

WHAT'S ON DECEMBER 2025

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Season's Greetings to all who celebrate this time of year!

The Trustees would like to thank our members, affiliated groups, subscribers, donors, social media followers, and everyone who attended a Guild event in the past year, for all the support you've given us in 2025. We hope that you are looking forward to what we have planned for 2026.

You can read our full festive message and details of when we will be available over the Festive period on our website [here](#).

Left: Robin by Jean Carter 1965 from the Guild Collection EAMEG 1998.13

THE GUILD'S OWN EVENTS

Our events programme of workshops, talks and demonstrations, is well underway and we hope you'll find lots to tempt you as we enter 2026!

Short Workshops

For Guild members the short workshop or demonstration costs remains at £2.99* each, the cost for workshops for non-members is £15* each, whilst demonstrations are £10*. There are now seven on-demand recordings for short workshops that are FREE to Guild members. There are many more workshops from our previous years' programme that remain available on demand at £2.99 each for members and £15 non-members. On Demand recordings can be found here: **On demand - past talks and workshops, Embroiderers' Guild**

The Guild annual membership fee is £42 or twelve payments of £3.95 per month. If you fancy doing three or more workshops it's worth considering becoming a Guild member. More details here:

embroiderersguild.com/membership

Members' Discount Codes for Workshops and Demonstrations

The discount codes are in the members' area of the Guild website under Member News, and the link you need for the workshop discounts is: **Member discounts for Workshops and Demonstrations - Embroiderers' Guild** - you will need to be logged into your members' account for this link to work.

Coming up next in our 2025/26 programme:

Workshops

3 FEBRUARY 2026 STITCHED PAPER BOOK IN A BOX WITH ANNE BROOKE

Anne will share with you her love of combining paper, collage and stitch so you can create a mini stitched concertina book in a box. Enjoy seeing an array of techniques and inspiring samples.

Demonstrations

24 JANUARY 2026 SHIBORI-INSPIRED FUROSHIKI CLOTHS USING NATURAL DYE AND MODIFIERS WITH NICOLA JANE PANTALEO

Learn the art of Furoshiki with Nicola, discover simple folding and wrapping techniques combined with the magic of natural dyes and modifiers to create beautiful Shibori-inspired cloths.



3 February 2026 Anne Brooke



24 Jan 2026 Nicola Jane Pantaleo

FREE WORKSHOPS FOR GUILD MEMBERS

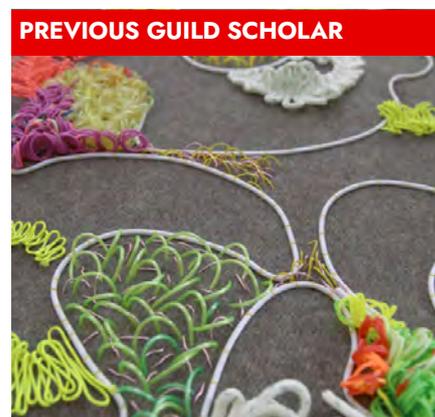
There are currently 7 FREE on demand workshops available for Guild members during the whole of 2025. They are available on the Guild website, click on the workshop titles below to book.



Anne Brooke: *Knots, Knots, Knots*



Elnaz Yazdani: *Mark Making*



Elnaz Yazdani: *Experimental Embroidered Worlds*



Felicity Billing: *Distorting Stitches*



Jessica Grady: *Embellished Textile Brooches*



Anne Kelly: *Collage Bird*



Beth Upstill: *Embroidered Bugs*



The free workshops above are for Guild members only. In addition the following workshop is free to all, members and non-members:

Mary Sleigh: *Encrusted with Eyelets*



Thread Talks

A series of online lectures. Speakers talk about inspirations, community projects and other textile art related topics. They also discuss creativity and how they create their pieces. **Talks coming up:**

7 JANUARY 2026 OPUS ANGLICANUM WITH TANYA BENTHAM

Learn from Tanya the joys of medieval embroidery, discover the fun not fusty narratives and how medieval stitch can be interpreted for the modern world.

14 FEBRUARY 2026 CARE & PRESENTATION WITH ANTHEA GODFREY

Join Guild Trustee, Anthea as she shares the wealth of knowledge the Guild team has acquired around the storage, care and presentation of a wide range of textile embroidery items, enabling them to be shown at their best.

