

## TED's Threads

February 2024 Edition



### Events to date:

#### Corners



Entitled 'Operation Stairway', this month's Corners Session informed members about our future Triennial project to be held at Gracefield Arts Centre in 2025. Members enjoyed a fun-filled hour and learnt that everyone is to complete an image/portrait of themselves. Materials needed were discussed including embroidery hoops, fabric backgrounds (anything except white) that a full range of threads can be used and that accessories can also be added to the portraits, e.g., jewellery, etc. Illustrated photos and reference books were also shared with the membership.

Members were also informed that all skills and techniques are acceptable including digital/hand/machine embroidery, applique, tapestry, padded work, or a combination of some/all. Portraits can be realistic or cartoon-like, etc. Hoops need to be filled. Big and bold is the way to go!

We hope to have every member represented in the 'portrait gallery'.

The committee is to make a bulk purchase of large hoops which will then be sold to members at a discounted rate. Further information will be issued about this soon.

#### Events over the next couple of sewing months:

Date	Event	Venue	Additional details
<b>February</b>			
15th	Matthew Jarron (Zoom)	Baptist Centre	Coates and Dundee College of Art
22nd	Workday	Heathhall	
29th	Workday	Heathhall	Experimental day
<b>March</b>			
7th	Workday	Heathhall	
14th	Workday	Heathhall	
21st	Corinne Young	Baptist Centre	Linen Paper Making
22nd	Corinne Young w/shop	Heathhall	Linen panels embellished with embroidery
28th	Workday	Heathhall	

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<b>April</b>			
4th	Workday	Heathhall	Corners
11th	Workday	Heathhall	
18th	Jane Currie	Baptist Centre	Embroidered books
25th	Workday	Heathhall	
<b>Sat 27th</b>	The Gathering 2024	Perth	North Inch Community Campus PH15BF
<b>May</b>			
2nd	Workday	Heathhall	
9th	Workday	Heathhall	
16th	TBC	Baptist Centre	
23rd	Annual Outing		The Great Tapestry, Galashiels
30th	Workday	Heathhall	

## **Other Notices:**

### Paying for lunch at the Baptist Centre.

Going forward please could members lunching at the Baptist Centre locate Denise from the committee and advise her of your choices upon arrival in the morning. You can then go straight to the coffee shop staff and pay – no need to wait until after the lunch service.

### New Inspirations magazine

This magazine is now available but is for reference only until the 1st of March, after which it can be borrowed for any length of time up to a month.

### Heathhall Kitchen Area

We politely ask members to help with cleaning up in the kitchen and to be responsible for tidying away your own dirty dishes.

### Christmas Tree Festival

I know Christmas is now long gone however I thought you would like to know the results from the Christmas tree festival. 1271 people came, excluding children who were free. After expenses the profit was £6738.36, and this has been equally divided between St John's Church and Dumfries & District flower club. Substantial donations to charity will be made by both organisations. Thank you so much for making it the success it undoubtedly was!

### Not In Our Name

Not In Our Name is an attempt to convey, through craft, our support across the world, for the suffering of the women of Gaza in this dreadful conflict. The idea is simple and involves

very little cost or time. If you wish to take part the organisers are suggesting cross-stitched panels depicting scenes or concepts that have a connection with the place or nationality, represent strong feelings about the conflict, the disproportionate impact and burden on women, or, indeed, anything that comes to mind and feels relevant and to show we care about people innocently caught up in world politics, very far away from their ordinary, everyday lives....

The organisers are keen to get stitchers of all abilities involved. The finished pieces will be photographed and uploaded to a central website in such a way to make up the Palestinian flag. Your piece would need to be completed for Spring Fling 2025.

The TED Group as a whole have decided not to take part but if you wish to make an individual contribution, please contact Rachel Bell at [rachelbell2506@gmail.com](mailto:rachelbell2506@gmail.com) for further details.

### Scottish Stitch and Textiles

- The Gathering  
27 April 2024 at North Inch Community Campus, Gowans Terrace, Perth.

Please make sure you have signed up for this (on the whiteboard) or emailed [tedsec2324@gmail.com](mailto:tedsec2324@gmail.com) by 14<sup>th</sup> February if you wish to go.

- Summer School  
For details regarding this please contact Margret Newlands as the SST Summer School Secretary.

### Simple Life Project

Last year Deborah and Dagmar attended textile workshops and contributed embroidery pieces to a 'Simple Life' project at the Quaker Museum in Kendal.

The finished piece has gone on display from now until 16th March if anyone would like to visit.

For further information please click the following link: <https://www.quaker-tapestry.co.uk/2024/01/29/simplicity-wall-hanging/>