

2024 McGown Teachers:

Jeannie Benjamin, MA. –Jeanne has been hooking since 1971 and teaching since 1989. She is the owner of Newearthdesigns.com and the Lib Callaway pattern business. Her beautiful dyes wools and color planning skills make her a favorite. She gives personal time to each student and is comfortable teaching any genre. Her goal is for you to have a relaxed class experience.

Nancy Blood: Owego, N.Y. - Nancy works mostly with fine cut, but loves wide-cut and folk art as well. Specialties include Orientals, flowers, leaves, scrolls, fruit, and animals. She has been hooking since 1976, and teaching since 1980. She has also served as Editor of the McGown newsletter.

Sarah Guiliani: South Portland, Me. - Sarah is proficient in fine tapestry. Known for her expertise in animals as well as faces, she will and can teach all cuts and styles. She is also a colorist, designer, and true artist. She will do custom designs also....just send her your picture and size and she will design it for you.

Capri Boyle Jones: Navarre, Fl. – Capri has been developing her art in fiber professionally thru hooking, design, dying, and restoring rugs for 25 years. Owner of Capri Boyle Rug Studio Inc., A McGown certified teacher, member of ATHA. She is experienced in a wide variety of styles while her personal style is Impressionism, focusing on the use of light and color. Her work has been in Celebrations, Quayside Gallery in Pensacola, Fla. And various exhibits throughout the country and private collections.

Ania Knap-Reading, MA. – Ania is a certified hooking teacher and recovering scientist whose passion for vibrant color drives her creativity. She offers experienced student a new perspective on design, execution and opens a new world of expression for novices. She frequently mixes cuts from #2 to torn strips to achieve the desired effect. She enjoys teaching open classes and helping her students to expand their skills. Follow her blog entitles “My Mother’s a Hooker” on which she collaborates with her daughter. <https://wordpress.com/view/aniacreatedesigns.wordpress.com>

Sibyl Osicka: Cleveland, Ohio- Sibyl has been hooking since 1982 and has been accredited since 1989. She teaches across the US and Canada and had published 2 dye and color books, “Soft is Beautiful 1&2”, as well as a reference book “Creative Journey into Rug Hooking”. She has had many articles in Rug Hooking magazine as well. She has a unique look in her shading that makes her work stand out. Check out some of her work at www.sibylosicka.com