



HAWAII STITCHERY & FIBRE ARTS GUILD

COVID-19 ISSUE

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HSFAG.....is *ZOOMing*

On June 3rd at 7:00pm, will be conducting its first membership meeting virtually. Utilizing the ZOOM computer/online application, members will be able to log into a live meeting via their computer, tablet or smart phone (device must be able to access the internet). How to do it? Easy.....just follow the instructions if you're unfamiliar with this type of meeting. Your board apologizes to members that cannot access these meetings. They are hoping to go back to face-to-face meetings when it becomes safe to conduct them.



ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS:

1) Load the **ZOOM** application onto your device. Subscription is FREE. To enter a meeting our host (member that is in charge of the meeting) will send you an email - inviting you to the meeting. To get an invitation or link to meeting you must let the host know prior to the meeting that you want to attend.

2) Contact member Lei Batty, missleibatthy@gmail.com (host) - to let her know that you plan to participate so that she will send you an invitation or email link to enter the meeting. DEADLINE: June 1st.

3) Expect to receive the link (computer path) close to the date of the meeting. If you do not receive your link from Lei, re-contact her or you can contact me at kuba2351243@gmail.com. Each participant will be asked to sign in.

4) When you click onto the link you will be going directly to the ZOOM meeting site. Participants will have to wait for our host to invite them in. If you log-in before our host enters, ZOOM will ask you to wait. If our host has opened the meeting - you will be asked if you want your audio muted or video screen (so we cannot see you) open. Please open both. Remember this will be a "live" meeting - so try to limit outside noises from the meeting - and let your home companions know you are in a meeting, to eliminate embarrassing background action.

5) This will be a sharing talk story meeting - so if you want to share, please let Lei know - so that she can inform President Aileen Kaneshiro.

6) JUST TO KNOW TIPS: If you login via your smart phone or tablet, your screen may show only a few member screens opened. Don't worry. You may have to scroll sideways/up down to see the other members on another page. Hopefully when you read your screen below you will be able to see the number of members that have logged onto the meeting. Also, you have the capacity to mute your microphone or darken your personal screen. Every device is different - so you must be patient.

7) This will be a fun experiment - if it works we can do other online programs. Don't forget to contact Lei. - Take Care..

Aileen's Message

HSFAG PRESIDENT, AILEEN KANESHIRO

APRIL/MAY 2020 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Aloha, Members!

I truly hope you were all staying healthy and safe during the bizarre past two months. We all have been waiting out this quarantine period but it's hard to anticipate what's around the corner. Needless to say, it will be wonderful to get together again at a monthly meeting but we have no idea when that will be. We will be following the guidance of the governor, mayor, and Museum of Art management. We theoretically could have a meeting while wearing masks but social distancing would make getting together a major challenge. Potlucks would be out for sure.

With all of that in mind, the board held a Zoom meeting and discussed our options. Zoom is the number one method that groups have been using and having virtual meetings since the pandemic started. Participation has skyrocketed. Not only have businesses been using Zoom, families have also been using Zoom to keep in touch with each other. We don't think everything will "open up" in June so we would like to try a Zoom Meet Up on June 3 and if that goes well, we will have a virtual meeting/program with a presenter in July if we can't meet in person at Linekona. Please review instructions on page 1.

Here's an 8-minute video about how to get on Zoom and what to do when you get there. Thank you, Cynthia Oshiro, for finding this: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E>

The "program" will be a checking in session and show and tell. We want to know how you have been surviving quarantine. Making masks? Bring some to the show and tell! Made anything else? Bring it to the show and tell--with the exception of your Boro Challenge entry. If you have anything else worth sharing, bring it to this virtual meeting. It could be a great book or easy recipe, or place to buy good prepared food.

I know many of you, including myself, stopped working on the Boro Challenge entry in order to sew masks. The Boro Challenge deadline has been tentatively extended to our September meeting if we can meet in person and have a potluck. This deadline might be extended again if there are unforeseen circumstances. With that said, there is still time to enter the Challenge as long as you pay your \$10 and have paid your 2020 dues. The \$100 prize is still up for grabs!

There's a short film, "Many Hands Make Light Work," which we were going to suggest for the January 2021 meeting since January has traditionally been a film night meeting. It's about the making of the HUGE tapestries that hang in the state capitol Senate and House rooms. Here's a link to the video: <http://uluulu.hawaii.edu/many-hands-make-light-work--2> The first few minutes talks about the opening of the capitol building in 1969 so it puts the tapestries in context.

Please email me if you have any questions: president@hsfag.com. Meanwhile, please take care of yourselves and the people you care for. Don't forget to keep your sense of humor--it helps! 🍀

