

Los Angeles Basketry Guild and Misti Washington Gourd & Basket Guild
 Proudly Present Deb Curtis Special Classes
 March 15 & 16 and March 22 & 23, 2025
 (Four 1-day, 8-hour Workshops)

For many years, Deb Curtis has been creating and teaching contemporary baskets, linking traditional basket materials with tapestry weaving, beading, stitching and surface design. By combining a variety of techniques and blending colors, she creates "new" baskets, changing the character of a basket from a functional vessel to a container that expresses a concept. Her artwork has been shown in scores of exhibits, and she has learned from several masters of traditional basketry techniques. She continues to combine this knowledge with new styles using a variety of fiber techniques. To explore her artwork and read her blog sharing thoughts and inspirations you might enjoy, check out her website: <https://www.wovenfiredesigns.com/>.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! Classes are for all levels of basketry experience. Price covers class fee, teacher expenses and materials, most of which are hand-prepared by the teacher. Tools to bring vary for each class and a list will be available for download on the LABG (www.labasketryguild.org) and MWGBG (www.baskets-gourds.com) websites.

Make check payable to MWGBG. When mailing your check, include a note with your name, email address, phone number, and class choice(s) and mail to: MWGBG, c/o Willie Ziegler, 1120 Pepper Drive, Spc. 159, El Cajon, CA, 92021. Email Willie Ziegler (wznvrhpn@aol.com) and let her know you've mailed a check, what classes you want to register for and if you have any questions. Exact location of classes will be shared after registration is confirmed. Registration Deadline: March 12, 2025. \$25.00 fee for cancellations before March 8 and no refunds after March 8, 2025.

Two Classes in Los Angeles Area
 (Los Angeles, CA 90046)
 Saturday & Sunday, March 15 & 16
 8:30am - 5:00pm

Two Classes in San Diego Area
 (El Cajon, CA 92021)
 Saturday & Sunday, March 22 & 23
 8:30am - 5:00pm



SATURDAY, 3/15:
Willow Bark Lattice Twined Pouch - \$125
Using willow bark and cotton cord bark you'll weave a rectangular pouch. The basket doesn't sit on a table but can be suspended by a handmade cord or a small loop attached to the back.
Materials include: Willow bark and cotton cord.
Size: 4" wide, 7" tall. Max 12 students.



SATURDAY, 3/22:
Knitted or Crocheted Willow Bark Basket - \$135
Knit or crochet a sculptural basket using willow bark as the "yarn." Heavier willow bark will be used for the sides and rim if you decide to add one.
Project size varies. Max 15 students.
MUST BE ABLE to Crochet OR knit and purl already.

SUNDAY, 3/16:
Cedar Bark Sewing Needle Case - \$105
Starting with a 2-2 twill mat with twining around all the edges, you'll create a case that is for storing and taking your needles with you. The wool interior will help keep the needles clean and sharp.
Materials include: Cedar bark, waxed linen, wool, button, thread and elastic.
Size: 2 3/4" X 3 1/2" X 1/2". Max 15 students.



SUNDAY, 3/23:
Birch Bark Cylinder - \$115
Learn the basics of working with birch bark and different rim treatments. Footers and two methods of attaching the base will be shown. Students will complete at least one birch bark cylinder in class. Materials will be provided for two shorter cylinders or one taller one.
Materials include: birch bark, waxed linen, choice of palm inflorescences, cedar bark or veneer for rims and footers.
Project size varies. Max 12 students.

