

WOOLGATHERINGS FROM AYLIN

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Upcoming Events:

FALL SALE

Sep 8 - 22

15% off yarns

(Except new arrivals)

EXTRA ADDED SAVINGS

In our Sales Nook

HANNE FALKENBERG

Trunk Show

Sep 7- 17th

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NICKY EPSTEIN

Trunk Show

Nov 1 - 5

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VITTADINI

Trunk Show

Nov 8 - 20

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Dear Friends,

I would like to start by thanking all of you, our wonderful customers for your patience and perseverance during our second year of construction. It is really disorienting to be confronted with changes, shifts and upheaval, and we are still not finished. The last phase of construction is for the Giant supermarket and since they finally started on that we are keeping all our fingers crossed for a speedy conclusion.

Yarns that I have seen and ordered for this Fall are simply beautiful, classy and elegant. They feature wonderful fibers and will be a pleasure to work on and to wear. They will start marching in the store soon and will be here to entice and inspire you.

We are beginning the Fall season with many exciting classes and workshops. Margaret Fisher, one of our well known national teacher/designers who hails from this area will be teaching a workshop at Aylin's on Nov 3rd. Our very own teachers Debra Lee and Karen Klemp, just like Margaret, are very popular national teachers and published designers and they are offering special workshops at our store. Our regular knitting and crocheting classes are also back and filling up very fast.

We have also arranged for three exciting Trunk Shows: Hanne Falkenberg, Nicky Epstein's felting, and Adrienne Vittadini Trunk Shows will round out the new Fall season. Come soon, come often, enjoy and get inspired.

Aylin

WORKSHOPS AT AYLIN'S

MARGARET FISHER

7 Things that "Make or Break" a Sweater: Sat, Nov 3. 10a-1p

Smallest details can have a huge impact in the outcome of a knitting project—increases in ribbing, slanting decreases, invisible increases, perfect buttonholes, flat edges, blocking all figure in how your finished garment will look. This class will teach you the correct way of doing the important things, give you lots of tips.
\$ 50.00/student

Mosaics: Sat, Nov 3. 2p – 5p

Create beautiful two-color designs with mosaic knitting. Learn how to read their special charting system, to read the patterns in stockinette and garter stitches. Explore a number of wonderful mosaic patterns to create special garments.
\$ 50.00/student

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ANNA ZILBOORG'S latest patterns only at Aylin's Woolgatherer

Renown designer and teacher Anna Zilboorg has given permission to Aylin to publish two of her beautiful patterns only available at Aylin's Woolgatherer, with the purchase of yarn. These lovely garments will become cherished additions to your wardrobe to wear and enjoy for years to come. Come and see the models (Anna's own sweaters) and make your own selections from our suggested yarns.

NEW YARNS FOR SPRING/SUMMER of 2007

By Elaine Cook

To the list of many fabulous yarns that we have in our regular stock, we proudly add the following:

ARTFUL YARNS: Old Western;

BERROCO: Jasper, Peruvia; Pure Merino Nuance, Ultra Alpaca Light;

CRYSTAL PALACE: Maizy, Merino 5;

FEZA: Fiona;

LOUET: Gems Sport Merino;

MISTY MOUNTAIN FARM: Jubilee;

PLYMOUTH: Alpaca Grande, Boku, Royal Silk Merino, Royal Llama Silk,
King George, Yardley, Buckingham;

REYNOLDS: Cottontail, Playtime;

SHIBUI YARNS: Baby Alpaca DK, Sock;

TILLI TOMAS: Plie (silk sportweight), Voile de la Mer (Silk & sea kelp fiber!);

TRENDSETTER YARNS: Cashwool (an old favorite coming back);

VITTADINI: Lisa.

BOOKS - INSPIRATION STATION

We try to offer as many new books as possible, and would welcome hearing about books that we might have missed in our ordering process.

