Weaving Out West

National Association of Wheat Weavers Convention

April 23-26, 2025 Sisters, Oregon



Convention Registration Packet

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Registration Information

Policies

Registration

• To register for the convention and participate in classes, you must be a member of the National Association of Wheat Weavers. If you are not currently a member, you may pay your dues online <u>www.nawwstraw.org</u>, or mail payment to:

Angi Harlan, Treasurer, 25415 W 87th St. S., Viola, KS 67149-9000

- To register spouses and guests, use the mini-registration line on the registration form to obtain a badge needed for meals and other convention activities.
- All members, spouses, and guests will receive a name badge when arriving at the convention, which everyone will need to wear for all convention activities.
- Full registration includes the 2025 Convention Workbook, which contains instructions for all classes.
- **Registration due dates**: Registration must be postmarked by March 15, 2025. Late registration fee applies for registrations postmarked after that date. Registrations received after that date will be enrolled in your choice of classes as available.
- **Refunds**: Refunds will be considered for emergency reasons.
- **Cancellation Requests**: Cancellation requests must be received in writing, via mail or email to Rita Weber, PO Box 490, Sisters, OR 97759, wheatweaver12@gmail.com
- **Class Confirmations:** Class confirmations will be sent to you by email. To receive confirmation by postal mail, enclose a #10 self-addressed stamped envelope with your registration.

In-person Classes

- Classes are only for those who have enrolled and paid the class fee. To maintain order in the classrooms for teachers and students, **no drop-ins or floating between classes will be allowed.**
- NAWW reserves the right to cancel a class due to unforeseeable circumstances.

Zoom Classes

- Members who attend via Zoom will pay the standard registration fee, which includes the 2025 Convention Workbook.
- Members will have the option of PDF Workbook or print.
- Shipping charges for Convention Workbook:
 - PDF None
 - Print USA \$5.00 media mail
 - Print International. Contact Becky Straub (wheatart52@cox.net) to obtain **actual** shipping costs. The most cost-effective **estimate** as of 31 January 2025 is \$29.15 USD for First Class International going to United Kingdom.
- The standard class fee of \$25.00 for a 3¹/₂ hour class also applies.
- For those attending in Sisters, we plan to have monitors to watch in the classroom.

If the Zoom connection fails, class fees will be reimbursed to those who signed up to attend via Zoom.

Zoom Classes Continued

- Indicate on the registration form if plan to:
 - ____ attend on site
 - ____attend via Zoom
 - ____watch via Zoom later
- If a class kit is available for a Zoom class, contact the teacher prior to the convention to obtain a kit. Participants will be responsible for postage necessary to mail the kit.
- Recordings of Zoom classes will available on-line as soon as possible. Students will have 30 days to view the recording once it has been uploaded to the website. Notification will be sent to each participant who has paid for a Zoom class.

Class Materials/Kits

- **Project Materials**: Class fees do not include wheat or other materials. Please see the individual class listings for information about supplies each participant needs to bring.
- **Class Supply Kits**: If a class has a supply kit each student is required to purchase the kit.
- Class Supply Kit Fees: Kit fees are paid to the teacher at the beginning of the class. Please have the exact amount.

Camera Use

• Camera use is by permission only. Please ask the artists and instructors before taking pictures during class and at the *Explore the Art of Wheat* event. (NAWW policy since 2015)

Special Activities

- To participate in the Favor Exchange, bring an unwrapped straw favor made by you, with your name attached.
- Straw Bling is encouraged! Wear yours any time during convention classes, events, and meals.

Registration Instructions

Complete Registration forms as appropriate:

- Convention Registration
- Class Registration
- Tour Registration
- Airport Transportation Request Form

Send one check or money order (US dollars) payable to NAWW, along with the forms to:

NAWW Registration Leanne Fredrick 209 Majors Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060 831-359-1209 <u>leanne@hattin-around.com</u>

Weaving Out West April 23-26, 2025 Hotel Information

The Best Western Ponderosa Lodge is the host hotel for the 2025 National Association of Wheat Weavers Convention. The hotel is located at: 790 W. Barclay Drive, Sisters, OR. The Ponderosa Lodge has no elevators, so please request a ground floor if stairs pose a problem.

