

NEWS

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WEBSITE ADDRESS: WWW.CRVC-EGA.ORG

CRVC is looking for your best work!

We are having an exhibit at the **Duncaster Gallery** for the month of February, 2016. There is space for 20-30 pieces, depending on size, including a small amount of shelf space for three-dimensional pieces.

The Gallery regularly shows professional artists, so we want to display our finest. They do not have to be from CRVC or EGA workshops - just quality design and stitching, including from kits. We would like a range of techniques, and also participation of as many members as possible. (The pieces brought for our anniversary luncheon were really impressive - maybe a few of those?)

Please contact Kathryn Lord with a description of any work you would like to loan for our exhibit: size, title, designer, stitcher, and primary techniques used (a photo would be helpful but not required). Duncaster covers insurance for theft or vandalism, so we'll need a rough estimate of value for those pieces we include.

Contact Kathryn at: hglord@cox.net or 860-653-0301 or 403 Salmon Brook Street, Granby CT 06035. If you cannot bring your pieces to Duncaster on January 30th, we will be happy to make arrangements to bring them to the site.

This promises to be an excellent showcase for CRVC, and we hope for good participation!

Saturday, December 5th

"Elegant Holiday Tree" designed by Mary Waldsmith

This ornament is a Petit Project in canvas work from the EGA Education Department, with a skill level of beginner, so it can be stitched up quickly.

It is worked on 18-count canvas, eggshell color with gold, in Neon Rays, Caron Impressions, Caron Watercolours, and Kreinik braid, all in tones of pale beige, cream and natural. Stitches include basketweave, Milanese, Cashmere, and Scotch (or Hesitation), with the braid mixed in with the other threads for added sparkle. Stitching hints and several suggestions for finishing are included. We hope to begin some of the finishing after lunch.

This meeting will take place at **Duncaster Senior Residence** in Bloomfield, CT.

A [coupon](#) is attached to the end of this newsletter. **The deadline for signing up is December 1st.** Please complete the registration coupon so we will know how many kits to prepare. Contact Linda Berry at lindaberry343@gmail.com if that is more convenient.

Location: Duncaster

Schedule for Saturday:

10 AM to 12:15 pm

Program

12:15 to 1 PM

Lunch and brief meeting

1 PM to 3:30 PM

Program

Although the picture following looks very silvery, the actual piece is an elegant rendering in off-whites.



Saturday, January 30th, 2016

Our February meeting will take place at **Duncaster Senior Residence** in Bloomfield, CT on this date, beginning at 9 am. Exhibit pieces will be handed over to those who will display them in their gallery.

The plans for the day are to have a stitch-in with plenty of advice available if you have problems with projects. Lunch will be available at noon, so plan to stay for the day.

Sunday, February 7th, 2016

A reception from 4 to 5:30 pm is being planned by **Duncaster** to thank us for putting on the exhibit. If you can possibly join us, we would like to have a good showing of members. Light refreshments are being offered, so please come and enjoy.

Friday & Saturday, April 8th and 9th, 2016 Annual Meeting and Class with Joni Stevenson

On Saturday, April 9th, we will hold our elections during the business meeting. Please contact Kathryn Lord (hglord@cox.net) or any other board member if you are willing to hold a position on the board. We are also happy to have nominations for any office.

A View from the Beach - Class with Joni Stevenson

A path across the dunes leads the viewer down to the ocean where a small boat sails across the waves. The water sparkles under a blue sky with a few puffy clouds overhead. The beach grass and beach roses add a warm contrast to the cool water beyond. This realistic scene relies on threads and stitches that are chosen for their ability to portray a realistic effect.

24 count Light Blue Congress Cloth

Random Long and Short, Random Leaf, Random Eyelet and Random Gobelin Stitches, Little Wavy Stitch, T-Stitch, Four Way Continental, Diagonal Couching Variation, Stem, Tent and Reverse Slant Tent Stitches.

The threads used are DMC cotton floss, variegated cotton floss, linen thread, cotton sewing thread, variegated silk and wool thread, silk floss, and metallic filament.

Proficiency Level: Advanced Intermediate

Design Size: 6 inches x 4.5 inches

Canvas Size: 10 inches x 9 inches

Kit Fee/Contents: \$75, 24-count Light Blue Congress cloth with line drawing, and all materials needed to complete the project, including instructions and photo



Location: **Duncaster Senior Residence** in Bloomfield, CT.

A [coupon](#) is attached to the end of this newsletter. **The deadline for signing up is March 8th, 2016.**

Friday & Saturday, June 3rd & 4th, 2016

"Bless This House" Sampler - Catherine Theron

This luscious sampler is worked on 32-count Summerstraw linen with a collection of silk & cotton threads in a palette of reds, greens, blues, browns, grays, & golds. The finished design size is 10" x 13".

The outer border features an undulating strawberry vine. The inner scene features two homes, a variety of trees, birds, & three beeskeeps.

The biblical verses "Bless this house oh Lord we pray" & "May the Lord Bless you & keep you & make his face to shine upon you" are floating in the sky between the homes.

