

# Intro to Rigid Heddle Weaving with Sue Helmken

**Where:** Southern Arts Society, Inc (SASi)

**When:** Saturday March 6, 2021

**Time:** 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM (3 hours)

**Cost:** \$45 for SASi members; \$50 non-members

**Student Level:** Beginners to Intermediate

**For Students Ages 18 and up**

**Class Size: Limited to 6 Students**

(Masks must be worn and seating will be provided 6 ft apart)

## What you will learn:

The simple design of rigid heddle looms make them the perfect weaving loom for anyone wishing to learn the craft. They're perfect for all skill levels and allow you to sample a wide variety of yarns and techniques. Rigid heddle looms are affordable, easy to set up, lightweight and portable. There are so many creative things you can do with a rigid heddle loom! The most common types of projects are scarves, placemats, dishtowels, or shawls. You can also weave fabric and then sew it with other fabrics to create garments or bags. If you have a stash of yarns from knitting or crocheting, those can all be used on these looms.

For this class, the looms will already be set up. I'll briefly demonstrate how to set up the loom, then we'll dive right into weaving. We'll cover color blending, creating texture, lace techniques, pick-up, knotting/shag and more. A wide variety of yarns will be available for you to sample and explore. You'll leave with a colorful sampler and a greater understanding of the weaving process.

**All materials will be provided:** dressed looms, weft yarns [in a variety of sizes, colors and textures], shuttles, scissors, tapestry needles, and instructions. If you have some yarns you would like to try, bring them along. The loom is provided for use only during the class.

**Call SASi today to make your reservation 704-739-5585. Leave message if needed. Pre-payment is required to hold your seat in the class.**

**Maximum Attendance: Limited to 6 attendees to provide for social distancing.**

**Students must wear a mask...** we will have hand sanitizers and wipes available and table will be wiped down prior to your attendance. **Bring your own refreshments** (I.e., coffee, breakfast item) **If you should be not feeling well or have a fever, please do not attend ... but please advise us (if you've signed up) that you will not be attending.**

**Note to Students:** Please Arrive Early for your class so the instructor may start on time. Doors open ½ hour prior to class for you to set up. Be aware of time for lunch breaks. Always be respectful of other students and limit interruptions during class. **During class, Please turn your cell phone ringer Off and take phone calls outside of the classroom. Thank You!**

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