

Madison Bead Society

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President Letter – April 2019

UW Hospital Display – May 2019

This May, MBS will again have a display at the **UW hospital**—this is the 13th 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 are donated to the Hospital’s art fund).

Members may submit up to 6 pieces (we are asking for a mix of large pieces, such as necklaces, chunky bracelets, chunky earrings; and small pieces, such as earrings or simple bracelets). You can bring them to the **April 22nd** MBS meeting. Or you can drop off your submission at [Meant to Bead](#) (201 E. Main St., Sun Prairie) between **April 23rd and 26th**.

Each item needs to be accompanied by a card (available at our April meeting or at *Meant to Bead*), 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 value is required for all items for insurance purpose). Each item, plus card, needs to be in its own small plastic bag, and the 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 about 80 pieces. We will send an email if we have fewer than that and need more.

Wally Brinkmann will return all unsold items, as well as checks or cash for items sold, at the June 24th MBS meeting. Let her know if you need your items before that date. Any items not picked up at the June meeting will be available at *Meant to Bead* a couple days after the meeting. Wally will send a check to the Hospital’s art fund amounting to 20% of all items sold. Artists who had items sold are required to reimburse her.

Email Wally if you have any questions (wabrinkm@wisc.edu).


<p>Madison Bead Society</p> <p>Title: <u>EXAMPLE</u></p> <p>Artist: _____</p> <p>Technique: _____</p> <p>Price: <u>NFS</u></p> <p>www.MadsionBeadSociety.org info@madisonbeadsociety.org</p>	
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Illustration of display card, which is the size of a business card.

April 22nd Meeting: Beaded Chains

Location: Meant to Bead, 201 East Main St., Sun Prairie, 6:00 p.m. board meeting, regular meeting 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Supplies to bring: seed beads (size 10 or 11) in 2 or 3 colors; beading thread of your choice; needle; bead mat; scissors

What better place to discuss and try out some beaded chains than at a bead store? A big thank you to Shannon for letting us meet at her store. Below are links to some spiral beaded chains I thought might work for the spiral wire wrap pendants we made at the March meeting. This meeting also expands on the April 2018 meeting where Teresa went over the basics of spiral stitch.

Simple spiral: <https://www.interweave.com/article/beading/how-to-stitch-an-easy-spiral-rope/>

Dutch spiral: <https://www.thesprucecrafts.com/simplified-dutch-spiral-stitch-339829>

Twisted herringbone: <https://thisyearsdozen.wordpress.com/2010/12/22/how-to-make-a-twisted-herringbone-bracelet/>

Russian spiral: https://www.interweave.com/article/beading/free-how-to-stitch-russian-spiral/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_campaign=bd-tho-nl-170324-JillWiseman&utm_content=931207_EDT_BD170324&utm_medium=email

Closing thoughts: AGBS and the future

As always, I spent more money than I planned at the Art Glass and Bead Show; I also spent more time there than I planned. Next year I'm proposing putting out some updated MBS brochures instead of paying for and staffing a table.

I'm also proposing some changes for the next program year, beginning in September. First, I want to move the meeting night from the fourth Monday to the fourth Tuesday. Second, I propose more themes for meetings instead of specific projects. For meetings when we can't arrange for an instructor, there will be a theme – and we'll continue to meet at a bead store on occasion.

If you can to teach a project or do a demonstration or lead a discussion, let me know. If you know someone who should be a presenter, please pass on these dates and my email.

And don't forget to bring your pendant from the March meeting to the April meeting.

Thanks for listening and happy beading!

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