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Spring Greetings, Fiber Friends!



WOW! What a winter! I think most of the USA experienced record snows, more floods and earthquakes than in our memory. Besides the intense weather, we have experienced other life-changing experiences. February was an intense month with my mother's passing on Valentine's Day and with getting THE BOOK finally off to the printer. She at least had an opportunity to read the final copy which went to the printer. Besides customers, she too would occasionally call and ask, "Is the book finished, yet?"

FINALLY! What we have all been waiting for is FINISHED! *Continuous Strand Weaving Method: Techniques and Projects for Triangle, Square, and Rectangle Frame Looms* is off the press and available for you. The book is self-published, 468 pages, 164 pages in color, over 190 projects, over 100 pages of many techniques, plus a gallery of 35 additional contributors' works. It is proudly printed in the USA using a special open-back binding which allows the book to lay open. My daughter Rose Estelle Martin, with her degree in Photo Journalism, is the photographer and photo layout person. Pictures are awesome!



The book took on a life of its own, as many of you know. The continuous strand weaving method and the projects suggested by the weaving come so naturally, that for every project woven two or three additional projects came to mind. Both daughters, Bex and Rose, kept saying "No more projects! Just get the book done. People are waiting." Rose even demanded "One more project, Mom, and I quit!" Guess who came up with the next project idea.... You guessed it — Rose. So her "Sling Bag" was added to the Gallery section.

Each project is designed to offer a new technique — color way, weave structure, surface design or other embellishment, new fold or combination of panels for new garments or household textiles. Methods for charting color sequences, lace or embroidery patterns are included. The appendices include yardage calculations for all looms; yarns used for projects; techniques to build your own looms; sources for looms, yarns and other books; and instructions for making knit or crochet edges.

The book is offered in two editions: soft cover for \$64, and hard cover for \$74. It has been very well received.

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