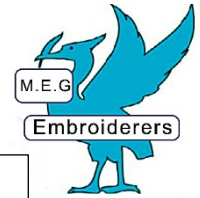


**Programme of TALKS and WORKSHOPS 2020**



All Talks and Workshops are held in All Hallows Centre, Greenhill Road, Liverpool L18 6JJ  
**Workshops £20/ £25 visitors and Talks £3/ £5 visitors** (unless otherwise stated) **To**  
**book a Workshop place please contact** [coursebooking@megonline.co.uk](mailto:coursebooking@megonline.co.uk)

**January 18<sup>th</sup> – TALK 2pm-4pm** by Sarah Thursfield **“Of Seamstresses and Shirts: Plain and Not-So-Plain Sewing”**. A popular speaker at MEG traces the history of underwear and accessories, and how decoration grew from structural sewing. **We also have Bring & Stitch and a Sales Table from 11am-1pm. Visitors welcome!**

**February 15<sup>th</sup> – WORKSHOP 10am-4pm** with Victoria Riley **“A Taste of Handmade Indonesian Batik”** A full day spent learning to use traditional tools and methods to make your own piece of batik.  
**Visitors welcome but booking is essential.**

**March 21<sup>st</sup> – TALK 2pm-4pm** by Karen Scott **“What a Performance!”** Our talented branch member talks about the skills needed to design and sew for the theatre, and shows us her latest creations.  
**We also have Bring & Stitch and a Sales Table from 11am-1pm. Visitors welcome!**

**April 18<sup>th</sup> – COLLECTION DAY 11am – 3pm** Final call for your exhibition pieces for NW Regional Day 2020. Plus a chance to see and handle some samples of contemporary stitch from the Gawthorpe Hall collection.

**April 25<sup>th</sup> – NORTH WEST REGIONAL DAY** Come and support us at L.A.C.E. Conference Centre in Liverpool and see the embroidery inspired by Speke Hall. **Visitors welcome but pre-booking is essential. Tickets cost £30, contact Vicky on [chairman@megonline.co.uk](mailto:chairman@megonline.co.uk) See NW Regional Day 2020 poster for further information.**

**May 16<sup>th</sup> – TALK 10am-noon** by Carla Phillips **“Vikings in Merseyside”** A fully interactive talk on the Viking culture in our area, followed by a **WORKSHOP 2pm-4pm** **“Make a Viking Bracelet”** Carla will help us make a bracelet in wirework, **all materials included**. The **Colour Competition** will also be judged today.  
**Visitors welcome to both Talk & Workshop, Workshop booking is essential. TALK ONLY £3 members/£5 visitors, WORKSHOP ONLY £10/£15, and MEMBERS ONLY offer of £12 all day when both sessions are booked together.**

**June 20<sup>th</sup> – WORKSHOP** with Judith Rowley **“Beautiful Surfaces: From the Traditional to the Contemporary”** Following an inspirational talk in 2019, Judith will encourage you to use your hand stitching skills to make a contemporary piece. **Visitors welcome but booking is essential.**

**July 18<sup>th</sup> – TALK 2pm-4pm** by Hilary Naghashi **“Persian Delights”** Come and find out about the traditional embroidery and weaving in Iran, in an illustrated talk, with textile samples.  
**We also have Bring & Stitch and a Sales Table from 11am-1pm Visitors welcome!**

**August 15<sup>th</sup> – TALK 2pm-4pm** by Stewart Kelly **“Face to Face with Stewart Kelly: Twenty Years of Thinking, Making and Communicating Ideas”** An international fabric designer and textile artist looks back on his career.  
**We also have Bring & Stitch and a Sales Table from 11am-1pm Visitors welcome!**

**September 19<sup>th</sup> – WORKSHOP 10am-4pm** with Helen Barnes **“Costa Rican Icons”** A mixed media workshop based on pre-Columbian art, where you will create a unique contemporary textile art piece.  
**Visitors welcome but booking is essential.**

**October 17<sup>th</sup> – AGM** then **TALK 2pm-4pm** by Jenny Waterson **“Rachel Kay-Shuttleworth and the Collection”** The Learning Curator at Gawthorpe Hall talks about the founder of the famous textile collection. The **Chair's Challenge Competition** will be judged today. **We also have Bring & Stitch and a Sales Table from 11am-1pm Visitors welcome!**

**November 14<sup>th</sup> – WORKSHOP 10am-4pm** with Gill Roberts **“Playing with Layers, Textures and Stitch”** A popular tutor will show us how to create interesting surfaces when layering and embellishing sheers. For machine and hand embroidery. Material pack provided. **Visitors welcome but booking essential.**

**December 5<sup>th</sup> – CHRISTMAS PARTY at ALL HALLOWS.** Come and join in the activities, browse the stalls and catch up with members over a mince pie and cup of tea. The **Traditional Stitch Competition** will be judged today.  
**Visitors welcome!**