

Pickin', Spinnin', Grinnin'

This 2 hour workshop for advanced beginner spinners will demo how to use a triple picker to pick mohair locks and spin from a handful of fluffy fiber. Triple pickers can be frightful looking and some say they will ruin your fine fibers. Used carefully and gently, they are a great tool to prep mohair especially. Spinning straight from the picker creates a thick/thin, straight/curly artsy yarn. The spinner will learn how to create a novelty yarn 'outside the box' of the normal, consistent yarns. And of course the class will be fun and as free of stress as possible. **Attendees need to bring their own spinning wheel, lazy kate and lap towel.** You are invited to bring your own clean fibers for fun experimentation. The workshop fee is **\$75** which will include 8 oz of picked, clean white kid mohair plus sufficient yardage of binding yarns. More white or dyed mohair will be available for sale.

Event: Denver Fiber Arts Fiesta in conjunction with the Great Western Alpaca Show

Dates: Friday, May 2, 1 PM - 3 PM
Saturday, May 3, 10 AM – 12 PM
Sunday, May 4, 10 AM – 12 PM

Location: Denver Western Complex, Stadium Hall, upper level

Minimum number of pickers/spinners/grinners is 3; maximum number is 10. Please reserve your spot and pay the instructor by **April 27, 2008**. Walk-ins will be welcome when space allows.

Introduction of Instructor

Kathy Martin put in her time in the non-fiber related rat race and now enjoys playing full time with her spinner's flock of 20 demanding Angora goats in the Brighton, CO, area. She spins, dyes, knits, crochets, weaves and enjoys fiber outreach. Wynham Farms and *gotmygoat* are synonymous with her online ventures and wool market booths where she can be seen spinning novelty and exotic yarns.

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