23 FEBRUARY 2026 AN INTRODUCTION TO CREWELWORK WITH PHILLIPA TURNBULL

Journey with Phillipa through history, from the early beginnings of crewel work to its modern-day interpretations, enjoy following the evolution of stitches and designs.

5 MARCH 2026 A CHANGE OF SCALE; THE CHALLENGES OF COMMISSIONED WORK WITH WENDY DOLAN

Gain a fascinating insight into the excitement and challenges of commissioned work as Wendy walks you through the steps from brief to completion whilst reflecting on her own experiences.

14 MARCH 2026 VICTORIAN NEEDLEWORK FROM DOMESTIC DECORATION TO MILITARY INSIGNIA WITH LUCY BARTER IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FUSILIER MUSEUM WARWICK

The Victorian needlework period saw great changes in design, technique, materials, threads and dyes used. In this talk Lucy will explore the diverse styles to find out how the Victorians shaped Needlework for all.

Find more details and how to book these talks at: embroiderersguild.com/thread-talks

Recorded events will automatically be made available to all ticket holders within 14 days.

Our On Demand Recordings of previous talks can be found here: embroiderersguild.com/on-demand-past-talks-and-workshops

Other Guild Events

GUILD COLLECTION EXHIBITION 2026

COMING SOON: "SEW DAINTY: THE ART OF TINY STITCHES"

More details to follow soon for our next exhibition at Discover Bucks Museum, Aylesbury, Bucks.

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

Current Events

ABERDEEN UNTIL 15 FEBRUARY 2026

READING BETWEEN THE LINES: EMBROIDERED SAMPLER EXHIBITION

Aberdeen Stitch and Textile Group celebrate the Tall Ships Race in Aberdeen in conjunction with Aberdeen Art Gallery. Aberdeen Art Gallery, Schoolhill, Aberdeen, AB10 1FQ.

Aberdeen Art Gallery | Aberdeen City Council

BEDFORD UNTIL 19 APRIL 2026

UKRAINIAN FOLK ART AND HERITAGE EXHIBITION

An exhibition of beautiful, colourful, regional antique costumes of Ukraine curated by a local Ukrainian artist. Ukrainian folk art workshops will be run during the year. The Higgins Art Gallery & Museum, Castle Lane, Bedford, MK40 3XD. **Exhibitions**

BIRSTALL UNTIL 4 JANUARY 2026

SHARED THREADS

Including "The Pink Dress" created by the children from Gomersal Primary School. Open weekends 12pm to 4pm, free entry. Oakwell Hall, Nutter Lane, Birstall, WF17 9LG.

Shared Threads exhibition at Oakwell Hall

DARLINGTON VARIOUS DATES UNTIL

MARCH 2026 PART OF ON TRACK:

DARLINGTON STITCH & CREATE

UNTIL 4 JANUARY 2026 Group Project Triptych 'Full Steam Ahead' alone in The Stores. Open: 10am - 5pm Term Time Tuesday - Sunday / School Holidays Monday - Sunday (Closed New Year's Day). Free Entry.

PLUS 10 January - 15 March 2026, selected highlights of 'Through the Carriage Window' in The Space. Hopetown Museum, McNay Street, Darlington DL3 6SW.

DUNDEE UNTIL APRIL 2026

THREAD MEMORY: EMBROIDERY FROM PALESTINE

Explore the history of tatreez and the power of Palestinian dress both past and present. V&A Dundee, 1 Riverside, Esplanade, Dundee, DD1 4EZ.

LEICESTER UNTIL 22 FEBRUARY 2026

MARY LINWOOD: ART, STITCH AND LIFE

A retrospective of the Leicester textile artist Mary Linwood. Leicester Museum & Art Gallery, 53 New Walk, Leicester LE1 7EA.

Event Details – Leicester Museums



THE NATIONAL EMBROIDERY AWARDS 2026

YOUR STAGE. YOUR STITCH. YOUR STORY.

WHY ENTER?

