



CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER  
NEWS

*November 2023*

WEBSITE ADDRESS: [www.crvc-ega.org](http://www.crvc-ega.org)



**Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

**Zoom Class with Wendy Moore  
"Kimono Imperial Ornament"**



This delightfully sophisticated ornament finishes as a 4" x 4" Mini-Kimono. As an ornament, this kimono highlights a beautiful Bargello pattern in Imperial gold, red, and blue. Using DMC Floche, Kreinik metallics, DMC & ThreadworX over-dyed floss, and a few beads, this kimono will make an impression. You will explore how wonderfully the Bargello pattern fits into the kimono and stitch a unique variation of an octagonal Rhodes stitch. The kit will include the canvas, all the threads and beads, instructions and photos. Student will provide 8" stretcher bars (2 pair), laying tool, frame or frame weight, usual stitching supplies, and light and magnification if desired.

Class Schedule: 10 am to 1 pm via Zoom

**Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**

**Zoom Class with Terri Bay  
"Earth Spiral"**



Earth Spiral is a 4 ½" long Ukrainian Whitework spiral ornament. Earth is a 12" long and one inch wide strip of diagonal rows of Ukrainian Whitework. It is then wound into a spiral and joined using Ukrainian Insertion stitches. It is worked on 28 count linen with two sizes of Cottage Garden thread pearl cotton. Some of the stitches are pulled double cable, eyelet and mosaic. This is a basic/intermediate level class.

A [registration coupon](#) is provided for this meeting. Registration deadline is December 15, 2023.

Tentative Class Schedule: 10 am to 3 pm via Zoom

**Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Annual Meeting and  
Group Correspondence Course -  
"Jacobean Fantasy" by Kay Stanis**

We will have our Annual Meeting with the election of officers for 2024-2026 as well as starting our new Group Correspondence Course. We also plan to have a "Project Swap". Please bring any no-longer loved projects and we can swap with each other. Any projects not selected will be used for the fundraising efforts for our chapter.



Techniques include working Battlement couching, Burden stitch, chipping and "S"ing. Soft twist silks in solid and overdyes will be combined with braids, crimped purl, check purl, and pearl purl. For dimensional effects we will work the detached elements separately on sheer fabric in the creation of this exquisite embroidery. Students will be encouraged to use their own ideas in color and stitch interpretations.

**Type of project:** Picture

**Size:** 6" x 7.75" design on 12" x 12" silk foundation

**Skill Level:** Advanced

**Technique:** Silk and Metal embroidery on fabric with detached elements

**Length of Class:** Six lessons in 12 months

**Supplies (approximate):** \$80.00 for Materials, if provided directly by the teacher.

**DMC Floss Number for tassel:** #807

A [registration coupon](#) is provided for this meeting. Registration deadline is February 1, 2024.

## Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

We will continue our Group Correspondence class, **Jacobean Fantasy**, or you can work on any piece of your choice. We will have an in-person or Zoom option.

## Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024

We will again continue our Group Correspondence class, and will have an additional piece to work on.

## Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Class details are being finalized.

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## Chapter News

Please welcome our newest member – Deb Damrell.

**From our Outreach Chair, Kathryn Lord -- Pequot Colony Stitchers**, down on the shoreline, has arranged with the Groton Public Library to mount a display of CRVC work in April 2024. It will be installed on April 1, 2024 and uninstalled on April 30, 2024. Anyone interested in lending their work for this exhibit is urged to let Stephanie Thorp ([stephthorp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stephthorp@sbcglobal.net)) know asap, and either to send your items to her (1227 Flanders Road, Mystic, CT 06355) or to **Thistle Needleworks** in Wethersfield, CT where Stephanie will plan to pick them up by March 25, 2024.

Please also send the following information to Kathryn Lord ([hglord@cox.net](mailto:hglord@cox.net)) by March 1, 2024 so that she can make up the cards that will go with the displayed items.

- Stitcher's name
- Title of the piece, if there is one
- Designer's name, if known
- Publisher's information.
- Whether or not the piece was an EGA project.

Also please note that there is not suitable space for large pieces. Anything smaller than (horizontal) 18x12 or (vertical) 12x18 should work. It would be nice to show a variety of techniques as well as a variety of purposes; e.g., a couple of pillows, bookmarks, wall displays...we're very versatile!

After the exhibit has been dismantled, Stephanie will send your work back to you if you mailed it to her, or return it to **Thistle Needleworks** if that's where she picked it up.

**From our ByLaws Chair, Kathryn Lord --** By now you should have received three emails about the bylaws – one describing the process of approval and the few substantive changes that the 2023 revision contains, another with the attached full document that got left off the first email, and a third to establish a discussion specific email thread. If you have not received these, please check in your spam/junk folder, and if not there, contact Kathryn Lord at [hglord@cox.net](mailto:hglord@cox.net) for a re-send.

This is a mandated review that only happens once a decade, and requires the approval of the membership. We're doing it via email since we won't have an in-person meeting before the end of the year, when it's all due back at National for their final blessing.

**From our Nominating Committee** -- It is that time of year that we are looking for volunteers. Please contact any board member if you are interested!!! We will elect officers for 2024-2026 at our annual meeting in April 2024. If you are interested in filling one of the following positions, please contact any of the board members: President, Vice-President (Program), Vice-President (Membership), Secretary, Treasurer, NER delegate. Board members' contact information is on our website.

## New England Region News

The New England Region has a new website! It is spiffy and easy to navigate. Check it out at [www.ner-ega.org](http://www.ner-ega.org).

**Save the Date!** After a hiatus of a few years the NER Region Day is back, Saturday, April 27, 2024, at the Plymouth Church in Framingham, MA. Plans are for a morning speaker, lunch, and choice of 3-4 small classes in the afternoon. More information coming in early January. Region Day is always fun and informative, and a chance to catch up with far-flung friends.

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**FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS via Zoom**  
**(All members are welcome)**  
**Contact Judie Solomon ([see website](#)) if you want a Zoom invitation to any meeting**  
Meeting Dates for 2024: January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024,  
September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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CRVC Program Registration Form  
**"Earth Spiral" with Terri Bay -- February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**

Either email Linda at [lindaberry343@gmail.com](mailto:lindaberry343@gmail.com) or mail completed form and check to:  
Linda Berry, 343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002  
**Deadline: December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**"Earth Spiral" with Terri Bay**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$55 member kit fee (Check made payable to **CRVC-EGA**)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$75 non-member kit fee

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone#:** \_\_\_\_\_

CRVC Program Registration Form  
**Group Correspondence Course – Jacobean Fantasy -- April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Mail completed form and check to:  
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**Deadline: February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**Group Correspondence Course – Jacobean Fantasy**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$35 member kit fee (Check made payable to **CRVC-EGA**)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$55 non-member kit fee

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CRVC-EGA Membership**

\$57. Primary Membership

\$15. Plural Membership  
(NER chapter)

\$18. Plural Membership  
(not NER chapter)

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 and check to: Linda Berry, CRVC-EGA Membership,  
343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002

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

Address/Email 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 \$** \_\_\_\_\_