

# Madison Bead Society

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## President Letter – November 2016

Five. That's how many members showed up to the October meeting. Nineteen. That's how many active members we have as of October 31<sup>st</sup>. That's not a lot of members. With the low number of renewals or new members, for the first time we will not have a table at the Art Glass and Bead Show in March. It would nearly deplete MBS's remaining funds. We will be displaying at the UW Hospital and at the Pinney Library, more on that below.

Change of plans for November. Meant to Bead is moving and Shannon wanted to reschedule her program. We'll reschedule the Princess Ahmose earrings for the Spring. Instead, I will be teaching two earring patterns using SuperDuos. Neither one takes very long to make and I couldn't decide between the two so why not make both!

### November 28<sup>th</sup>

*Location:* Pinney Branch Library, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

*Instructor:* Pat Reichert

*Project:* Right angle weave earrings *and* SuperDuo flower chain earrings

*Supplies:* SuperDuos (2 colors), size 11 seed beads (complementary color), size 12 needle, 4 lb. Fireline or similar thread (you will be going through beads a few times so 6 lb. Fireline may be too thick); You will need *one* size 8 seed bead for *each* flower chain earring, it should match the size 11 seed beads you choose; jump rings and your choice of ear wires (or you can add ear wires later)



Right angle weave earrings



Flower chain earrings

NOTE 1: The center earring in the flower chain earring photo was made with Twin Beads, which are slightly smaller than SuperDuos. You can't always substitute one for the other but you can for these patterns.

NOTE 2: I will have extra materials at the meeting for a small fee.

No meeting in December and January.

### **UW Hospital Display – April 2017**

Why am I bringing this up now when we won't be displaying until April 2017? To give members plenty of time to come up with enough pieces to fill 3 display cases. If you haven't participated before, not only does the display show off the versatility of beading and the range of what our members can do, it can raise money for you and the Hospital; 20% of each sale goes to the Hospital's art fund. You must be a member to participate.

You can submit up to 6 pieces and to ensure a variety, no more than half of your submissions should be larger pieces (like a really chunky bracelet or large necklace). To have enough pieces to fill the displays and rotate pieces, our goal is to collect 90 pieces. When we displayed in 2014, seventeen members submitted 103 pieces and 20 pieces sold for a total of \$604.

Once I confirm a drop off location or two, we'll email details and post them to the website.

### **Pinney Library Display – May 2017**

MBS will have the Pinney Library display in May. The library has one display case and we can't sell through this display so I would like to collect a mix of pieces that represents the diversity of beading, projects we have done in meetings, and the skill of your members. I don't know if we have time to move pieces from the UW Hospital display to the Pinney display; I haven't worked out those details yet. Keep in mind that if you sell on a regular basis or if this is your first time selling, your items will be on display somewhere for at least 2 months.

### **Final Note**

Hope to see you at the November meeting. I haven't attempted teaching at a meeting in several years but I've been practicing and I'm excited to share what I've learned.

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