- Open to all: beginners, students, and professionals
- 6 entry classes: Education & Non-Education
- Finalists showcased at Fashion & Embroidery, NEC Birmingham
- Winners crowned live on the catwalk
- Winning work exhibited at the Sunbury Embroidery Gallery
- Featured in Embroidery magazine

KEY DATES

- **Deadline to enter:** 16 January 2026
- **Winners announced:** 12 March 2026

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THE CREATIVE CRAFT SHOW

NEC, BIRMINGHAM • 12 - 15 MARCH 2026

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LONDON UNTIL JUNE 2026

DIVINE AND MYTHICAL CREATURES FROM THE RSN COLLECTION & ARCHIVE

Featuring imaginary earthly and celestial beings, both human and animal spanning multiple centuries and continents. Hampton Court Palace, London, KT8 9AU.

Divine and Mythical Creatures from the RSN Collection & Archive - Royal School of Needlework

LONDON UNTIL 21 JUNE 2026

WOMEN IN PRINT: 150 YEARS OF LIBERTY TEXTILES

William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, Walthamstow, London, E17 4PP. **Women in Print**

LONDON UNTIL 31 MAY 2026

CANTICLE OF THE BIRDS

A mixed-media exhibition inspired by the Sufi poet Farid ud-Din Attar, bringing together artists from the UK and beyond. Aga Khan Centre Gallery. 10 Handyside Street, N1C 4DN. **Canticle of the Birds - Aga Khan Centre**

MANCHESTER UNTIL 11 JANUARY 2026

SMOOTH SAILING: MARCOS KEUEH

'Smooth Sailing, 一路順風' is the first institutional solo exhibition by Marcos Kueh—an emerging artist whose richly layered textile works has been increasingly recognised on the international stage. Esea Contemporary, 13 Thomas Street, Manchester, M4 1EU.

Exhibitions - Upcoming

OLDHAM UNTIL 7 MARCH 2025

CONNECTING THREADS 2 BY LYNN SETTERINGTON

Lynn combines popular culture, folk art and the everyday to make extraordinary artworks that celebrate what it means to be human. Gallery Oldham, Greaves Street, Oldham, OL1 1AL. **Exhibitions - Oldham HLA**

WARRINGTON UNTIL 22 FEBRUARY 2026

BEAUTIFUL BOTANY, NATURE'S ALCHEMY - A STITCH & MIXED MEDIA EXHIBITION BY THREADMILL

Wednesday to Friday - 10.00am to 16.30pm. Saturday - 10.00am to 16.00pm. Sunday 11.00am to 15.00pm. Free admission. Warrington Museum & Gallery, Bold Street, Warrington, WA11 1JG. www.threadmill.org.uk

WHITCHURCH UNTIL 22 FEBRUARY 2026

VISIBLE THREADS: JANE SANDERS

Discover Jane's intricate portraits of iconic musicians from all genres stitched using a vintage 1960's Singer sewing machine. Included in our Mill admission price. Whitchurch Silk Mill, 28 Winchester Street, Whitchurch, RG28 7AL.

Upcoming Events

BIRMINGHAM 14 FEB UNTIL 11 APRIL 2026

MADE IN THE MIDDLE, CRAFTSPACE

A touring exhibition of contemporary crafts made in the East and West Midlands.

Midlands Art Centre, Birmingham: 14 Feb - 11 Apr 2026

Made in the Middle – Craftspace

DORKING 20 UNTIL 25 JANUARY 2026

'FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION': EXHIBITION BY CQ SURREY (CONTEMPORARY QUILTERS SURREY).

Daily 9.30am-5pm (exhibition closes Sunday 2.30pm).

Admission and parking free. Art Gallery at Denbies Wine

Until 31 May 2026 **Canticle of the Birds**



Anne Kelly

Estate, London Road, Dorking, Surrey RH5 6AA.

admin@cqsurrey.co.uk, www.cqsurrey.co.uk;

www.denbies.co.uk

FORFAR 31 JANUARY UNTIL 23 MARCH 2026

'NOVEL IDEAS': DUNDEE STITCH & TEXTILE GROUP EXHIBITION

Open Friday to Monday only 10.30 to 4pm, free entry. MEFFAN GALLERY, 20 W High Street, Forfar, DD8 1BB.