The hotel offers NAWW members a rate of \$159 for double queen, and \$169 for standard king, plus prevailing city, county, and state taxes. These non-smoking rooms have a chair or couch, microwave and refrigerator. The Aspen Suite, with a king bed, queen sofa bed, jacuzzi, refrigerator, microwave, and fireplace is \$209 per night. The Ponderosa Suite has a separate bedroom from the living space, and is \$219 per night. Breakfast is provided by the hotel each morning. Members are responsible for making their own reservations and paying for their own expenses.

Transportation: See information contained on the Airport Transportation Request Form for transportation from the airport in Redmond, OR (RDM) to Sisters.

Room Reservations

Individual Call-In: 1-(800) 780-7234 and reference the "Weaving Out West" group. Deadline to book rooms at the group rate is **March 22, 2025.**

Individual Online: Use this booking link: <u>https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.38103.html?groupId=7M7LR6U4</u>

Cancellations: Individual reservations must be cancelled at least 48 hours in advance. Otherwise one night of lodging and tax will be charged to the credit card on file. A confirmed guest who fails to arrive on their scheduled arrival date will be considered a "no show", charged one night of lodging with tax and their entire reservation will be cancelled.

Check-In: The Ponderosa Lodge requires a valid payment card and photo ID to be presented at check in.

- Check In Time: 4:00 p.m.
- Check Out Time: 11:00 a.m.
- Arrangements may be made for baggage storage with the Hotel's front desk staff.

Cutoff Date: Reservations by Group attendees must be received on or before **March 22, 2025**. Reservations received after the Cutoff Date will be confirmed on a space-available basis at prevailing rates.

Important Things to Know

- This is a non-smoking facility.
- Breakfast is provided each morning. NAWW will be allowed to use the "breakfast" room as a Hospitality room after 11:00 am each day. Lunch items will be available on a donation basis.

Amenities

Group room rates include the following amenities for overnight guests:

Free hot breakfast – Served daily from 6-9:30 a.m. weekdays and 7-10 a.m. on weekends.

Free Wi-Fi throughout the property.

On-Site Facilities – Take a stroll around the property and make friends with the rescued alpacas. The swimming pool will be closed during the winter season.

Guest Parking – Complimentary overnight parking for our NAWW members.

In-Room: refrigerators, microwaves, and a flat panel television. Some rooms have fireplaces, jacuzzi tubs, and separate bedroom spaces.

Food / Meals

Breakfast

Free hot breakfast - Served daily from 6-9:30 a.m. weekdays and 7-10 a.m. on weekends.

Lunch

Lunch items will be provided in the Hospitality room (same room as breakfast). Donations will be accepted for lunch and snack items.

Evening Meals

Wednesday:	On your own. ("Explore the Art of Wheat" event will be 4:30-7:00 in the Ponderosa Meeting Room. Food may be brought into the event.)
Thursday:	No host group dinner at Takoda's Restaurant and Lounge at 6:00. Takoda's is walking distance from the hotel.
Friday:	Western BBQ hosted at the Weber's property. BBQ hamburgers, hot dogs, and chicken. Also included: salads, chips, and assorted desserts. \$10
Saturday:	Pecan Smoked BBQ beef brisket, macaroni and cheese, ranch beans, dinner roll, green salad, and dessert. \$26

Tour Information

Wednesday, April 23

Lava Lands Volcanic Site / Museum Tour:

Cost: \$14, payable to Garry Weber, morning of tour

8:00 am	Depart Sisters West Western Ponderosa Lodge		
8:50	Arrive and View Peter Skene Ogden State Scenic Viewpoint, Terrabonne, OR		
9:10	Depart for Lava Lands Visitor Center parking lot, Bend, OR		
10:00	Arrive at Lava Lands for interpretive walk/talk with Dr. Daniele McKay*		
11:20ish	Depart Lava Lands for High Desert Museum		
11:30	Arrive at High Desert Museum.		
11:30	No host lunch at Rimrock Café		
12:00 pm	Explore High Desert Museum		
2:30	Depart High Desert Museum for Sisters Ponderosa Lodge		

*Dr. Daniele McKay is a geologist and senior instructor in the Department of Earth Sciences at the University of Oregon. She lives in Bend and teaches online geology courses throughout the academic year and field courses in Central Oregon during the summer. Her research background is in physical volcanology, focusing on recent mafic eruptions in the Central Oregon Cascades. She is also interested in how societies prepare for and respond to natural disasters, especially volcanic eruptions and earthquakes.

