

Oregon State Fair 2018

### Fiber Arts Demonstration Report

This was the 39th year that the Weaving Guilds of Oregon hosted a demonstration booth at the Oregon State Fair. Sixty-three members and non-members donated 1,055 hours explaining and showing their craft during the 11 days of the fair. We provided information and offered opportunities for the public to try weaving and spinning. With the enthusiasm of two new weavers, the looms were going full time.

Wheels and drop spindles were used to demonstrate as were a 4-harness loom, table looms, rigid heddle looms, Raven's Tail and tapestry weaving, wool carding, needle felting and knitting.

Three guilds had members who participated and multiple demonstrators came for all 11 days. Thanks to Dorald Stoltz and Pam Sullivan from the Salem Fiberarts Guild who transported looms and car loads of gear.

We have been given an OK to do a fleece to shawl demonstration next summer and plan to do all of the dyeing, carding, spinning, warping and weaving there over several days. The WeGO booth will be hopping at the next state fair.

Respectfully submitted,

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WeGO State Fair Demonstration Booth Chair