Stitches used include Queen Stitch, Double Running Stitch, Double Upright Cross with Backstitch, Diagonal Cross with Long Arm Cross, Stem Stitch, Spiral Trellis, Smyrna Cross, Buttonhole Stitch, Chain Stitch, Petit Point, Cross-Stitch Over One, Slanted Gobelin, Backstitch, Roman Stitch, & variations of Satin Stitch.

Kit includes linen, practice fabric, needles, all threads, charts, & directions.

Linen used is 32-count
Advanced Intermediate level

Kit fee - \$140.00

Location: **Duncaster Senior Residence** in Bloomfield, CT

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FUTURE BOARD MEETING (All members are welcome)

Location: [Thistle Needleworks](#) at 10 am

Tues., Jan. 5th Tues., Mar. 1st Tues., May 3rd Tues., Sept. 13th Tues., Nov. 8th

Announcing the next Group Correspondence Course offered by the New England Region :

Meadow Medley (Teacher: Luan Callery)

While wandering through a meadow, one might find wild roses, clover, Queen Anne's lace, wild asters and golden rod. Or, one might sit comfortably at home stitching her own medley.

DMC floss on cotton broadcloth works well to bring these meadow flowers to life. The stitches and colors are planned to enhance the design with texture and dimension while honing your embroidery skills.

Diagrams and pictures appear throughout the text. Along with the cover photograph, there is an actual size photocopy of the piece detailing each and every stitch.

Stitches used include lazy daisy with a twist, split and satin stitch, outline, French knots, bullion knots and fly stitch. Long and short shading comes into play with the aster and wild rose. There are two types of padding and the tendrils add a touch of whimsy with the creation of finely twisted cord.



Teacher: Luan Callery

Project: Framed picture

Size: 5" x 8 1/2" stitched; inside frame measures 7" by 10 1/2"

Fabric: See project description

Threads: See project description

Colors: Yellow, green, pink, lavender, blue, and brown

Proficiency Level: Intermediate

Prerequisites: None

Time: 5 month

Supplies (approximate): \$15; DMC floss, broadcloth ground fabric

NER is paying all registration fees associated with the class. Each student pays only the cost of the instruction booklet and supplies, plus \$10.00 towards the postage costs.

The cost of the class is \$45.00, which includes the \$35.00 text fee and the \$10.00 postage fee. You will receive an instruction booklet (includes the felt, photograph, and actual size color copy of the stitched piece) for the class. You are responsible for providing all other supplies.

Registration deadline is **March 15, 2016**. Booklets will be received by the group leader approximately 8 to 10 weeks after that.

A registration form for the class is below.

Meadow Medley Group Correspondence Course Registration form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Preferred Phone: _____

Email: _____

EGA Membership Number (required): _____

The registration deadline is **March 15, 2016**.

Please send this form along with a check in the amount of \$45.00 made payable to "NER EGA" to:
Kari Boardman, 46 Alicia Drive, Taunton, MA 02780

CRVC Program Registration Form -- Meeting on December 5, 2015 at Duncaster

Mail completed form to: Linda Berry, 343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002.

Make check payable to CRVC-EGA. The deadline for signing up for this class is December 1st.

"Elegant Holiday Tree"

_____ Lunch Saturday (\$12)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone#: _____

CRVC Program Registration Form -- Class on April 8 & 9, 2016 at Duncaster

Mail completed form to: Linda Berry, 343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002.

Make check payable to CRVC-EGA. The deadline for signing up for this class is March 8th, 2016.

"A View from the Beach" - Class with Joni Stevenson

_____ Members' kit fee \$75 = \$75

_____ Non-members' kit fee \$75 plus class cost \$20 = \$95

_____ Lunch Friday (\$12)

_____ Lunch Saturday (\$12)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone#: _____

CRVC Program Registration Form -- Class on June 3 & 4, 2016 at Duncaster

Mail completed form to: Linda Berry, 343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002.

Make check payable to CRVC-EGA. The deadline for signing up for this class is April 30th, 2016.

"Bless This House" Sampler with Catherine Theron

_____ Members' kit fee \$140 plus class cost \$20 = \$160

_____ Non-members' kit fee \$140 plus class cost \$30 = \$170

_____ Lunch Friday (\$12)

_____ Lunch Saturday (\$12)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone#: _____

CRVC-EGA Membership

\$57. Primary Membership
\$15. Plural Membership (NER)
\$18. Plural Membership (not NER)

For a membership card, please enclose a SASE.

Amt. Pd. _____

Check # _____

Date Pd. _____
(keep as your receipt)

CRVC-EGA Membership and Address Change Form

The membership year runs from June 1 to May 31. If you are joining after September 1, please contact the membership chairman for prorated dues.

Mail your completed form to: Suzanne Newton, CRVC-EGA Membership, 14 Madison Lane, West Simsbury, CT 06092.

Make check payable to **CRVC-EGA**. Enclose SASE for membership card.

- Address Change
- CRVC Primary Membership (\$57)
- Plural Membership, Primary Chapter in New England Region (\$15)
- Plural Membership, Primary Chapter *not* in New England Region (\$18)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, ST, ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Primary Chapter: _____

Membership No. _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____