

## **Native American Basketry Classes at Coos History Museum**

### **Pat Courtney Gold: Internationally Known Teacher and Lecturer, Wasco Nation**

#### **August 12, 2017 Class: Traditional Twined Basket Using Plant Fibers**

Class is limited to 8 students.

The class is 1 day, 6 hour day 1-7 PM

Prerequisite: some twining experience.

Materials: Included in registration fee.

Fee: \$100, payable in advance at the Coos History Museum, Pre-registration required. Due to limited availability this class is non-refundable but transferable.

- Pat Courtney Gold teaches limited classes each year, to preserve the plant materials used in weaving.
- In this class you will learn the “Z-twine,” the traditional Wasco Start at the base, and you will have options to finish the rim.
- In this class you will learn to size and splice the plant fibers, and also learn the cross warp technique.
- This class will use traditional plant fibers: tule, cattail leaves, sedge grass, and possibly others.
- In this class you will finish a basket approximately 5 inches diameter and 6 inches tall.
- Pat will share her Columbia River Native Heritage during the class.
- The cost of this class covers instruction and Pat’s expenses of harvesting, drying and processing the plant materials.
- Participants are advised to bring a brown bag dinner.

**Note: In this class we will be working with wet and/or damp fibers. Participants will need to bring the following tools to class:** awl, scissors, small plant pruners, measure tape, spray bottle, kitchen size plastic bag, towel, pocket-knife.

Optional Items to Bring to Class: note paper, pencils, apron, baskets to share (option), band-aides, and/or embellishments: beads, small stones (rattle), shells, etc.

#### **August 11, 2017 Class: Small Wasco Sally Bag**

Class is limited to 10 students.

The class is 1 day, 6 hour day, 10 am – 4 PM

Prerequisite: some twining experience is helpful.

Materials: Included in registration fee.

Fee: \$65, payable in advance at the Coos History Museum, Pre-registration required. Due to limited availability this class is non-refundable but transferable.

- Students will learn traditional full-turn twining techniques to create geometric images.
- The workshop will cover the following: Wefts, Warps, Tension, “Z” twining, and Full-turn twining, and traditional “braid” rim.
- Instructor will share her Wasco heritage throughout the class.
- Because of time constraints, commercial fibers will be used, and will be provided by the instructor.
- Participants are advised to bring a brown bag lunch.

**Participants will need to bring the following tools to class:** Scissors, awl (or nail).

Optional Items to Bring to Class: note paper, pencil, and embellishments for your basket: shells, beads, charms, etc.