Tour Registration Form

Wednesday, April 23

(Please return with your registration materials.)

Peter Skene Ogden State Scenic Viewpoint

Lava Lands Interpretive Talk

High Desert Museum

Name(s) _____

Cost for the tour is \$14 per person. Garry Weber will collect the money prior to departure. This fee helps cover the cost of the interpretive talk and admission to the High Desert Museum. Lunch will be on your own at the museum's Rimrock Cafe.

Airport Transportation Request Form

(Please return with your registration materials)

Those of you who are traveling by air will arrive at the Bend/Redmond airport (RDM). The airport is located about 20 miles from Sisters, and no hotel shuttle service is available. We will do our best to provide transportation to and from the airport. Please provide the following information:

Name(s)
Cell Phone #
Email
Number in your party
Arrival date and time
Incoming Airline Flight number
Type of Travel Request:one way to convention, OR both ways
Departure date
Scheduled time of departure
Contact Rita (541) 520-2245 or Garry (541) 517-3333 for transportation questions
Note: An option is to fly into Portland International Airport (PDX), rent a car, and drive the beautiful $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours to Sisters. The scenic drive through the Cascade Mountains is spectacular.

Convention Schedule

Tuesday April 22	Evening	Arrivals begin. Registration is open. Enjoy dinner on your own in downtown Sisters.
Wednesday April 23	6:00 am – 9:30 am 10:00 am – 4:00 pm 8:00 am – 3:45 pm 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm	Breakfast Registration is open. Tour: Lava Lands / High Desert Museum- meet in lobby "Explore the Art of Wheat"- Ponderosa Meeting Room
Thursday April 24	6:00 am – 9:30 am 7:15 am – 8:00 am 7:30 am – 9:00 am 8:30 am – 12:00 pm Noon to 1:30 pm 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Breakfast Pre-Convention Board Meeting in Ponderosa Meeting Rm Registration open. Turn in Exchange Favors. Classes – Session A Joan Dulcey – Ponderosa Meeting Room Kseniia Koshykova- Aspen Suite 135 ZOOM class Lunch in the Hospitality Room Classes – Session B Dianne Gardner – Ponderosa Meeting Room Linda Beiler – Aspen Suite 135 ZOOM class
Friday April 25	6:00 pm 6:00 am – 9:30 am 8:30 am – 12:00 pm Noon to 1:30 pm 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	No host dinner at Takoda's Restaurant (walking distance) Breakfast Classes – Session C Leanne Fredrick – Ponderosa Meeting Room Linda Downs – Aspen Suite 135 Lunch in Hospitality Room Classes – Session D Dianne Gardner – Ponderosa Meeting Room Marian Vavra – Aspen Suite 135 ZOOM class Western BBQ at the Webers (Just four miles away) Dinner and Annual/Business Meeting Favor Exchange Auction: Teacher Projects– Dianne Ruff

Saturday	7:00 am – 10:00 am	Breakfast	
April 26	7:30 am – 8:00 am	Post-convention Board Meeting – Ponderosa Meeting Roo	
	8:30 am – 12:00 pm	Classes – Session E	
		Leanne Fredrick – Ponderosa Meeting Room	
		Rita Weber – Aspen Suite 135 ZOOM class	
	Noon to 1:30 pm	Lunch in the Hospitality Room	
1:30 <u>r</u>	1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Classes – Session F	
		Kseniia Koshykova – Ponderosa Meeting Room	
		Christine Swanson – Aspen Suite 135 ZOOM class	
	6:30 pm	Banquet – Ponderosa Meeting Room	
		Auction – Table Centerpieces	

Useful Class Information

Skill Levels

Each class is listed as an **Open**, **Beginner**, **Intermediate**, or **Advanced**. These levels are listed on each project's description page.

