

## ON-LINE RESOURCES

**Clara Parkes** is an American author, yarn critic, and wool expert. Ms. Parkes, a *New York Times* bestselling author, has been described as "quite possibly the only writer you will ever read who can make a discussion of micron counts absolutely riveting." (*Wikipedia*). [www.Claraparkes.com](http://www.Claraparkes.com)

**Knitter's Review.** Founded in 2000 and written by *Clara Parkes*, Knitter's Review explores the yarns, tools, books, events, techniques, and people who shape our knitting experiences. [www.Knittersreview.com](http://www.Knittersreview.com)

**The Wool Channel** is a member-supported platform, publication, and community dedicated to giving wool a voice in the world. [www.thewoolchannel.com](http://www.thewoolchannel.com)

**Philly Fiber Flock** is a private Facebook group and a group member needs to review your request to join this group. It shares local "crafty" happenings from fiber arts to candle and soap making to photography and beyond. It posts gatherings of different groups and events.

**Ravelry** is a free website for knitters, crocheters and fiber artists. It is a community site, an organizational tool and a yarn and pattern database for knitters and crocheters. [www.Ravelry.com](http://www.Ravelry.com)

**YouTube.** Type in your interest and enjoy what comes up in your search. [Www.youtube.com](http://Www.youtube.com)

Who are the people who made  
this list, you might ask?

This information has been put together by the Fiber Arts Group of Falls of Schuylkill Library. We meet at the Library which is at 3501 Midvale Avenue in the East Falls neighborhood of Philadelphia. We meet every Tuesday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on the second Monday of the month from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

As long as the Library is open, we meet.

Please join us!

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# Fiber Arts Resource Guide

Falls of Schuylkill Library  
Fiber Arts Group



# There are many resources for fiber arts. Here are just a few.

## THE FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA

Access the website at [www.freelibrary.org](http://www.freelibrary.org) and place your fiber arts topic in the topic search. You'll be rewarded with many items to choose from. As a Library patron, you can take out library books and DVDs on the fiber arts just like you have checked out these knitting needles.

## LOCAL YARN SHOPS

Shops are listed in alphabetical order. To find out if classes are held please call the shop or visit their website.

**Kelbourne Woolens** — Mt. Airy.  
Phone 267-766-5480  
[www.kelbournewoolens.com](http://www.kelbournewoolens.com)

**Loop** — Center City  
Phone 215-893-9939  
[www.loopyarn.com](http://www.loopyarn.com)

**Luv2Knit** — Jenkintown, PA.  
Phone 267-886-2000  
[www.luv2knitandmore.com](http://www.luv2knitandmore.com)

**Stitch Central** —  
Huntington Valley, PA.  
Phone 267-277-4146  
[www.StitchCentral.com](http://www.StitchCentral.com)

**Wild Hand** — Mt. Airy  
Phone 267-766-5239  
[www.wild-hand.com](http://www.wild-hand.com)

**Yarnphoria** — Center City.  
Phone 215-923-0914  
[www.Yarnphoria.com](http://www.Yarnphoria.com)

## RESOURCES FOR LOCAL GROUPS

**Liberty Bell Knit Guild** – this group, as of July 2023, meets on Zoom on the second Monday evening of each month and meets in person on a regular basis. As their web site is being constructed, please see their info in the Groups section on Ravelry and/or email the Falls of Schuylkill Fiber Arts group for more information at [fallsfriendsfiberartsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:fallsfriendsfiberartsgroup@gmail.com)

**Philadelphia Guild of Handweavers & Spinners** – is a non-profit organization that aims to foster the art and craft of weaving and the fiber arts. They are located at 3705 Main Street in the Manayunk section of Philadelphia. [www.pghw.org](http://www.pghw.org)



## YEARLY EVENTS

**Knitter's Day Out** - is a non-profit event that began in 1985. The goal of KDO is to make high quality knitting instruction affordable and accessible and to keep knitting traditions flourishing by enlisting nationally recognized knitting instructors and talented regional teachers for a weekend of instruction and friendship that celebrates both traditional and contemporary knitting techniques. The event takes place the last weekend in September at Central Penn College in Summerdale, PA. <https://knittersdayout.org>.

**Local Yarn Store Day** - Local Yarn Store Day was started in 2017 and is a celebration of local, brick & mortar yarn shops all over the world. The event brings a community of fiber arts folks to celebrate their crafts and the benefits of locally owned yarn stores. It is held each year in the spring. <https://localyarnstoreday.com>.

**Worldwide Knit in Public Day** is celebrated on the second Saturday of June. The holiday is meant to showcase knitting as an enjoyable activity by knitting in public spaces. Danielle Landes started Worldwide Knit in Public Day in 2005 and it is the world's largest knitting event. <https://www.wkipday.com>.

**Pottstown Knit Out** is held in January. Proceeds go to Stretch the Ride which benefits individuals with cancer and their families. Vendors bring a wide variety of yarns and tools to this annual event. <https://www.pottstownknitout.com/>

## SHEEP & WOOL FESTIVALS

These regional fiber festivals are wonderful events to attend.

**Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival** – [www.sheepandwool.org](http://www.sheepandwool.org)

**New Jersey Sheep and Fiber Festival** – [www.njsheep.net](http://www.njsheep.net)

**New York State Sheep & Wool Festival** – [www.dutchessfair.com](http://www.dutchessfair.com)