



TEDs Threads - November 2024 Edition

Recent events:

Embroidered Art: On Thursday 17th October Rose Pearl gave a presentation to members at the Dumfries Baptist Centre. Rose is an embroidery artist and illustrator based in rural Southwest Scotland. She is inspired by the rainbow of colours found in nature and is currently exploring themes around gardens and landscapes, and the creatures that rely on these habitats. Rose works mainly with watercolours in combination with hand embroidery, and she creates original embroidery paintings, art prints and greetings cards.



Events over the next few sewing months:

November			
7th	Trip to Hexham (there will be no workday at Heathhall)	Hexham	
14th	Experimental Day	Heathhall	Penny McWilliams – Machine Lace
21st	Talk	Baptist Centre	Laura Derby -Hidden Lines – rug tufting
28th	Workday	Heathhall	
December			
5th	Workday	Heathhall	Sales Table
12th	Workday	Heathhall	
19th	Christmas Lunch	Mabie House Hotel	Heather Armstrong Raku Pottery

Outing to Hexham Abbey to see the 'Threads Through Creation' Exhibition.

Trip details:

- Date - November 7th 2024
- Coach to leave at 9am from Brooms Road Car Park Dumfries, aiming to arrive at Hexham Abbey for 11am.
- There will be a 9.30am pick up at Annan War Memorial for three members.
- No guided tour arranged but members to look around at their own leisure, both the 'Threads through Creation' exhibition and other aspects of the Abbey.
- Buffet lunch around 1pm of sandwiches and cake selection plus tea and coffee in the Abbey function room.

- Members can then look around again afterwards, visit the shop or indeed walk outside and enjoy the grounds and/or town centre.
- We aim to depart the coach park at 3pm and arrive back in Dumfries by 5pm, following a stop at Annan for three members to disembark around 4.30pm.

Optional requirement...

We also ask that, in the event of an emergency, all members going on the visit to Harrogate carry in their bags an envelope within which is noted an emergency contact number and/or information pertaining to any medications they may be taking. This would only be accessed by committee members in the event of an accident should emergency services be called.

Please note – there will be no sewing workday at Heathhall when the trip is on.

Christmas Competition

Entries can now be either in mini-embroidery hoops or simply small shapes (without the hoop). We have also increased the size of the entries - these can now be **'as small you feel comfortable with to no bigger than 12.5.cms in diameter/overall width'**. From the beginning of November a labelled box will be on the stage for you to put your completed entries in. The deadline for completion and submission is November 31st 2024.

Other notices:

A Message from Spain

Anne Armitage is currently visiting Spain and wanted to share this wonderful gold work with you all.



These pictures were taken at The Convento de las Dueñas, a Dominican convent founded by nuns and located in the city of Salamanca. It was built in the 15th and 16th centuries. Beyond its architectural splendour, Las Dueñas Convent houses a rich collection of artistic treasures and religious relics, and the convent 's church is home to several magnificent altarpieces. These robes, icons and decorative relic boxes are covered in the most elaborate gold work and fine embroidery.



Directory of resources and Information

- Royal School of needlework – dictionary of stitches link. <https://rsnstitchbank.org/>
- TED Website - <https://www.textileandembroiderydumfries.org/>