

## **READY, SET, KNIT**

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Weaving for Knitters and Crocheters

This summer at WEBS, we are putting the spotlight on weaving...weaving in general, but weaving for knitters and crocheters in particular.

Think about all that wonderful yarn you have in your stash...guess what? You can weave with most of it! I know what you're thinking...I don't have room for a big loom in my house, I'm not interested in dealing with heddles and treadles and such, I am just afraid of the whole weaving process, or I want something I can take with me.

There's this great new little loom that is fully transportable and folds up like a briefcase; it's called the Rigid Heddle Flip loom and is made by Schacht. It comes in 3 widths and you can get a stand for it if you wish, but you can also just plop it down on a table (it comes with clamps) or even lean it against a table and hold it in your lap.

And here's what will seal the deal -you can weave a beautiful scarf in about 2 -3 hours! Leslie Ann, one of our teachers, wove a beautiful 70" x 6" scarf out of 1 skein of Misti Alpaca Hand paint sock yarn (437 yards, retail \$20.00) in a couple of hours. You can also weave runners, place mats, towels, fabric for bags and vests, etc, and all in a fraction of the time it would take you to knit or crochet the same item.

We are offering a one-day workshop on the flip loom on Saturday, June 28 for adults and kids ages 10 and up, and an afternoon class from July 7 – 11 for ages 6 – 9.

### **Other weaving news:**

**Weaving I Intensive**, July 14 – 19: 5 days of intensive weaving instruction for the beginners or those who need a review.

**Saori Weaving**, June 22: Improvisational free-style weaving from Japan. Beginners welcome. You will leave the class with a one-of-a-kind item you have woven yourself!

**Huck Lace**, July 23, August 6, 20: Huck lace is primarily a plain-weave cloth with either warp floats, weft floats, or a combination of both. Intermediate.

**4-End Block Weave for Rugs**, August 15 – 17: Renowned English weaver Jason Collingwood is back with a new approach to rug weaving. Don't miss this workshop if you can help it! Jason is a wonderful teacher and not bad to look at either!

**Next Week:** Intarsia: Love It or Hate It!