SHILDON 10 JAN UNTIL 15 FEB 2026 PART OF ON TRACK: DARLINGTON STITCH & CREATE

Group Project Triptych 'Full Steam Ahead' together with 'Wagons Roll'. Carriages of the imagination. Open daily 10.00 - 17.00. Free entry. Locomotion Museum Part of the Science Museum Group. Dale Road Industrial Estate, Shildon DL4 2RE.

WARWICK 28 JAN UNTIL 11 APR 2026

FUSILIER MUSEUM: FOLLOWING THREADS EXHIBITION: EXPLORING REGIMENTAL EMBROIDERY IN THE VICTORIAN AGE

The exhibition explores the embroidery work undertaken by members of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment in India and other locations, during the late Victorian period. More details here: **The Fusilier Museum, Warwick** The museum in partnership with the Embroiderers' Guild is presenting 2 talks at the Museum Warwick on Saturday 28 February at 1.00pm exploring the rich history of English embroidery including the regimental items on show.

TALK1: "From Distaff to Digital - 1000 Years (and more) of Decorative Stitching" Guild Trustee Dr Penny Hill will provide an overview of the history of embroidery in the UK, primarily illustrated by items from the Embroiderers' Guild collection.

TALK2: "Following Threads - Exploring Embroidery Work Created by Soldiers of the Victorian Age". Exhibition curator, Prof. Janet Ainley explores a remarkable collection of regimental embroideries created by soldiers of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment in the 19th and 20th centuries. Event booking details here:

Embroidery Through History Tickets, Sat, Feb 28, 2026 at 1:00 PM | Eventbrite

EMBROIDERERS' GUILD SPECIAL OFFERS AND GIVEAWAYS

Congratulations to Ann Hibberd who won our October Giveaway which was a copy of the Beth Upstill's book 'Garden of Embroidered Bugs'. Beth covered stitching some of these little bugs using bullion knots and woven picots in our Guild members' free workshop in July. Missed the workshop? It is available on demand here: **On demand past talks and workshops - Embroiderers Guild**

The book is available for sale from Wonderfil in the UK Garden of Embroidered Bugs Book by Beth Upstill – **WonderFil UK** and internationally Home - **WonderFil Specialty Threads**

DAZZLE Thread Pack Offer:

We are running a special offer on a Wonderfil Dazzle™ thread pack (50yd spools). 8wt silky rayon with one strand of metallic. Great for highlighting the details on dimensional stitches and passementerie projects for that extra sparkle. You can find a link to purchase the thread pack for £5 plus p&p (RRP £21.60) in the members' area of the Guild website. Strictly one thread pack per member/purchase please, only whilst stocks last.



Louise Saxton 'Cut and Pinned' Book Offer: 10% OFF all orders, plus free postage for all UK deliveries. To purchase visit **Embroidery Merchandise - My Magazine Subscriptions**.

Louise Saxton's gorgeous book *Cut & Pinned* reflects the artist's collecting, reclaiming and re-imagining discarded needlework. Her reclaimed 'cut & pinned' needlework assemblages, make a significant contribution to the long line of artists seeking to level the playing field between what is considered fine art and what is dismissed as craft.

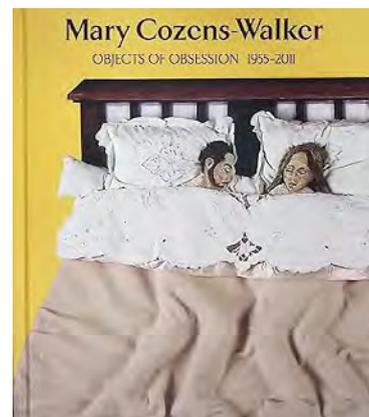
Guild member Rachel Mary Wright's Book offer 10% off: Embark on a mesmerizing journey through the sands of time with Rachel as she reimagines ancient Egyptian art and history in embroidery and paint. The book priced at £28 plus p&p is available on the Guild merchandise page. A discounted price of £25 plus p&p is available to Guild members and *Embroidery* subscribers via this link:

<https://bit.ly/468nhXR>

Search Press Books Offer: Use the code **EGBOOKS25** to get **25% OFF** your purchase. P&P is free for book orders that are over £25 after the EG discount offer has been applied. Using the discount code helps the Guild too as we get a small commission every time you use the code. Thank you!

