



LCSG/GTAL NEWS & NOTES

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A few reminders, a new workshop, Salon details, holiday celebrations and other bits and pieces to tell you about.

Mary Dupuis, President

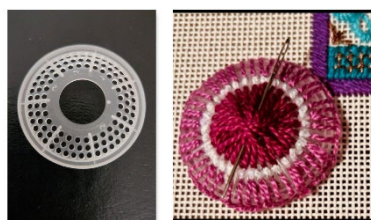
October 31 – Grant Deadline

ONE LAST REMINDER about the deadline to apply for the Guild Education Grant or the EAC / ACB Technique Study Course Grant. See [our website](#) for detailed information on the grants.

November 1 – EAC/ACB Seminar Registration

ANOTHER LAST REMINDER that registering by November 1 gives you your best chance of receiving a place in the class(es) you want at the [EAC/ACB 2024 Seminar](#).

November 2 – Registration begins for the Needle Nanny Workshop



THE NEEDLE NANNY WORKSHOP will take place on Thursday, November 30 - a fun little project using the plastic insert from Starbucks Keurig coffee pods, threads of your choice and a couple of magnets to make a colourful needle minder or fridge magnet. The workshop is only an hour and we will be offering it at 10:00 am and again at 1:30 pm to accommodate as many members as possible. Registration starts on Thursday, November 2, and ends on November 23. See Sonya or email registrar@lcs-g-tal.ca to get you name on the list. There will be a fee of **\$5 (cash only please)** collected in class on November 30 to cover the cost of the kit (printed colour instructions, 2 rare earth magnets and the plastic insert). Bring your own thread (size equal to pearl cotton #5 or larger) or use threads from the guild stash. P.S. You can also use this technique to make a small ornament, so if you use this brand of Keurig pods, save the plastic insert that is hidden below the coffee.

November 5 – Sunday Stitchers' Rendezvous

SUNDAY STITCHERS' RENDEZVOUS has recommenced. It's a fun showcase for our guild. There is still space if you would like to join us at Stewart Hall, MacLean Room, from 2:00 – 5:00. Bring something of your own to stitch. Feel free to bring something that you've already stitched to show off.

The dates for the rest of the season are December 3, January 21, February 18, March 17, and April 14. Contact Erica Hyde (514-696-1374, erica.hyde@sympatico.ca) to sign up.

November 24, 25 & 26 – Salon des Artisans

WE ARE LOOKING FOR items that contain some form of hand embroidery. Stitched cards (Christmas and general purpose) and ornaments are our bestsellers. However, if you wish to donate other stitched items, feel free!

In order to give us adequate time to price all of the items, please bring your contributions to Mary as soon as they are ready. They will be gladly accepted at any guild meeting. We would like to have the ready-to-sell **donated items** no later than **Thursday, November 16**, as we will do the **pricing on Friday, November 17, at Mary's house**.

Remember that the Salon is also an opportunity for you to sell your own embroidered **items on consignment**. You set your own price and you get the proceeds of the sale less 15% that is retained by the guild. We also ask that if you wish to consign any framed item that is more than 12 inches in any dimension, you let us know so that we can request an easel that will support it. If you are planning to offer items on consignment, please review the [guidelines](#) and the [form](#) available on our website or see Mary for the information and the form that will need to accompany your items. You will need to bring your consignment items no later than **Thursday, November 16** to CNL. Otherwise, you will have to bring your consignment items to Mary's house or make some other arrangement.

We will need **volunteers to help set up** our display tables on the **Friday, November 24 (4:00 – 6:00 pm)** and to help out at the **sales and demonstration** table on **Saturday and Sunday**. Mary has the sign-up sheet for this.

Remember, we need everyone to do their part to make this successful. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Mary (514-945-0257, marydupuis@videotron.ca) or Erica (514-696-1374, erica.hyde@sympatico.ca)

December 14 – Holiday Luncheon

SAVE THE DATE! Our festivities will once again take place in Salle 1 of CNL. There will be door prizes, 50/25/25 raffle, and festive fun galore.

Donations of cash or non-perishable food destined for the West Island Mission (wimmoi.org) food bank will be collected at the luncheon. Their food shelves are very bare these days so they will be grateful for whatever you can do to help. The five most needed items are cereal, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce, tuna and 1-litre juice (except now it's 960 ml!).

March 2024 Retreat

WE'RE STILL LOOKING FOR A VENUE for our proposed 2-day, 9:00-5:00 retreat. The venue that we had hoped to rent is for sale, so they are not taking bookings at this time. We are looking at another site, but if you know of a reasonably priced, attractive space with room for 15-20 stitchers, good light and a designated area for food, please contact Mary (514-945-0257, marydupuis@videotron.ca).

Ongoing

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR a Communications Convenor to join the executive team. If you are tired of my baroque sentences, take over the writing of this newsletter. You will have plenty of help.

EXHIBITION COMMITTEE. Two volunteers are needed to co-chair the committee that will plan and organize our next exhibition and recruit other helpers to take on the many jobs involved in staging the event.

Last but not Least

We have a new Show & Tell online album for the new season. Check it out by clicking [here](#).

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