ANOTHER NEW ITEM – A GREAT ADDITION

A great line of clear vinyl bags of various shapes and sizes for your projects. All with our own logo on them.

Special **ANNA ZILBOORG** designs are exclusively at Aylin's Woolgatherer. Anna and Aylin are collaborating in publishing two of Anna's patterns that have never been published before. These lovely patterns are yours when you purchase the appropriate yarns of your choice to make the garments. A portion of the proceeds from these sales will be given to Anna's special charity: CPT (Christian Peacemakers Team).

HANNE FALKENBERG Trunk Show - Sept 8 – 17: Come and see all the fabulous Hanne Falkenberg kits The Swedish Yarn Co will be sending our way. The models are spectacularly amazing in their timeless styles and color selections that magically look great on all body shapes and sizes.

NICKY EPSTEIN'S Trunk Show - Nov 1 - 5: Enjoy all the items that we will have at the shop from Nicky's new book for Spring 2007: "KNITTING NEVER FELT BETTER". Have you joined the thousands yet and tasted the fun of felting? It is the latest craze and can be applied to so many items that you can create like garments, accessories, or household items.

ADRIANNE VITTADINI Trunk Show - Nov 8 – 20: We will bring you the new 2007/2008 Fall and Winter Collection from the house of Vittadini, which echoes her classically masterful designs in her new book.

Workshops cont'd

DEBRA LEE:

Sock Anatomy: Sunday, Oct 28. 1 – 5 pm \$ 60.00/student

Want to knit socks but can't figure out the instructions or their construction? In this workshop, you will make a mini-sock using double-pointed needles to learn the skills to make a pair or basic socks. Call the store to enroll and find out about supplies and homework.

Prerequisite: Must know how to cast on/off, knit, purl, increase, decrease and pick up stitches.

No –Holes Neckline: Friday, Dec 14. 2 – 4 pm \$30.00/student

Tired of being SO careful when picking up stitches only to see holes after you've finished a neckband? You will learn how to pick up stitches for a clean neckline and what you can do if a hole does appear. Call the shop to enroll and find out about supplies and homework.

Prerequisite: Must know how to cast on/off, knit, purl, increase, decrease and pick up stitches.

KAREN KLEMP:

Crochet Lite: Saturday, Oct 13. 9 am – noon \$50.00/student

Learn how to substitute lighter-weight yarns to make crocheted garments that are lighter and softer, more comfortable to wear. We will discuss methods of minimizing the amount of yarn you use to be cost effective. Call the shop to enroll and find out about supplies and homework.

Crochet Flowers: Saturday, Oct 13. 1 – 4 pm \$50.00/student

This is a "just-for-fun" class. Learn how to make a garden of crocheted flowers that can embellish sweaters, skirts, hats, bags, scarves, or home décor items. Turn them into brooches, or arrange them in a vase. Must have basic knowledge of crochet stitches. Call the shop to enroll and find out about supplies and homework.

Crocheted Cuffs and Wrist Warmers: Saturday, Oct 27. 9 am – noon \$50.00/student

They are all the craze! Movie stars and celebrities wear them, they are in all magazines and now you can make these gorgeous cuffs/pulse warmers/mini sleeves for yourself and for some special holiday gifts. Rib, mesh, ruffle or cable them. Make them short as bracelets, long as sleeves. They are quick to make and fun to wear. Must know basic crochet stitches. Karen will call students with material requirements.

Painted Crochet Shawl: Saturday, Oct 27. 1 – 4 pm \$50.00/student

See how easy it is to "paint" a crocheted shawl, using a lot of different patterns. Karen will show you how to select yarns that will create your personal palette and turn you into a fiber artist. Call the shop to enroll and find out about supplies and homework.

CLAIRE WUDOWSKY:

Crochet Felting Workshop – Saturday, Nov 10 – 1 pm to 4 pm -- \$45.00/student

Felting is totally HOT. In this workshop, you'll learn to use swatches to demystify the felting process. We'll start with a basic crochet pattern for a felted purse, designed by Claire – then each student will design their own unique purse using stripes, color work and textured stitches.

