



Dear Prospective Teacher:

The Georgia Basketry Association (GBA) will hold its annual convention, *Weaving to the Moon and Back* on February 2, 3 and 4, 2018. We are inviting you to submit basket proposals for this event, which draws weavers from across the state of Georgia and many other states.

The convention will be held at the beautiful Hilton Marietta Hotel & Conference Center. A special rate of \$105 per night is available. The property sits on a lovely Marietta public golf course and the main dining room looks over the course. Lunch on Saturday will be provided for you in the dining room. Nearby are a mix of restaurants and antique shops on the Marietta Square, and the hotel offers a complimentary shuttle to points of interest within a 5-mile radius.

You must be a member of GBA to teach at the convention. If you have any questions about membership, please contact Sybil Sweat at 770-594-0780 or [sweatsybilts@aol.com](mailto:sweatsybilts@aol.com). Membership in the GBA is \$15.

Class size will be limited to a minimum of six (6) students and a maximum of twelve (12) students unless otherwise approved by you. Classes will be scheduled on Friday from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Remember when submitting basket photos for our convention that we weave 6 hours on Friday, 8 hours on Saturday, and 4 hours on Sunday. The Georgia Basketry Association pays a stipend of \$50.00 for the 3-day weekend. Please keep this in mind when you are determining your class fees. In addition to lunch on Saturday, you will receive a hearty snack Friday night.

Marketplace will be held on Saturday evening. Tables will be available at no charge to teachers. The Vendor space will also be available to all at a reasonable cost. Laurine Haynes is coordinating vendor booths and can be reached at [doryanna@aol.com](mailto:doryanna@aol.com).

We ask that convention teachers donate a pattern for each convention basket to be placed in the raffle pattern book, along with a basket-related item for the raffle table.

Please either email your submissions to [bjwisuri@gmail.com](mailto:bjwisuri@gmail.com) or mail a CD to the address listed below. Your submissions must be received by May 26, 2017.

**Please mail CD's to:**            **Barb Wisuri**  
                                                 **4030 McPherson Dr**  
                                                 **Acworth, GA 30101.**

You will be notified after June 12, following our jury selection.

We sincerely look forward to seeing you at GBA's *Weaving to the Moon and Back*. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email me at:

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