

2019 WWG UNCOMMON THREADS STANDARD

Standards Committee: Sally Starnes, Jacquie Vincent, Martha Tottenham, Janis Saunders, Nancy Baggott, Margaret Nichols

The Whidbey Weavers Guild is comprised of very creative people encompassing many facets of fiber art. Our sale provides a platform for the diversity and originality of all Guild Members whether you display a few or many items for sale.

General Standards for ALL Vendors:

1. All items for sale must be original work made by a Whidbey Weavers Guild Member whose membership is current as of September 15, 2019.
2. Items must be predominantly handmade using basketry, braiding, crocheting, dyeing, felting, fusion, handmade paper, knitting, spinning, tatting, or weaving.
3. Beading, embroidery, quilting, and sewing are accepted as enhancement to the above techniques only, not as individual items.
4. Items must be clean, finished, undamaged and free from odors (i.e. mildew, mothball, perfume, tobacco, etc.). Commercial components, such as pillow forms, must be new.
5. The appearance of purchased materials must be SIGNIFICANTLY changed by extensive use of one or more of the techniques listed in Item 2. Re-purposed items must not show wear and be significantly altered with handmade elements noted in Item 2.

Specific Standards by Genre:

- A. **Jewelry:** All jewelry must have a predominantly hand-dyed, hand-felted, or interlaced component done by the WWG Member.
- B. **Raw Fiber:** Packages of raw fiber, not exceeding one pound, of a members' own clean animal fibers, rovings, or batts may be sold. Packages need to be clearly identified with fiber content, weight in ounces, and care. No whole fleeces accepted.
- C. **Skeins:** Yardage must be stated on each handspun or hand-dyed commercial skein. Skeins must be identified as to care and fiber.
- D. **Framed Pieces and Wall Hangings** must be ready for hanging with wire securely attached. No other hangers are acceptable as they are hung on grids.
- E. **Small Tools of the Trade**, such as shuttles, spindles, and pick-up sticks, must be handmade by a WWG Member, suitable for the purpose intended, and approved by the Standards Committee.

WWG Standards Committee reserves the right to remove from display items that do not meet the above criteria.

We look forward to new items so please do not offer the same item for sale more than (3) three consecutive years.

If you have any questions about your items, please bring them to a monthly meeting for our review or contact one of the above-mentioned committee members.