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2024 PROGRAMS SCHEDULE

SEP 7 – WORKSHOPS AND TRUNK SHOW – Caren Johannes – Wire Wrapped Pendant and Wire Wrapped Earrings

OCT 5 – Bead In, Playdate – Ropes: Faux Bead Crochet

OCT 19 - RMBS Trunk Show

NOV 2 – Bead In, UFO Challenge Awards

DEC 7 – Holiday Luncheon

OUR NEXT MEETING IS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024, 9:00 A.M.-NOON.

SEPTEMBER MEETING (9/7) – GENERAL MEETING AND WIRE WRAPPING WORKSHOPS WITH CAREN JOHANNES AND TRUNK SHOW

We will have a brief meeting on September 7, 2024, starting at 9:00 a.m. followed by wire wrapping workshops taught by Caren Johannes and a bead-in. Registration has closed for Caren's workshops. Caren's workshops will be in one of the smaller classrooms and not in the large meeting room.

Caren and her husband, Bob, are owners of The Amethyst Rose located in Westminster, Colorado. Bob has been cutting stones for almost 50

years and Caren does all the wire wrapping for their pieces. Caren also teaches wire wrapping for Desert Gems in Lakewood, Colorado. Caren and Bob will also have a mini trunk show with additional stones, wire and chains for purchase by members. Members will receive a 30% discount off marked prices for any stones purchased in the trunk show. The trunk show will be held in the large meeting room.

We will also have election of officers at our November meeting. If you have any interest in holding an office with the RMBS, please reach out to Clare by or at the September meeting.

POLYMER CLAY WORKSHOP (9/28)

The Mile High Polymer Clay Guild is hosting an In-Person and Online via Zoom Workshop taught by Alice Stroppel on "Cane Mapping." The Guild has generously opened registration to members of the RMBS at membership rates. The cost is \$85. The workshop will be held Saturday, September 28, 2024, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. The In-Person location will be at the Green Mountain Presbyterian Church, 12900 W Alameda Parkway, Lakewood CO 80228.

If you love mosaics and polymer clay, if you love the look of complex canes but simply don't want to create a giant complex cane, if you love one of a kind pieces, and if you have tons of left over canes, this is the class for you! You'll learn the basics by mapping a fish portrait and a butterfly. She'll show you a few unexpected canes and different slices



that you can incorporate into your designs. This is an intermediate class and having some Skinner blended canes in your stash will make your designs pop. You'll learn the basics by mapping a butterfly or fish portrait like the ones pictured here. She'll provide lots of butterflies and fish for you to choose from. Plus, Alice will demo her Stroppel cane and we'll have fun incorporating some slices into our designs. Alice uses several older canes but often makes many new canes as needed

for each piece, and we can make a few. So be sure to gather lots of your older canes and pre-made Skinner blend plugs for the new ones you'll make. She uses quite a few extruded bits and you will go over those as well. You can register for this workshop here: https://www.mhpcg.org/AS2024WorkshopRegister.html.

OCTOBER MEETING (10/5)

Join us on October 5 for a regular meeting followed by a playdate featuring faux bead crochet (also known as tubular brick stitch). As with our other playdates, this will be instruction only – no kits or supplies will be provided. Members will need to bring their own supplies. To learn this technique, it is recommended you use size 8 or 11 seed beads in four to six colors consistent in size and shape (i.e., all Miyuki, all Toho, or all Czech/Preciosa). Thread is also recommended over Fireline or Nano-Fil as these make the rope a little stiffer than may be desirable. Pattern designs will be available for members to follow, if desired.



THE TRUNK SHOW (10/19)

Almost all vendor spaces have been filled for the Trunk Show on Saturday, October 19. You won't want to miss this event. Vendors include Marcia Kmack, Crazy Woman Glass, The Bead Parlor, Bright Star Gemstones, Rachel's Paint Skins, Jessie Rae Studio, Star Mountain Trading, Perfect Pearl - Fine Stones, Alisa Hjermstad with a Nudge of Nature, Soulful Studio, Urban Toadstool Beads, Cassie Krehbiel, with space available for two more vendors. Many of these are returning vendors so you already know what fantastic finds there will be!

