

Teacher Bios

Cristin Berrafato – Cristin was taught to crochet when she was 10. She has been crocheting for 45 years and teaching for the past 10 years. Besides teaching, Cristin has designed and published in Crochet Magazine, Crochet World Magazine and Red Heart Yarns. She has also been a pattern tester for numerous designers. Cristin will be teaching the Cluster Cowl Project (Crochet).

Gro Coxe – “I am Norwegian, therefore I knit.” Her mother taught her to knit when she was 5, and in the third grade boys and girls made mittens and in the fourth grade socks. She has taught knitting for over 15 years in various LYS of Atlanta and since her background is psychology, she calls it “fiber therapy”. Gro will be teaching Explore Brioché and Magic Loop

Mary Holton – Mary grew up on the south side of Chicago and has been living in Marietta, GA for the last 30 years. She has been knitting since the early 1980's and from the very beginning she has had a keen interest in the knitting traditions of other countries. Although she is of the Lithuanian descent, her passion is for the knitting of Estonia. Mary will be teaching the Estonian Baby Hat.

Sandy Huff – Sandy is a teacher and designer of both knit and crochet. She considers herself fully bi-stitchual, and has been both knitting and crocheting for over 45 years. Sandy's activities include: teaching at festivals, shops and guilds; designing her own line of patterns; designing for magazines and yarn companies. She is also currently certified as a Teacher for the Craft Yarn Council Certified Instructors Program and has completed Level I of the TKGGA Master's Program for Hand Knitting. She is a past President of the North Georgia Knitting Guild. Currently she serves as the 1st Vice President of the NGKG. Her designs have appeared in Interweave Crochet, Creative Knitting, and other publications. Sandy's designs may also be seen at Red Heart Yarns and on her Ravelry page: sandraphuff. Sandy is teaching the Navajo Knitting Project class and the Cast On/Bind Off class.

Lois Mitchell – Lois is a mostly self-taught fiber enthusiast who has learned “best practices” the hard way. Beginning around age 10, she knitted, crocheted, embroidered, and sewed her way through college. After college, much of her income funded her creative quest. A true process knitter, Lois sometimes struggles to finish her projects, once she has learned the new technique. A gifted innovator, Lois can help students find a better and faster way to complete their task, so they can start something new! Lois will be teaching the Russian Join class.

Meg Stiles – Meg is one of the founding members of the Metro Atlanta Machine Knitters Club. She will be teaching a demonstration of Machine Knitting.