

Linda Facci: Branch Weaving

CLASS DESCRIPTION:

Students will explore branch weaving as a playful and intuitive sculptural process.

Using natural branches and simple weaving techniques, students will create a one-of-a-kind piece where structure, texture, and negative space evolve organically. No prior experience is necessary—this class emphasizes curiosity, experimentation, and working in conversation with the materials rather than following a fixed plan.

Technique Focus

Woven branch sculptural art

Select a Branch and Fiber Materials

- Select natural branches with interesting shapes, curves, and offshoots
- Test for strength
- Choose from wool, yarn, ribbon, sticks and more

Clean & Preserve Branch

- Wash and scrape branches
- Seal with wood hardener

Create the Warp (The Base):

- Anchor your thread and build the warp

Create and Weave the Weft (The Pattern):

- Design your pattern
- Apply simple weaving techniques to define space
- Use negative space as an intentional design element

Develop Visual Storytelling

- Connect branches securely to create balance and stability
- Allow the form and pattern to evolve without a fixed end goal
- Use branch offshoots as paths, perches, or landscapes
- (Optional) Incorporate miniature figures or symbolic elements

Refine and Finish the Piece

- Make adjustments for flow, strength, and visual balance
- Observe how light and shadow interact with the sculpture

BIO

Linda Facci, the founder and creative force behind Facci Designs, is a celebrated artist living in Woodstock, NY.

Linda brings over 30 years of creative exploration to her work — spanning needle felting, papier mache, embroidery, jewelry making, mixed media, weaving and teaching engaging crafting classes across these areas and more.

Her distinctive style and dedication to her craft have earned her a loyal following and recognition in the arts community. Her work has been celebrated in magazines, exhibited in galleries, showcased on nationally televised home decorating programs, and featured extensively in online media. Through Facci Designs, Linda continues to push the boundaries of traditional techniques, creating pieces that are both beautiful and inspiring.

SUPPLY LIST

Forked Branches
Yarn and Wool
Imagination :)

Linda will be bringing other supplies.