

Edinburgh Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers

NEWSLETTER

March 2024

Welcome to the February newsletter, especially to our new members!

March meeting

> The March meeting will be on Saturday, 16th March, in the Centenary (small) room at Craiglockhart Parish Church, from 10:30 until 3:00. Member John Palmer's talk on using computer software to design weaving patterns will start at 11am.

> The Guild Secretary will give a short (less than 30 minutes) introductory presentation on the legal status of the Guild, and potential options for change, should this be the will of the membership. This will begin around 12:45.

> The Weavers' Interest group will convene at around 1:30pm.



February meeting

Member Carmen Wright delivered a fascinating talk about her research into Ise Katagami, prompted by her purchase of one hundred and twenty antique stencils. Carmen brought a huge array of objects to share with us, and explained the use and context of the stencils.

Both members and visitors were enchanted, and had lots of insightful questions.



Association News

The latest edition of the Association News is attached to the same email as this newsletter.

We would like to draw your attention in particular to the announcement regarding Summer School 2025, which will be held at Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh. Further details are to follow, but the dates to save are 3rd - 10th August, 2025.

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Summer visit

After the enthusiasm for the Scrapstore at the February meeting, the Committee proposes that the summer visit should be to the Selkirk location of Borders Scrapstore.

Please register your interest by emailing edinburghguildwsd@gmail.com or on the sign up sheet next to the register. When we have an idea of numbers, we'll make final arrangements.

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Fluff!

Member Karon Gilhooley has a source of Castlemilk Moorit fleece. If you are interested in procuring a fleece, please talk to Karon at the next meeting. If you need help identifying Karon, ask the Membership Secretary (Sam) or the Secretary (Laura).

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Contributions

The next newsletter will be distributed at the start of April. Items for inclusion can be sent at any time to edinburghguildwsd@gmail.com. Show us what you've been working on, share the name of the book or website your found really useful with everyone, tell us about really cool exhibitions or events you've been to or you've found out about!