Book Giveaway: Mary Cozens-Walker (1938 –2020)

At Harrogate Knit+Stitch last month we exhibited a recent donation to the Guild Collection of sketchbooks and pieces by Mary Cozens-Walker.



Our December give-away is a book of Mary's work: *Mary Cozens-Walker Objects of Obsession 1955-2011*.

To enter the giveaway email:

receptionist@embroiderersguild.com with your name, and address by midnight 10 January 2026.

The book is available for sale at £12, free UK postage from the Guild eBay shop **embroiderersguild on eBay** and on the *Embroidery* magazine website where it can be purchased internationally **Embroidery Merchandise - My Magazine Subscriptions**

For those travelling further afield

MOROCCO, MARRAKECH 24 FEBRUARY UNTIL 3 MARCH 2026 CREATIVE EXPERIENCES RETREAT WITH ELIZABETH ASHDOWN
Four full days of tuition with Elizabeth Ashdown plus curated excursions. Elizabeth will delve into the art of passementerie -from braids and fringes to tassels and textured trimmings.
creative-experiences.com/experience/elizabeth-ashdown-2026

NORWAY UNTIL 5 APRIL 2026 THE DREAM BALLAD
Draumkvedet (The Dream Ballad) is the last of Torvald Moseid's major embroidered works, completed 7 years before his death. Kunstsilo, Sjølystveien 8, 4610 Kristiansand, Norway. **The Dream Ballad**

FRANCE, VERSAILLES 24 UNTIL 31 MAY 2026 CREATIVE EXPERIENCES RETREAT WITH NICOLA JARVIS
An eight-day retreat at the MGallery Le Louis Hotel, close to the Château de Versailles. Nicola Jarvis will teach three designs over three workshop days from her new book Life in Seasons, Volume 2. There will also be stitching at the showrooms of Au Ver à Soie, a guided textile tour of Paris with Rebecca Devaney, and a private introduction to Frédérique Crestin-Billet of Maison Sajou.
creative-experiences.com/experience/nicola-jarvis-2026

SWITZERLAND UNTIL 8 MARCH 2026 TIMES IN TAPESTRY
Goshka Macuga x Grayson Perry x Mary Toms. The mudac and the Toms Pauli Foundation present an exceptional exhibition dedicated to tapestry as a vector of social and political discourse. Museum of Contemporary Design and Applied Arts, Place de la Cathedrale 6 · 1005 Lausanne, Switzerland.

Weaving your time - mudac
USA UNTIL 11 APRIL 2026 SOURCE MATERIAL: LESSONS IN RESPONSIBLE FASHION
Drawing from The Textile Museum Collection, the exhibition highlights how cultures across time have cherished the resources needed to make textiles. The George Washington University Museum and The Textile Museum, 701 21st St. NW, Washington, DC 20052, USA.

Source Material: Lessons in Responsible Fashion | The George Washington University Museum and The Textile Museum | The George Washington University

ONLINE 13 JANUARY 2026 SALLEY MAVOR: MAGIC THREADS: THE ART OF SALLEY MAVOR
Windsor & Maidenhead Textile Group present an opportunity to hear Salley talk from the USA via Zoom. Tuesday 13 January 2026 at 7pm (19.00 GMT)
Tickets: £8 available from wandmtg@gmail.com payable by bank transfer, please email for payment details.

Other opportunities

MUIR TRUST ARTIST IN RESIDENCE 2026
Applications are now open for the Muir Trust Artist in Residence 2026 at Discover Bucks Museum, Aylesbury. An opportunity for an artist working in non-digital media next spring, creating a new body of contemporary work inspired by the Museum's Saxon burial exhibition. The residency offers: 20 funded days, £3,500 fee, A solo exhibition at the museum, public engagement opportunities. Full details and application guidance can be found here: www.discoverbucksmuseum.org/muir-trust-artist-in-residence-2026-apply-today
Deadline to apply: 12 noon, Friday 9 January 2026.

