

Shuswap School of Carving and Arts, September 18-24, 2011

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WEAVE ONE OR TWO BEAUTIFUL & USEFUL BASKETS: \$125 for 1 class or \$195 for both

About the Instructor – BETH CRABB: Beth started weaving in 1991 at Crete, Nebraska, and learned willow weaving in Saskatchewan. She is largely self-taught, and enjoys creating her own designs. Her work in watercolour and clay influence the development of her weavings. Beth has been teaching basketry workshops for ten years in Moose Jaw, as well as at the Saskatchewan River Valley Art School in 2009, 2010 and 2011 and at the Shuswap School of Carving and Arts in 2010. Her baskets have been exhibited in Moose Jaw at Yvette Moore's Gallery, Creative Photographics, the Moose Jaw Museum and Art Gallery, and Lumsden's Letterbox Gallery. In 2007 she was selected as one of three artists to represent Moose Jaw in Ottawa, on July 1st, to celebrate Moose Jaw as one of the Cultural Capitals of Canada. Her weavings are in collections across Canada. Beth's classes are focused on fun, learning, and exploring your colour and textural choices, while developing your skills as a basket weaver.



About the Courses: This course is designed for you to learn and create, while having fun. Two 1.5-day basket weaving classes will happen over the first four days of the school. Using various widths of reed, students will learn basket weaving techniques to create and finish two baskets. They will choose from a variety of natural and hand-dyed reeds, as well as yarn to incorporate their own colour choices during the weaving.

Project One - Shaker-Style Tray basket:

You will find this basket very useful and beautiful. It measures about 11 x 16 x 5", has many options for the decorative design in the basket walls, and both handle grips are lashed for sturdiness.

Project Two - Egg Basket:

This basket was originally constructed to gather and carry eggs, so it has a distinctive "gizzard or buttock" shape to the bottom. It is round, about 10" across and 5 1/2" high, excluding the handle. You will make your colour and textural choices while weaving the basket and in the handle treatment.

Skill Level: Both classes are suitable for beginners, or those with some experience.

Tools & Supplies: All basketry materials will be supplied by the instructor. Materials cost is \$20 per basket. Students will need to bring their own tools, as follows: Plastic dishpan-type tub. Tape measure. Reed cutters, ie, pruning shears, heavy scissors. Awl or nut pick. Clothespins. Pencil. Old towel. Plastic/vinyl apron. Optional - small planer.

