## **Enrichment Grant Overview**

\$500 to \$1000

## APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>

<u>The purpose</u> of this Grant Program is to provide an opportunity for professional direction/feedback and a \$500 to \$1000 grant to an individual or group to pursue an intensive study, of up to one year in duration, in weaving, spinning or related fiber-art. Goals include:

- Furthering the enrichment of OWG members and the community in weaving and other fiber-related fields.
- Encouraging members to undertake new, in-depth learning that will promote their technical and aesthetic development.
- Encouraging and inspiring members to make a commitment to themselves and to the guild.
- Providing financial support.
- Offering a forum for sharing the results of the study.

## How does it work?

- Grant applications are available at guild meetings or on the OWG website.
- Members of at least one year in good standing may apply.
- Your application is "handed to" or sent by US Mail to the Grants Chair who reviews it and sends it to a professional fiber-artist to be judged.
- The judge is selected by the Grants Chair in consultation with the guild president and is paid \$100. Judges may not be members of our guild and will not see applicant name(s).
- Applications are due April 1<sup>st</sup> and the award will be announced at the June guild meeting.
- All proposals are kept confidential. (Only the Grants Chair knows the name(s) of applicants.)
- Financial needs of the applicant are not a consideration.
- All proposals and applications will be returned with a letter from the judge.
- Recipients of the grant will be responsible for presenting a program or show to the guild within the calendar year of completing their project in consultation with the recipient(s) and the Board.
- A notebook about the project will be prepared to keep in the library.
- OWG expects that the money will be returned to the Guild if the recipient does not finish the project or present a program as defined in the contract.