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Saturday, May 21, Meeting Information

10:00-10:30 A.M. -- Refreshments and Socializing
10:30 A.M.-12:00 noon -- Meeting and Gwen Fisher's
Presentation

Come chase away San Diego's "May Gray" at this Saturday's meeting, where our guest speaker will be sharing how she uses a mathematical approach to creating her amazing bead designs!

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***Our May 21 Speaker: Gwen Fisher from Bead Infinitum***

***Topic: "Mathematical Bead Weaving"***



Gwen Fisher is an artist, mathematician, teacher, and learner. She has a Ph.D. in Mathematics Education, and is a former Professor of Mathematics at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. She uses mathematics -- including geometry, symmetry, topology, and algorithms -- as inspiration for the structure of her creations.

In her presentation for us, Gwen will explore is going to explore the ways in which mathematical design influences her bead work.



As Gwen will explain, a bead is anything with a hole, and a hole is an oriented line segment in three dimensions. So there are straightforward methods for using beads and thread to represent many geometric objects composed of line segments. Examples of this idea include tilings (tessellations) and polyhedra, such as cubes.

During her talk, Gwen will show many examples of how she translates these kinds of

mathematical objects into beautiful beaded objects, and she will also explain how the notion of "symmetry" helps her organize all of the many possibilities. She's also going to be sharing lots of "eye candy" in beautiful photos that showcase her work.



Come explore the fascinating world of mathematical designs at Gwen's May 21 presentation!

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Sign up today for these upcoming classes!

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**"Beaded Starburst Galaxy" Class Offered by Gwen Fisher**

**Sunday, May 22, 2016  
10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.**



# The Beaded Starburst Galaxy

SUNDAY May 22, 2016  
10:00am - 4:00pm  
Class Fee \$ 60  
Downloadable Pattern



**GWEN FISHER**

The Beaded Starburst Galaxy is a collection of 3-dimensional beaded stars in different sizes and shapes, all made with the same set of bead weaving techniques. Make stars with anywhere from three to eight (or more!) points in four different sizes. The instructions show 16 different stars, with our favorites in several color ways. Each star is a beaded bead with holes at the tip of the points. Stars have open centers that you can fill with round beads, rivoli crystals, montees, and even buttons.

[www.etsy.com/listing/285941783/](http://www.etsy.com/listing/285941783/)

For this class, Gwen will be emailing a downloadable copy (as a PDF file) of the pattern to everyone who signs up for the class, which will be for your personal use only. You will need to either print the pattern ahead of time on your own, or bring along the digital copy to work from during class.

If you would like to sign up for Gwen's class, please go to the San Diego Bead Society's [website](#), where you can pay for your spot with a credit card or PayPal.

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"Byzantine Bauble" Class Offered by Teresa Sullivan

Sunday, May 22, 2016
10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Byzantine Bauble

SUNDAY June 19, 2016
10:00am - 4:00pm
Class Fee \$ 60
intermediate level



A hollowform sculptural piece that uses two types of increasing and decreasing and allows for variations for those who like to experiment.

Familiarity with tubular peyote stitch is required.



Teresa Sullivan

If you would like to sign up for Teresa's class, please go to the San Diego Bead Society's [website](#), where you can pay for your spot with a credit card or PayPal.

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## Important Announcements:

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Bead Bazaar Planning Is in the Works:

Mark your calendars! Our 17th annual Bead Bazaar will take place on August 6 and 7 this year at its usual location at the Scottish Rite Center in Mission Valley. The Bead Bazaar is our main fundraiser, and it's a fabulous way to feed your bead addiction, while also supporting the Bead Society and our wonderful speakers and programs. Please see the [Bead Bazaar page](#) on our website for more details and information.

We are also still accepting applications if you would like a booth to sell your work at the Bazaar. You may also share a booth with other Bead Society members if you'd like to split the cost. Please see our [vendors' page](#) on the website for fees and details, and to download a copy of the contract.

Consider Teaching a "Make-and-Take" Class at the Bead Bazaar:

Would you like to teach a class at the Bazaar as a "Make and Take"? If so, look for more information and an application on the [Make-and-Take Classes page](#) of our [website](#).

The deadline to submit projects to teach as Make-and-Takes for our Bead Bazaar is **Monday, June 6, 2016**.

Steampunk Meets Alice in Wonderland: Volunteer to Bead during Demo Days at the San Diego County Fair:

Each year, Viola Sullivan, our Special Events Coordinator and Parliamentarian, organizes volunteers to help with Demo Days at the San Diego County Fair, the theme for which is "Mad about the Fair." Volunteers get *free admission* for themselves and one guest to the fair that day, and essentially demo for fair-goers what we do best: beading! Please check [the website](#) for a list of dates and more information, and send Viola an email at violabeads@san.rr.com if you'd like to volunteer. It's a fun way to meet other members -- and you get to spend the day beading and talking about beading!

Win a Free Book at Saturday's Meeting:

Dr. Robert Liu from *Ornament* magazine has kindly donated some books to the Bead Society, and we'll be giving away a few books at each of our next meetings! Be

sure to arrive early if you'd like to enter your name in the free drawing.

Balboa Park Parking:

There are no special events programmed in Balboa Park for Saturday, May 21, but always allow yourself ample time to find parking for our meetings. For a parking map, please visit Balboa Park's [Parking and Tram Website](#).

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**WIN THE BEAD JAR IN 2016**  
**Don't forget your bead contribution to the jar so you can win the whole jar!**  
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Membership ~ Renewals ~ Badges

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If you haven't yet paid your 2016 membership dues, you can do so today by clicking on one of the buttons below, or by [filling out the form at this link](#). Please note that the SDBS no longer offers prorated rates for membership renewals, so renew today to take advantage of all the [benefits of SDBS membership](#).



Single Membership - \$25



Family Membership - \$35  
(please enter name of second family member in the comment field)

The Membership Desk will be available 30 minutes prior to the meeting for membership renewals, new member applications, and badge pick-up. Forms will be available to update your information. *Please note that the Membership Desk will not be available while the meeting is in session.*

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