TACTILE BOOK DESIGN - A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY
The charity ClearVision has a collection of around 800 tactile picture books, in which the illustrations are designed to be explored by touch. There is an international competition in Prague in October 2026 for the best in tactile book design. The UK judging round will be organised by ClearVision in July 2026. The competition is free to enter. Entrants will gain an opportunity to receive feedback from global experts in the field of tactile book design, with the possibility of having their book produced for blind children across the world.

ClearVision is running free online workshops to anyone interested in taking part or making tactile books.
Dates are here: clearvisionproject.org/blog/free-tactile-book-making-workshops
Email alex@clearvisionproject.org to book a place.

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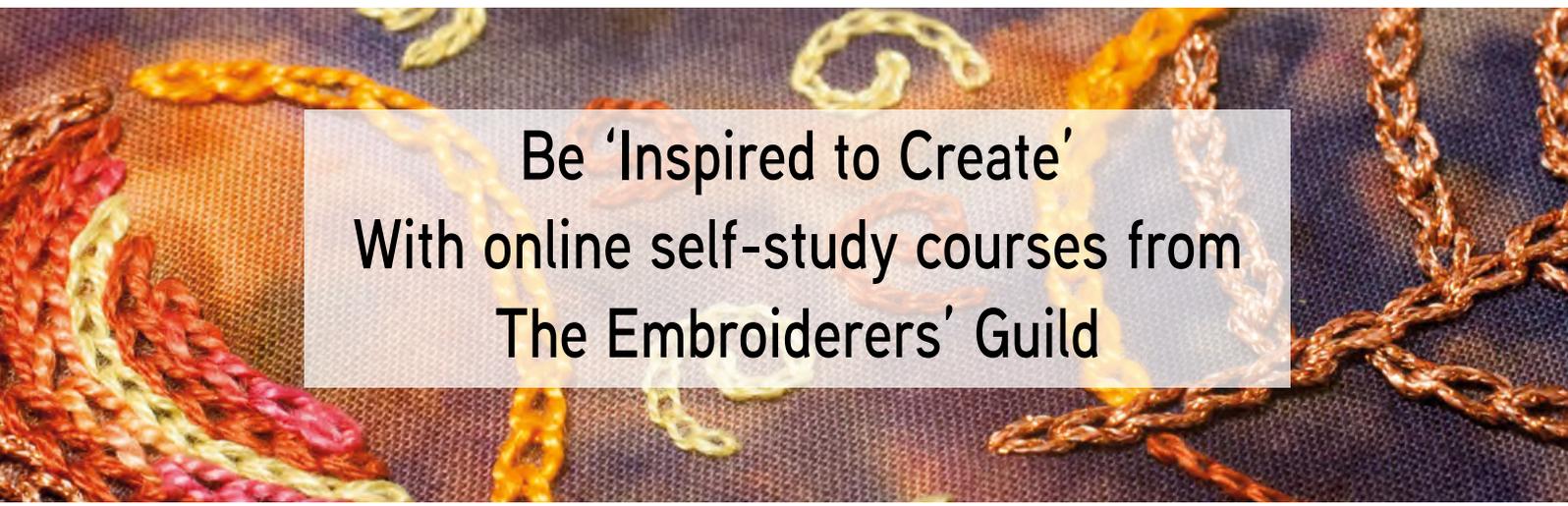
Whether you're a beginner or an expert. You're here to experiment and have fun.

Start today and see where your imagination takes you!

★ **P.S.** Embroiderers' Guild members — don't forget to use your discount codes at the checkout — there is a generous discount per course level! Gift options available.



Work by Sue R



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- ✓ Develop designs & make samples
- ✓ Step-by-step, develop your confidence & skills
- ✓ An exciting route of design discovery
- ✓ Experiment with materials & techniques
- ✓ Practice techniques to understand their use

You can follow these courses using HAND EMBROIDERY or MACHINE EMBROIDERY



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EMBROIDERERS' GUILD

EVENTS CALENDAR 2025-26

TICKET AVAILABILITY KEY: AVAILABLE NOW (AN) COMING SOON (CS) ON DEMAND (OD)

