

Madison Bead Society Newsletter

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June/July 2011



June Meeting: Cabochons

Date: June 27, 2011

When: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Where: Oakwood Village West, Heritage Oaks Bldg.
(Intersection of Mineral Point Rd. and Island Dr.)

Instructor: Gail Piper

This workshop will teach you how to stitch around cabochons. (Please note: due to limited time of the workshop, attendees will not be able to complete a project as shown in the example photo.) The goal of this workshop is to learn the basics needed to begin working with cabochons and how to stitch a around the cab; there will also be discussion about finishing the back, creating a picot edge and adding fringe. We will also discuss how to expand upon your piece to create a cab work of wearable art. The bead Society will provide a stone cabochon pre-mounted by Gail and ready to use.

Members who claimed a cab at the April meeting should bring size 11/0 seed beads for the edge around that cab. Please refer to the photo if you do not remember the color you chose. Some seed beads will be available for purchase the night of class. If you did not choose a cab in April, there will be a few available at the workshop.

Supplies: Needle and thread you are most comfortable working with (color of thread should blend with your beads); thread conditioner; a few colors of size 11 seed beads; beading mat or surface to work on; scissors; task light would be helpful.

Special Request & Comments: A cabochon mounted on a piece of backing material will be provided by MBS. The cabochons colors are as shown in the photos.

NOTE: If you have cabs at home you have purchased and are at a loss as to how to work with them, bring them along for discussion purposes. Also, if you have cabochon projects completed to share with us that evening, please bring them along.

UW Hospital Display

This September, MBS will again have a display at the UW hospital—this is the 8th time we have displayed there. It is a chance for the society to reach out to potential new members and gives us an opportunity to sell. Display items are sold through the Hospital's gift shop (20% of sales is donated to the Hospital's art fund). Last year, we sold 12 items for a total of \$531.

You may drop off your submission (no more than 3 pieces) at the Bead Bin during the week of August 22-28. Each item needs to be accompanied by a card (available at the Bead Bin), giving the artist's name, title or name of the piece, technique used, and the price (tax not included). If you do not want to sell a piece, write NFS next to the price (a price is required for all items for insurance purpose). Each item plus card needs to be in its own small plastic bag, and the 3 small plastic bags need to be in a larger plastic bag. This permits the exhibitor to pick and choose items for the display. The exhibitor will have a nice variety to work with if we collect 40-50 pieces. We will send an email if we have fewer than that and need more.

The display will go up around Labor Day and will be taken down at the end of September. Wally Brinkmann (who is coordinating this) will return all unsold items, as well as checks or cash for items sold, at the October MBS meeting. Let her know if you need your items before that date. Any items not picked up at the October MBS meeting will be available at the Bead Bin a couple of days after the meeting. Wally will send a check amounting to 20% of all items sold to the Hospital's art fund. Artists who had items sold need to reimburse her. Email Wally if you have any questions (wabrinkm@wisc.edu).

July Meeting: Annual Meeting

Date: July 25th

When: 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Location: Benvenuto's Italian Grill

1849 Northport Dr. (www.benvenutos.com)

We will be meeting in a restaurant for our annual meeting. You are welcome to arrive at 6:00 to order supper; the meeting will begin with announcements at 6:30.

The annual meeting is when we elect officers for the 2011-2012 program year. Please consider running for one of the officer positions. Take part in the planning of this upcoming year as we move the Fine Art Show to the Exhibition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center.

The bead challenge will also be judged at the annual meeting. Bring your object de art and a before picture, or at least a "before description." We look forward to seeing jewelry turned into objects. As beadwers, we usually work the other way around.

Note from editor: Bring your favorite beading book to the July meeting. I'm compiling a list for our members to use. Thanks for your help and see you in July.

Pat Reichert, Editor

Fine Art and Craft Show: Vendor Information

Our annual fall Fine Art and Craft Show will be held at the Exposition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center, Nov. 19 and 20, 2011. Tables will be made available to members only until August 31st, after which any remaining tables will be available to non members. The table rent for members is \$100 for a whole table, and \$60 for a half table. For non members it will be \$110 for a whole table and \$70 for a half table. The final deadline for tables, assuming any last that long, will be October 30th.

Contact Ingrid at ingridthecrafty@yahoo.com or call 608-249-8795 for more information.

MBS is now on Facebook!! Won't you be our friend? ☺

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sfm=1#!/pages/Madison-Bead-Society/146773198696019>

2011 Schedule

June 4-12

Bead & Button Show
(Milwaukee)

June 27

Oakwood Village West --
Cabochons

July 25

To Be Announced – Annual
Meeting (elections and
bead challenge judging)

August 22

Oakwood Village West –
Bead Swap

August 22-28

Deliver your UW Hospital
display pieces to the Bead
Bin or bring to August
meeting

September

UW Hospital display

September 26

TBA

October 24

TBA

November 19 & 20

MBS Fine Art Show and
Sale

November 28

TBA

December (no meeting)

2011 Bead Challenge: From Jewelry to Object de Art!

Got an old necklace, bracelet, broach, or earrings you don't wear anymore?
Use them in this year's challenge! The rules are simple:

- 1) You must use at least 75% of the original piece (more is better!)
- 2) You can add whatever you want
- 3) The finished piece cannot be jewelry.

Make something functional, a display piece, or something wearable (hat, shoe, belt) – as long as it's not jewelry. 75% of your piece has to be in the finished item but it does not have to be 75% of the finished piece; it could be as little as 10% (meaning, you added a lot), or as much as 100% (meaning, you didn't add anything) of your finished piece. A "before" picture would be great!

Judging will be at the July meeting (location to be determined).

President's Column

This has been a great year for the Bead Society. It was exciting to be the featured Bead Society for May on the Soft Flex website. I hope you got to see us featured on a nationwide website.

The May meeting hosted by Midnight Moon and Diakonos in Stoughton was wonderful. I love seeing what everyone does with the same beads and their imagination and creativity. I was surprised to win for Best Design...What a Blast! Bead & Button was great! I know you all had a great time and are now broke -- but smiling!

Do you have your plan for the Bead Challenge? Don't forget to bring your entry to the July meeting. I've started mine and hope it works out the way I envision. Don't forget we will be meeting thru the summer months since we decided to take December and January off. I would like to see you at the June and July meetings.

Carla Stemmer, The Head Bead

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