

# BURLINGTON HANDWEAVERS & SPINNERS GUILD **2012** MEMBERSHIP

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## **MEMBERSHIP POLICY FOR BWSG MEMBERS**

Membership in the Guild shall be open to all persons interested in or actively engaged in handweaving, spinning and related techniques subject to the payment of the annual fee. While the Guild occupies the premises of the Burlington Art Centre, all members of the Guild must hold paid up membership in the Burlington Art Centre.

- a) A full membership shall have voting privileges at duly called meetings of the Guild and shall be eligible to hold office in the Guild.
- b) An Associate Membership shall be available to anyone residing more than 80 kilometres outside of Burlington at a reduced Guild membership fee and shall not carry with it voting privileges at meetings of the Guild.
- c) Membership fees for the following year shall be proposed by the Executive at the December meeting.
- d) New members joining after June 30 shall pay one half the annual fee.

Members of the BAC are expected to volunteer a minimum of 10 hours during the year to support the Centre fund raising events. Volunteerism is how we pay our rent.

Arts Burlington Council is the umbrella group for all guilds and enables the guilds to have input into the Board of Directors at the Centre. Each guild is required to provide two representatives each year. In the Burlington Handweavers and Spinners Guild, these positions are filled by the past president and the vice president. It was the guilds that built this Centre and they have a lasting vested interest in its continuity and community.