TALKS

16 September - Kirstie Macleod - *The Red Dress* OD

14 October - Marion Plumb - *The Hidden World of the Geisha* OD

11 November - Cas Holmes - *Making Connections* OD

3 December - Polly Woolstone - *From Sketchbook to Final Piece* OD

7 January - Tanya Bentham - *Opus Anglicanum* AN

14 February - Anthea Godfrey - *Care & Presentation* AN

23 February - Phillipa Turnbull - *An introduction to Crewelwork* AN

5 March - Wendy Dolan - *A Change of Scale, the challenges of commissioned work* CS

14 March - Lucy Barter - *Victorian Needlework: From Domestic Decoration to Military Insignia* CS

15 April - Jenni Dutton - *The Darnings* CS

20 May - Lynn Settrington - *Tactile Social History* CS

6 June - Mary Sleigh - *Xhosa Design Techniques of the Eastern Cape* CS

5 September - Linda Hadden - *Samplers* CS

SHOWS 2025-26

The World's Longest Embroidery will be available to stitch on at Knit+Stitch Harrogate and a new section at NEC, Birmingham

Knit+Stitch featuring Graduate Showcase, Members' Challenge & Members' Project, Guild retail stall

- Alexandra Palace, London 8 - 11 October 2026
- Harrogate convention Centre, Harrogate 19 - 22 November 2026

Sewing for Pleasure/Fashion & Embroidery NEC Birmingham 12-15 March 2026 featuring the National Embroidery Awards, Members' Challenge & Members' Project exhibition gallery, demonstrations and make & takes on Guild stand, Guild workshops

Guild Collection Exhibition at Discover Bucks Museum, Aylesbury - *'Sew Dainty: The Art of Tiny Stitches'* from January 2026

***If you fancy doing three or more workshops or demos it's worth considering becoming a Guild member. More details here:**

Membership - Embroiderers' Guild

For more information and to book any of our events see our website: Activities - Embroiderers' Guild

WORKSHOPS & DEMONSTRATIONS

JUST £2.99 FOR GUILD MEMBERS*

13 September - Melanie Missin-Keating - DEMO: *Dyeing to do the Colour Wheel Demo* OD

25 October - Sarah Boardman - DEMO: *Small Steps in Swedish Weaving/Huck Embroidery* OD

1 November - Batool Showghi - DEMO: *Image transfer onto fabric prior to stitching* OD

24 January - Nicola Panteleo - WORKSHOP/DEMO: *Shibori inspired Furoshiki Cloths using natural dyes and modifiers* AN

3 February - Anne Brooke - WORKSHOP/DEMO: *Stitched Paper Book in a Box* AN

21 March - Helen Birmingham - *Mindful Stitching Process or Outcome?* CS

9 May - Ruth Parkinson-Johns - WORKSHOP/DEMO: title TBC CS

20 June - Mary Sleigh - DEMO: *Exploring ideas based on a Xhosa theme* CS

MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES

MEMBERS' CHALLENGE: Theme for 2025-26 is *'Feast'*

- Deadline for submission of entries **27 February 2026**
- Entries judged and winners announced during **April 2026**
- Entries exhibited at Knit+Stitch Shows 2026 and Fashion & Embroidery Show 2027

MEMBERS' PROJECT: Theme for 2025-26 is *'Look In, Look Out'*

- Registration for Members' Project 2025-26 by **31 March 2026**
- Deadline for submission of completed entries **31 August 2026**
- Entries exhibited at Knit+Stitch Shows 2026 and Fashion & Embroidery Show 2027

Annual General Meeting: Online Saturday **18 July 2026 10.30am BST**

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Three Guild scholarships: under 30, over 30, & Education application deadline is 30 June 2026 for the 2026-27 scholars

Graduate Showcase: applications from colleges and universities by **30 June 2026** for the 2026-27 graduate showcase

THE NATIONAL EMBROIDERY AWARDS 2026 EMBROIDERY COMPETITION

There is still time to enter the National Embroidery Awards 2026. Submit your most beautiful embroidery from the past 12 months — hand, free-machine or digital — and show us the originality, texture and spark that sets your work apart.

For the full brief on how to enter, visit: www.creativecraftshow.co.uk/competitions

Registration & Image Submission
Deadline: 16 January 2026



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Deadline for the next issue of
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for events taking place after **27 January 2026**

Please send copy and/or images to contactnewsletter@embroiderersguild.com

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