NOVEMBER MEETING (11/2)

If you have any UFOs you are working on, time is running out to complete them and get them entered into the UFO Challenge. Winner(s) will be selected by random drawing from all who have completed and entered finished pieces. Following the meeting and drawing, we will have a bead-in so you can get a head start on next year's UFO Challenge!

DECEMBER MEETING (12/7) - HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Planning is underway for the holiday luncheon. Stay tuned for more information!

ROCKY MOUNTAIN JEWELRY ARTS RAFFLE -APRIL 2025

The Rocky Mountain Jewelry Arts Raffle has hit the ground

running. To date, we have received commitments for over 48 prizes valued at over \$7,500. More prizes are forthcoming. Our Raffle team is doing a fantastic job! We do have one area that could use some help – we would like to create a logo for the Raffle and are looking for a member who might have experience in graphic design. If you think you'd be able to help, please let Diane Kremer or Debra Edell know.

KING SOOPERS COMMUNITY REWARDS

RMBS receives donations quarterly through the King Soopers Community Rewards program based upon amounts spent at King Soopers by registered participants – you don't have to do anything other than sign up! If you haven't signed up, instructions are here: https://rockybeads.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/FREE-MONEY-FOR-RMBS-1.pdf.

GALLERY AT THE LOWRY CONFERENCE CENTER

The Gallery display cases at the Lowry Conference Center are looking bare! If you would like to display any of your pieces in the Gallery, please bring your pieces to a meeting. New work is always welcome, especially your work completed in our ongoing UFO challenge! Helen Littlejohn is coordinating the receipt and display of all pieces, as well as any sale of pieces a member offers for sale. Pieces on display do not have to be for sale, they can be for display only. Helen's contact information is helenwlittlejohn@gmail.com or (303) 907-4589. If you haven't already, please take some time to view the wonderful work in the showcase.

WEBSITE UPDATE

Please note that the upgrade for the website, rockybeads.org, is now planned for later in September. Members will be notified by email prior to the upgrade being completed as the website may be unavailable during this upgrade.

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UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS

2024 Whole Bead Show Pop-Up Denver - Tuesday September 3, 2024, 12:00 pm-6 pm, Springhill Suites Denver North Westminster, 6845 W 103rd Ave., Westminster. Free admission and free parking. EVERYONE WELCOME! This show is open to the general public. Current exhibitors (subject to change) are:

- Artrade Jewelry, Netsuke, Stones, Vintage
- Ava Motherwell Collection Buttons, Chain, Clasps, Findings, Glass Beads, Handmade Glass, Jewelry, Lampwork, Pendants, Vintage, Wholesale Discounts
- Blue Heron Bead Company Glass Beads, Jewelry, Vintage, Wholesale Discounts
- Gretchen Simons Art Art Glass Beads
- Moon Rabbit Originals Finished Jewelry
- Pan's Trading Fresh Water Pearl and Gemstones
- Silver & Gem Design Sterling Silver Findings, Brass Findings, Gemstone Beads, Swarovski Crystal Beads
- Wampum Magic Jewelry, Shell, Wampum (Shell) Beads and Jewelry
- Yayin Glassworks Handmade Glass, Lampwork, Wholesale Discounts

Denver Gem and Mineral (Fall) Showcase – September 5-15, 2024, 11 days and 11 separate shows featuring thousands of vendors and exhibitors displaying and selling rocks, minerals rough or handsomely prepped, sleek gemmy treasures, crystals crying out to heal all that ails ya, zillion-year-old fossils, and brazen beads. More information regarding the shows, locations and dates can be found here: https://xpopress.com/showcase/profile/2/denver-gem-mineral-fall-showcase#:~:text=Overview%3A,old%20fossils%2C%20and%20brazen%20beads.