with fun projects to complete. We offer two classes – one for kids (8 – 12 years) and one for adults (13 and up). No experience necessary.

Adult class: \$35 plus materials\* for 2 sessions

Sat 7/16 & 7/23 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Mon 8/15 & 8/22 9:15-10:45 a.m.

Wed 9/14 & 9/21 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Kids' class: \$30 plus materials\* for 2 sessions

Sun 7/10 & 7/17 12:15-1:30 p.m.

Sat 8/20 & 8/27 2:00-3:15 p.m.

Sat 9/17 & 9/24 9:15-10:30 a.m.

**Knitting 201:** The next step. Learn purling, increasing, decreasing, and pattern reading as you create a terrific scarf/shawl in beautiful ribbon yarn. Pre-requisite: Beginning Knitting or its equivalent. 2 sessions, \$39 plus materials\*.

Tues 7/12 & 7/19 9:30-11:00 a.m.    Mon 8/15 & 8/22 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.    Mon 9/19 & 9/26 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**Top-Down T:** This class is the warm weather version of our popular Top-Down sweater and is the perfect way to practice pattern-reading, circular knitting, and shaping on a quick-knit project. The end product is a fantastic summer tank in a luscious cotton blend yarn, sized for both women and girls. Pre-requisite: Knit, Purl, Cast-on, Bind-off. 2 sessions. \$35 plus materials\*.

Mon 7/11 & 7/18 9:30-11:00 a.m.    Tues 8/9 & 8/16 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**Beginning Crochet:** We'll explore the basic stitches used to crochet and make a useful facecloth in colorful cotton. Ages 13 and up please. No experience necessary. 1 session, \$25 plus materials\*.

Sat 7/9 9:15-11:15 a.m.

Thur 8/4 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Tues 9/13 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Flower Cap:** You've seen them before, probably in fancy children's boutiques. These adorable crocheted caps for babies or toddlers make the perfect gift. Pre-requisite: Beginning Crochet or its equivalent. 2 sessions. \$38 plus materials.

Sat 7/9 & 7/16 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Wed 8/3 & 8/10 6:00-7:30 p.m.

**Fantastic Flowers:** Flowers are showing up everywhere, as embellishments on hand knit or ready-made garments, on headbands, hat brims or even adorning a purse. We'll learn a few fun techniques that you can use to build your own bouquet. Pre-requisite: Knit, Purl, Cast-on, Bind-off. 1 session. \$20 plus materials\*.

Thur 7/21 9:00-10:30 a.m.

**Knitted Market Bag:** New and improved by our very own Mary, this bag is perfect to tote home all the goods from the summer Farmers Market. Made from 100% linen in your choice of juicy colors. Pre-requisite: Knit Purl, Cast-on, Bind-off. 2 sessions. \$35 plus materials\*.

Thur 7/21 & 7/28 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**Garden Hat:** Beautiful enough to display on the wall, yet practical in its intended function, Karen's creation made from 100% linen and a hand-dyed silk ribbon will be a lovely addition to your knitting repertoire. Pre-requisite: Knit, Purl, Cast-on, Bind-off. 3 sessions. \$57 plus materials\*.

Fri 7/8, 7/15 and 7/22 10:00-11:30 a.m.

**Felted Mittens:** We know, mittens are not the first thing on your mind in the middle of summer. But think of how well prepared you'll be come the Holiday season when you have a few of these whipped up just waiting to be graciously doled out. The base of the mitt is felted, yet a rib-knitted cuff added after felting insures a snug fit. Pre-requisite: Knit, Purl, Cast-on, Bind-off. 2 sessions. \$35 plus materials\*.

Thur 9/15 & 9/22 9:00-10:30 a.m.

**Ultra-Fab Afghan/Poncho:** Based on the success of our ever-popular Ultra-Fab Poncho (a.k.a. UFP) class, we decided to expand the Ultra-Fab family to include an afghan! In this class, you can choose to create either a poncho or an afghan, utilizing the same basic techniques. Either way, your work will be a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Pre-requisite: Beginning Knitting or its equivalent. 5 sessions. \$60 plus materials\*.

Thur 9/15, 9/22, 10/6, 10/13 and 10/20 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Knit Blocks:** Did you ever want to try out different stitch patterns, but weren't willing to commit to an entire sweater? In this ongoing class (you can drop in and out), we'll experiment with cables, seeds, lace, colorwork, and more as we create individual knitted blocks. The blocks can be joined to create an afghan, pillow, table runner, scarf, etc. Another terrific idea is to get a group of friends together who will each contribute a square or two to a joint gift (baby shower? retirement? graduation?). Pre-requisite: Knit, Purl, Cast-on, Bind-off. \$12 per session plus materials\*.

Tues 9/6, 9/20, 10/4, 10/18 (ongoing) 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

**Craft Bootcamps:** Drop and give me 50, stitches that is.... If you've got a few hours, we'll get you in shape for a craft-filled summer. Join us in these age-grouped full-day sessions for some knitting, crocheting and beading fun. We'll start with knitting instruction, followed by a beading session next door at Bead Heaven, break for lunch (included) and end back at Knitche for a crochet wrap-up. With any luck, you'll be able to wear your project incorporating all three techniques home! Pre-requisite: none (well, maybe endurance would help!). 1 session. \$62 plus materials\*.

Adults (ages 18 and up) Wed 8/17 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.      Teens (ages 12-17) Sat 8/6 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Kids (ages 9-12) Thur 7/14 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**Beaded Knitting:** Let Karen introduce you to the delicate and beautiful world of beaded knitting as you begin a beaded shawl or scarf with lace-weight yarn. You will learn a hooked beading technique that avoids having to pre-string beads (please bring a tube of size 6 seed beads to class). Participants need to know basic knitting skills including cast-on, bind-off, knit and purl. 2 sessions, \$38 plus materials\*.

Wed 7/6 & 7/13 9:30-11:00 a.m.

**Lace Knitting:** Learn how to read charted lace patterns and execute beautiful stitching with Karen, our resident lace expert. ). Participants need to know basic knitting skills including cast-on, bind-off, knit and purl. 2 sessions, \$38 plus materials\*.

Mon 8/1 & 8/8 9:30-11:00 a.m.

**Felted Purse:** Felted purses are hot, no matter what the season! We'll knit in the round to create a small, handled bag. Pre-requisite: Beginning Knitting or its equivalent. 2 sessions. \$39 plus materials\*.

Wed 7/20 & 7/27 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Tues 9/20 & 9/27 1:00-2:30 p.m.

**Private Lessons** are available at \$20/hour. This is a great way to get some personal attention on a particular project. 15% discount offered for second and subsequent participants in the lesson. Inquire at the shop to arrange a mutually agreeable time.

**\*General class information:**

*Call the store (630-852-KNIT) or stop by to register at least one week prior to class start date. We reserve the right to limit class size to optimize the experience. If a class is full, you may ask to be placed on the waiting list, or sign up for a future class. Payment must be received at the time of registration and cannot be refunded on or after the start date.*

*Participation in a Knitche class entitles you to a **10% discount** on the purchase of yarn and notions associated with enrollment in the class. Use of yarn purchased at Knitche will insure class consistency. When you register we can provide you with a list of accessory supplies needed.*

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