

BOOKWORM PARTY

(Bookmark weaving using a book as a loom)



Required Materials:

- 1 hardback book (per person)

Optional Materials:

- Yarn (these bookmarks are great for using up remnants)*
- Tapestry or darning needle (if you have a favorite)

SCHEDULE	
15 min	Hellos, sample viewing, an overview of bookmark weaving steps
20 min	Warping your book
10 min	Beginning your weaving
45 min	Weave away (and chat, of course)!
20 min	Finishing your bookmark
10 min	Trim fringe & pack up

*A variety of solid-colored yarn (red, gold, army green, medium blue, dark blue, black, cream), as well as some various stash yarns will be provided by the instructor. If you have a very specific color palette in mind, it is recommended that you bring your own yarn as it is not guaranteed that every hue will be available.

You will be provided with extra-long weaving needles and a few other book loom tools and materials which you are welcome to take home with you after the workshop.

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR



JULIA BLAKE is a fiber arts educator, artist, weaver, and tinkerer. She spent her formative years moving back and forth between India and the United States and has been fascinated by textiles since early childhood. Since earning her degree in Education and Human Sciences, with a focus on Textiles, Merchandising, and Fashion Design from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, she had the privilege of studying traditional backstrap weaving in her grandmother's home country of Bhutan, and the honor of teaching the art of handweaving to the blind at Friedman Place in Chicago.

Julia is the President of the Weaver's Guild of the North Shore, incoming Assistant Editor of Shuttle Spindle & Dyepot Magazine, and is pursuing a Master Weaver Certificate of Excellence. Julia is also the owner & sole instructor at The Crossed Knot where she offers private weaving instruction, classes, workshops, and loom & equipment rentals. When she is not teaching, Julia creates weaving-related art for indoor and outdoor, public display in the Chicagoland area. She lives just over the northern border of Chicago with her husband Ryan and their two very suspiciously well-behaved cats.

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