

## Pure Heart – A Cross for Poland © 2016

**Class 2, Session A: Thursday 8:00-11:30 AM Part 1**  
**Class 5, Session B: Thursday 1:30 - 5:00 PM Part 2**

**Instructor/Designer:** Marian Vavra

**Instructor's Comments:** Pure Heart - A Cross for Poland was designed especially for the 8<sup>th</sup> International Straw Arts Festival, Poland. I was invited to give a workshop on July 19, 2016 at the Uniwersytet Ludowym Rzemiosla Artstycznego in Wola Sekowa. The cross is covered in natural straw appliqué with a contrasting plaited small cross. The focal point is the crimson red heart in which a tiny center heart is added. The red heart is dyed straw applied in a mosaic tile style.

**Size of Project:** 12" x 9" x ¾"

**Skill level :** Intermediate, Advanced

**Pre-requisites:** The student needs a basic understanding of straw appliqué /marquetry

**What will be taught in class** Four-straw flat plait beginning without tying in NAWW PD, refresher course on appliqué, Introduction of Marian's mosaic appliqué technique.



**What needs to be done before coming to class:** nothing

**Suggested Wheat:** Straw for appliqué such as Larned, or Turkey Red using first or second joint straw. German or French rye straw, Preflattened straw from The Straw Shop

**Straws needed:** \*25 - 30, 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> joint wheat straw approximately 8" – 12" long, natural in color, flattened for appliqué, \* 10, 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> joint red dyed straw about 6" Long, flattened for appliqué, \* 10, 18" – 20" long plaiting straws, natural in color, soaked for plaiting

**Other supplies by instructor:** \*12" brass wire for hanger, \* Heavy card or watercolor paper for the cross and heart backings, \* 9" x 12" black canvas backed-stapled and gallery wrapped for framing

**Instructors Note:** Marian will have the the watercolor paper painted yellow and the cross pattern drawn. She will have the straw preflattened which the student will finish flattening . She will have some extra tools. Marian will teach the mosaic appliqué using a rotary cutter, cutting mat and ruler. Please bring these quilting tools if you have them.

**Supplies to bring:** (Aleene's) white tacky glue, curved small scissors, flattener (bone folder, collar turner,tool, Hindenburg), Burnishing tool (small rolling pin), rotary cutter, mat, and rulers as for quilting

**Materials Kit: Cost:** \$20 Phone No. (316) 776 - 0661 email: [mbvavra@powwwer.net](mailto:mbvavra@powwwer.net)

**Kits are required if offered. Includes \* items above.**