CHECK THIS OUT!

Aylin's new additional
Travel website:

www.aylinstravel.com

Visit us to learn more about
Aylin's costumed tours
To Turkey
Discovering
Arts & History
Along the Biblical Trail
And much more...

Registering for Classes & Workshops:

Please remember that you must pay
in advance to sign up for any of the
classes and workshops that we offer.

Stop by or call the store at
703-573-1900 with your credit card
information to enroll.

We regret that there are no refunds
or make ups for missed classes.

STORE HOURS:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri & Sat:
10 am – 5:30 pm

Thursdays: 10 am – 8:30 pm

Closed Sundays

KNIT AND CROCHET CLASSES

By Rema Lisenby

KNITTING CLASSES

Knit Along - Debra Lee

Saturdays 11 am – 1 pm

Sept 8, 15, 22, 19; Oct 6, 20, 27; Nov 3, 10, 17;

Dec 1, 15.

Bring your own project

\$20 per 2-hr session

Knitting from Patterns

Debra Lee

Saturdays 1 – 3 pm

Sept 8, 15, 22, 29;

Oct 6, 20, 27, Nov 3;

Nov 10, 17, Dec 1, 15.

\$80/4 sessions;

Knitting for Beginners

Debra Lee

Saturdays 3 – 5 pm

Sept 8, 15, 22, 19;

Oct 6, 20, 27, Nov 3;

Nov 10, 17, Dec 1, 15.

Knitting Camp - *Must call ahead to sign up*

Aylin Bener-\$20/class

Mondays 10 am–noon

Thursdays 6:30–8:30 pm

Beginning/Inter-mediate Knitting

Harriet Twigg

Tuesdays 10:30–noon

Sept 11–Oct 16;

Oct 23–Dec 4 (no class

On Nov 6)

\$90 for 6 sessions

CROCHET CLASSES

Drop-In Crochet

Claire Wudowsky

Thurs 6:30–8:30 pm

8/23, 8/30; 9/6, 9/27;

10/4, 10/25; 11/1, 11/29;

12/6, 12/27. \$20/student

Beginning/Intermediate Crochet

Karen Klemp

Tuesdays 2:30–4:30 pm

Or, 6 – 8 pm

Aug 7 – Sept 11;

Sept 18 – Oct 30 (no class on Oct 23)

Nov 6 – Dec 11.

\$90/session of 6 classes.

Private lessons may be arranged for a fee of

\$35.00/hour. Please call the store to set up.

CHARITY KNITTING & CROCHETING AT AYLIN'S - by Claire Wudowsky

Join Knitters & Crocheters Care for charity knitting & crocheting at Aylin's Woolgatherer on the 3rd Thursday of every month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Grab your hooks or needles and join us as we stitch for charity – either your favorite charity or one of the featured charities listed below:

TAPS – Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (support network for the families of those who died in service to America. We are collecting knit/crocheted stuffed animals and memory pillows. (<http://www.TAPS.org>)

ALTERNATIVE HOUSE - Provides support to at-risk children, youth and families, crisis intervention and neighborhood outreach. We are collecting baby/toddler clothes, hats, scarves, hats, gloves/mittens for ages 1-18. (<http://www.thealternativehouse.org>)

FOOD AND FRIENDS – Provides meal delivery to clients with life-challenging illnesses. We are collecting scarves, wool/cotton potholders. (<http://www.foodandfriends.org>).

ORPHAN FOUNDATION OF AMERICA – Helps youths who age out of the foster care system, helps finance a college education and support services during their college years. (<http://www.orphan.org>).

Join us at Aylin's on August 16, September 20, October 18, November 15 and December 20. Hope to see you. If you cannot join us, you can still drop off your finished items at the shop and we'll deliver them