



OCEANSIDE COMMUNITY MAKERSPACE NEWSLETTER SPRING 2026



Our Mission: At Oceanside Community

Makerspace Society, our mission is to cultivate a space that encourages the exchange of ideas and the development of proficiency across a diverse range of practical skills. Whether it's for enjoyment, personal enrichment, or the betterment of our community, we aim to foster a culture of creativity and skill-sharing.

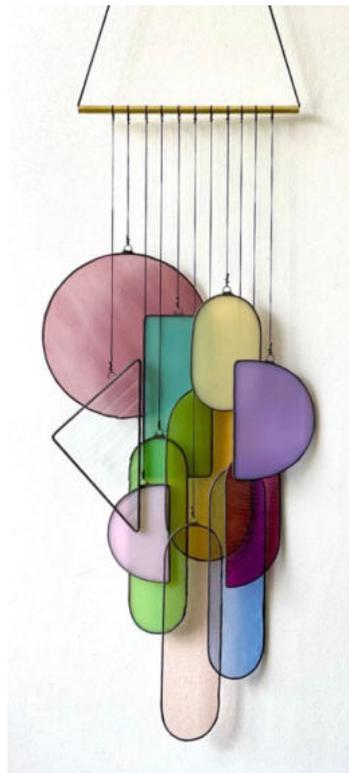
Welcome New Members!

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It's PEOPLE that makes our community makerspace special! It seems every day, there are new faces and around every corner new projects that pique everyone's interest. Welcome to each of you and thank you for contributing your time and your ideas to our community.

Welcome new Sponsors

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Congratulations Elaine and Lauren on your commitment to your craft in your recent sponsorship of space for your Two Amigas (and Moose) Sewing Studio.

New - Stained Glass!



Very soon we will be offering copper foil stained glass. Carolynne S. is an enthusiast of this art and has put forward



this new addition to all that we offer.

This new offering will be set up within the glass studio - watch for classes this



Spring/Summer! We are all excited to explore this Art! Special Thanks Carolynne!



Volunteers Welcome!

With Spring just around the corner, we welcome the offer of help with our front garden area and grass. Please speak to any of the monitors or submit a form from our website:

oceansidemakerspace.Org

Thanks Carol S. For stepping up to organize the fabrics!!

STUDIO UPDATES

SEWING

We are trying to replace a serger in case you have one in good order that you would like to donate.

Lauren is a master fitter and has been offering specialized classes on altering your sewing patterns for an haute couture fit!!

Watch for more offerings this summer.

Just a friendly reminder to tidy up after working in the sewing area. This may include brushing out the sergers, moving all scraps to the bin and perhaps a quick vacuum with the handheld.

JEWELRY

The Jewelry Studio will be soon replacing our soldering equipment with a safer high precision system that utilizes small 1 lb tanks and an oxygen concentrator. Watch for this change and be sure to attend an orientation to the new system.



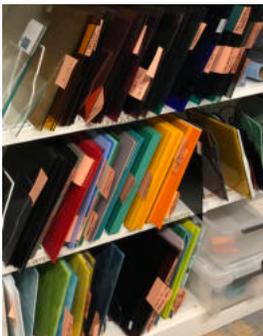
The studio still has a private workbench you may sponsor. This also gives you an access key. This will allow you to leave your work in progress and store your supplies.

FUSED GLASS

The studio recently received a new supply of glass! Thanks Loraine! New molds for slumping and a supply of stringers are also on the horizon. Also very exciting in the



Fused Glass studio is a new/used diamond band saw for very intricate piece cutting. Please request an orientation to the machine prior to use. Happy Creating!



CERAMICS + MOSAICS

The button makers!

Daune Y.

Our Sashiko Instructor has started a new

trend! There has been a large number of button makers in the studio! These hand-crafted



button or zip pull made in the ceramics studio add yet another unique element to the beautiful Sashiko Creations.

Mosaics has been busy with address sign makers. There are SO many options to create your unique and special address sign.



Artist Spotlight

Elaine has been a member of OCMS for 4 years! In that time she has wowed with her passion for learning - she does a deep dive into every new endeavour. Elaine started off with learning silversmithing and is now a regular at summer markets with her jewelry. Leather crafting followed and Elaine was a participant at the Coombs Medieval Festival selling amazing crafted leather goods.

She's already planning for the next season. Most recently, Elaine has enlisted a dear friend, Lauren, as a mentor for 'next level' sewing. Lauren is an expert with custom fitting patterns to your body and the results are beautiful tailored clothing. Elaine continues to enjoy all three crafts and has been a past volunteer board member for Makerspace. She also offers classes in leather work. An introductory class will get you well on your way to making your dream bag or knapsack!



Gift Shop!

Remember our Gift Shop for that special and unique gift! Here are just a few of the current offerings!



Remember: March 8 - Move clocks ahead!



Dear Madge... Is it just me, or has everyone I know suddenly joined a surgical rewards program? First it was Carol with her knee. Then Bob's shoulder. Every coffee date has turned into a pre-op consult. "How are you?" "Well, I'm scheduled for the 14th..." Is there a group discount I don't know about? A punch card? "Have five procedures, get the sixth free"? I feel left out. Should I schedule something minor just to stay current?

- Concerned under-operated

Dear Under-operated

Relax. You are not required to collect surgical procedures the way others collect commemorative spoons. There comes a certain stage of life when conversations drift from concerts and travel to joints and specialists. It's a reminder that gravity is undefeated. The good news: if no one has recommended cutting into you, you are winning. In the meantime, you may participate socially by mastering phrases such as "And how did that go?" "Are you doing physio?" Or "Did they give you the good drugs?" You may also casually say, "My doctor says I'm in excellent shape." This will cause stunned silence and possibly suspicion. Enjoy your scandalously intact condition. And Remember: The goal is to outlive your warranty with minimal recalls.



Oceanside Community Makerspace Book Club

Bookclub is under way with a great diverse reading list!

We are still accepting members for a second Group. Send an email with Subject line " Book club" to oceansidemakerspace@gmail.com

Our 2026 reading list:

Feb 10	When the Cranes Fly South	Lisa Ridzen
Mar 3	Midnight Library	Matt Haig
Apr 7	The Secret of Secrets	Dan Brown
May 5	A Town Like Alice	Nevil Shute
June 2	Finding Flora	Elinor Florence
July 7	Nomadland	Jessica Bruder
Aug 4	On Isabella Street	Genevieve Graham





Oceanside Community Makerspace Weekly Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OPEN HOURS 11 - 3	OPEN HOURS 11 - 4	OPEN HOURS 11 - 3 Sashiko 10-3 Fused Glass Open Studio 330- 600	OPEN HOURS 11 - 4 Drop-in Mosaics 1130 - 2 PM	OPEN HOURS 10 - 4 Sashiko 10-3 Fused Glass Open Studio 1-4 Jewelry 1-3	OPEN HOURS 11-3

*Closed Sundays except
classes and special events*