- **Open** means that it is suitable for all skill levels and could have a general prerequisite.
- **Beginner** indicates that the participant need not have prior experience with wheat weaving, and there are no prerequisites for the class.
- **Intermediate** means that the participant has a moderate amount of prior experience working with straw, and there could be some prerequisites for the class.
- **Advanced** means that the participant has had extensive prior experience with straw art, there are more specific skills needed in order to succeed in the class, and there will be prerequisites.

Prerequisites

- Before signing up for a class, it is necessary to carefully check the prerequisites for that class.
- Prerequisites are skills in straw work that the instructor is requesting that the participants already have, as they are necessary for the project but may not be taught in class.
- The purpose of prerequisites is to give each participant the opportunity for success and to facilitate a smooth flow of the class such that the project is more likely to be completed in the allotted time.
- Adherence to the prerequisites is important. If you do not understand the prerequisites, or if you do not meet them, please contact the instructor.

Pre-work

- Some classes may require some pre-work in order to complete the project in the allotted class time.
- Please be sure all pre-work is completed before attending the class.

Materials/Kits

- Some instructors will have kits for their class. Each kit will list the supplies included, and the student will bring any other supplies needed. Kits will be handed out in class.
- Students are required to purchase the class kits. **Please bring the exact amount to each class.**
- Instructors will be notified by the Registrar with the number of students in their class once registrations are completed.

Useful Class Information (Continued)

Supplies for Class

Students must bring the supplies needed for classes that are not included in class kits. Supplies will include:

- Wheat (cleaned, sorted, and soaked before class, as indicated in instructions)
- Basic weaving kit: Thread, sharp scissors, ruler, pin board and pins, towel, soaking tray (a tray can be provided on request by convention)
- Specific supplies for each class as listed by the instructor

REMINDER: If you are traveling by airplane, be sure to put glue guns and all sharp objects, no matter how small, in your checked luggage.

Shipping Information

You may ship boxes to Rita Weber prior to convention.

US Mail:	Rita Weber		
	PO Box 490		
	Sisters, OR 97759		
FED EX / UPS:	Rita Weber		
	69030 Hurtley Ranch Road		
	Sisters, OR 97759		

Wheat and Supplies from Vendors

You may contact vendors prior to convention to pre-order wheat and supplies.

Class Registration Form

Classes for the 2025 NAWW Convention are listed below. **Indicate your class preference in each session by putting 1 or 2 by the class.** Once the registration deadline passes, we will use a lottery system to assign classes if there are more enrollment requests than spaces in the classes. Registrations received after the deadline will be placed in classes that have space.

- **Class registration confirmations** will be sent via email. To receive class confirmation by postal mail, send a SASE #10 envelope with your registration form.
- **Registration Deadline** mail must be postmarked by March 15, 2025.
- **Cancellation requests** must be received in writing, via mail or email.
- **Refunds**: Refunds will be considered for emergency reasons.

Name: _____

Thursday, April 24 Session A 8:30 am – 12:00 pm

- ____1. Golden Orb Joan Dulcey
- _____2. Straw Horse Kseniia Koshykova ZOOM
 - ____attend on site
 - ____attend via Zoom
 - ____watch via Zoom later

Session B 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

____3. Stained Glass Angel – Dianne Gardner

4. Smile – Linda Beiler **ZOOM**

____attend on site

___attend via Zoom

____watch via Zoom later

Friday, April 25 Session C 8:30 am – 12:00 pm

5. Spiral Headband – Leanne Fredrick

6. Wrapped Rocks Rock – Linda Downs

Friday, April 25 Session D 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

- _____7. Stained Glass Angel part 2 Dianne Gardner
- 8. Brewin Hat Plait Marian Vavra
 - ZOOM

