

# June 8, 2022 Sunshine Project Wednesday

## Project: Slit Weaving on a Gourd

11:00 to ? Liz Meyer's Shop 72 N Boundary, Nampa

Teacher: Sue Kostka

### PREPARE & BRING:

1. Gourd opened, cleaned inside and out. The gourd should not be too thick. If you want it decorated, colored, burned, carved, etc. do this before class.
2. Tools: a drill and bits; a saw with blades. A carver and appropriate burs/bits is an optional method to cut the slits. Liz has saws and drill if you do not.
3. Pencil and flexible ruler.
4. Sandpaper, sanding files, etc. - these are very important.
5. Weaving material of your choice. Examples: thin macrame cord or rope, jute, leather, yarn, narrow strips of fabric, seagrass or other materials of appropriate thickness for your gourd size. Liz has some different cording if you have none.
6. \$2 for the teacher

### Questions:

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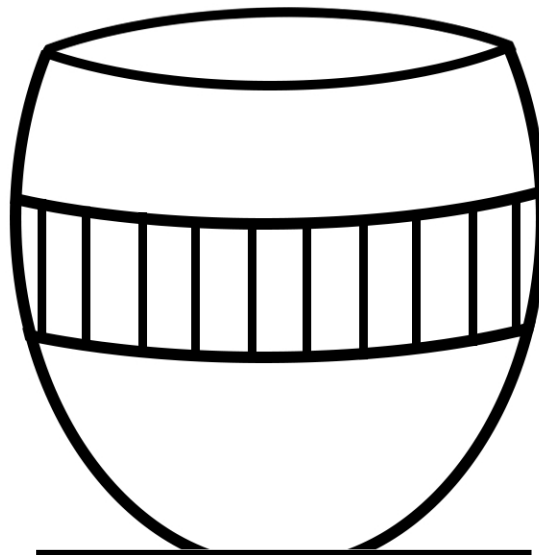
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We will cut the slits in class but you might like to know what is involved.

How wide should the slits be?

**Answer:** Measure the thickness of your weaving material. That is the width of your slits.



How far apart should the slits be; should the slits be all around; and what should the vertical placement be?

**Answer:** The answer to all three questions is: This is up to you and the design you plan for.

Drill a hole at the top and bottom of each slit before sawing. These will help keep the slits equal lengths and a starting point for the saw.