

Candy Barnes

Candy comes to us from Shepherdstown, West Virginia. She has been teaching for nearly 10 years and travels with her husband in their motorhome to about 8 conventions a year. He is her woodworker and together they have won numerous blue ribbons at their county fair. She likes to add color and patterns for accents in her baskets. Her offerings this year include some cherry bases and rims as well some poplar rim and bases. You will notice she makes many nantucket baskets.

Nancy Binkowski

Nancy is from our great state of Michigan, Marshall, MI to be exact. She is a broom maker who got her start at Tillers International in 2014. She teaches online classes for John C Campbell Folk School and as an assistant at in person classes. She now teaches at Tillers International as well as multiple fiber festivals and other events. She has made a historically accurate broom for use at Ft. Ticonderoga in NY. Check her out at wildercreekworkshop.com

Anne Bowers

Anne travels to teach us from West Virginia though she was born in Toronto, Canada. She has been teaching for over 30 years. She started out using only books from a library to teach herself to weave. With 40 plus years of weaving she says, "Basket weaving was a bug that bit and I can't let it go!" She has written the book "Ribbed Basketry—Traditional to Contemporary" She is very involved in the NBO and travels across the country and internationally to teach and learn more about basketry. Anne is well known to many AMB members.

Char Ciammaichella

Char has been teaching for over 20 years. She now is living in Florida but her roots are in Ohio where she taught at several local events and historical events. She switched over to pineneedle coiling and silversmithing about 10 years ago. The highlight of her career as a weaver was teaching a class of blind fourth graders to weave. She is on Facebook as Char's Weavings. Char has classes in both pine needle coiling and silversmithing this year as well.

Terri Feutz

Terri has been teaching for over 25 years in Wisconsin. Her husband creates beautiful bases that she uses in her teaching. Since retiring she is reaching out to more national conventions. She has a special spot in her heart for teaching basketry to kids. It all started with a simple class at a local craft store. She was hooked. Check her out at Handcraftbasketry.com

Diane Hamelic

Diane is a retired middle school teacher from Medina, Ohio who has been weaving for over 30 some years. She created her own business DHCreatations, LCC in 2025 and

began traveling and teaching at conventions/seminars. She states “I love getting into the “basket zone” when I’m designing and creating.” Her baskets offerings this year have varied colors, shapes and skill levels.

Gina Kieft

Gina is from Rothbury, Michigan and has written over 300 patterns. She has had her works published in two magazines and has won several awards in convention exhibits rooms. She is well known to AMB crowd and her love of twills as is her beautiful dyed reed. She has been weaving for over 30 years and owns a reed dying business. She can be reached on www.ginasbaskets.com and www.dyedreed.com

Annetta Kraayeveld

Annetta travels to our AMB convention from Helena, Montana now but was born and raised on the prairies of Alberta, Canada and spent many years in Wisconsin. She “begged a lesson, then wove everyday for three years”. She shares her knowledge on her website www.prairiewoodbasketry.com Annetta has been featured in several magazines and has written over a hundred basketry patterns. She is nationally known and has taught 1000s of students from all over the USA. She is an NBO member.

Sue Lawrence

Sue is from Kalkaska, Michigan. She has been teaching for over 35 years. She is very involved in the AMB and has co-chaired four conventions. She has attended conferences in several states. Sue started teaching at her local community education classes and then to independent groups, schools, her home basket studio and at a few out of state conventions. One time her basket guild created a tree of ornaments for a local fundraiser. How fun! She shares her knowledge of basketry to girl scouts, 4-H members, community groups and schools.

Marilyn Parr

Marilyn started weaving over 40 years ago. It was suggested that she try her hand at teaching and she loved it. She has had the wonderful opportunity to work with a couple of Amish gentlemen that have helped her put her ideas into reality. Marilyn has traveled and taught in over a dozen states and on the 2020 and 2024 Basket Weaving cruises. She says, “The friendships that have been made are such a blessing and I just wish I had started this journey earlier in life.”

Lorelea Roberts

Lorelea comes to us from Louisville, KY. She has been teaching for over 20 years. Some will know her from her YouTube channel offeringsofwonderbylorelea. She also

has a bi-monthly basket kit subscription box called the *Hoot Basket Gift Club*. She began weaving in Vermont and became a lifelong love of basketry and sharing her craft with others through teaching. Check her out on Instagram or YouTube or Facebook.

Sheri L VanDuyn

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