_____attend on site

____attend via Zoom

_____watch via Zoom later

Saturday, April 26

Session E 8:30 am – 12:00 pm _____9. S-Swirl/Hair Stick – Leanne Fredrick

_____10. Country Girl – Rita Weber **ZOOM**

____attend on site

____attend via Zoom

____watch via Zoom later

Session F 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

____ 11. Ukrainian Pavuk – Kseniia Koshykova

12. Fascinators – Christine Swanson

ZOOM _____ attend on site _____attend via Zoom _____ watch via Zoom later

Convention Registration Form

Name:		Phone/Cell Phone	:
Address:			
Email			
Emergency Contact Nam	e:	Phone/Cell Phone	::
Full registration (postm	arked by March 15, 2025)		\$55.00
Late registration (postmarked after March 15, 2025))	\$70.00
Mini registration for spouse or guests		x	\$12.50 =
Name of spouse or gu	est for name badge		_
	ete details on page 6 of Reg	-	
Friday Evening Dinne	r (Western BBQ)	x	\$10.00 =
Saturday Evening Bar	iquet (Pecan Smoked BBQ I	Brisket)x	\$26.00 =
Class Fees: \$25.00 per c	lass session	# of classesx	\$25.00 =
Workbook: (one is inclu	uded in each registration fee	e)	
Non-attendees and extra workbook copies		<u>x</u>	\$20.00 =
Person picking up v	vorkbook at convention		
Postage for each workbook if mailed in USA (mee		nedia mail)x	\$ 5.00 =
Total Amount Due		TOTAL	\$
Make check or money	order payable to NAWW.	Include check with co	ompleted forms:
all to: Leanne Fr 209 Major Santa Cru	edrick, NAWW Registrar		Transportation Request. Ma

NOTE: As of 2015 NAWW membership dues cannot be paid with convention registration. Make sure your membership dues are paid prior to submitting your registration. Your enrollment may be delayed until membership has been confirmed.

We recommend you make copies of all forms for your records.

Weaving Out West April 23-26, 2025 Scholarship Opportunity Deadline: March 10, 2025

Memorial Fund Scholarships are available to first-time convention participants who plan to attend the entire convention. This includes attending all three days (April 24-26, 2025) and taking four or more classes.

If you have never attended an NAWW convention but would like to, you may apply for a scholarship by completing the Scholarship Request form on the next page and sending it either by mail or by email to Dianne Ruff. The form must be **postmarked or emailed by March 10, 2025**:

Dianne Ruff, Memorial Fund Chairman 46 Ophir Ave. Lincoln, IL 62656 (217) 732-1957 <u>wheatwood47@gmail.com</u>

Please be sure that Dianne responds to your request. If you do not hear back from Dianne, your application did not reach her.

IMPORTANT: **Deadline is March 10, 2025**. Please note that this deadline will get you an answer for a scholarship before the registration deadline of March 15, 2025.

IF YOU DO NOT GET YOUR APPLICATION POSTMARKED BY THE DEADLINE, PLEASE NOTE THAT IT MAY STILL BE POSSIBLE TO GET A SCHOLARSHIP. If you miss this deadline, please contact Dianne to inquire if a scholarship is available. We want you to have a great first convention experience.

Scholarship Benefits:

If you are awarded a scholarship to attend the convention of the National Association of Wheat Weavers (NAWW) in Sisters, OR, April 24-26, 2025, the following benefits are paid:

- Convention Registration, which includes a copy of the Convention Workbook
- Four regular class fees (you will need to provide the class supplies and purchase any kits, if offered)
- Saturday night banquet

Qualifications for a scholarship:

- Become a member of NAWW (online or by mail: https://nawwstraw.org/membership/)
- Complete the Request Form and send to Memorial Fund Chairman to apply for scholarship
- Attend convention classes in Sisters, OR, April 24-26, 2025
- Send an article to the Gleanings Editor about yourself and the experience you had at convention. This will be published in the Gleanings following convention.

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If interested, please submit the following form either by mail or email. Contact Dianne Ruff if you have any questions.

Please consider my application to become a scholarship winner for the 2025 NAWW convention in Sisters, OR.

Name:			
City:		State:	ZIP:
Country:			
Phone:		email:	
Mail form to:	Dianne Ruff, Memorial Fund 46 Ophir Ave. Lincoln, IL 62656 (217) 732-1957 <u>wheatwood47@gmail.com</u>	Chairman	

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March 15, 2025

Deadline to submit registration forms with Regular Registration Fee of \$55.00

Convention Registration Form, Class Registration Form and payment are due. A postmark on, or prior to, this date is required to be included in the class lottery, should a lottery become necessary for any of the classes.

March 16, 2025

Late Registration fee takes effect.

For registrations postmarked on March 16, 2025 and later, the late registration fee of \$75.00 is required.

March 22, 2025

Cutoff Date on Hotel Reservations

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April 23-26, 2025

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