

Basket and Jewelry Making Classes



BASKET WEAVING

This class guides students through how to make a one-rod coiled basket with user-friendly raffia over a paper core. Examples of traditional California basket materials (willow, redbud, bracken fern root, sedge) and one- and three-rod coiled baskets will be on hand for examination and discussion, plus information about the baskets of the Miwuk, Pomo, and Paiute. Weavers will be able to take the materials home to finish their basket in their own time.

\$60 per person (age 10+); Available at 7pm Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays



GEMSTONE BEAD BRACELET

Make a beautiful bracelet keepsake of your Yosemite adventure using a variety of real gemstone, glass, wood, and other natural material beads. Class fee includes all materials needed.

\$50 per person (age 8+); Available at 7pm Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays



YOSEMITE CROSS-STITCH

Relax and enjoy making these Yosemite-inspired mini cross-stitch designs that include animals, plants, and familiar landmarks from around the park. Fun for all skill levels, even if you've never done cross-stitch before. 14-count fabric, hoop, needle, embroidery floss, and patterns are all included.

\$45 per person (age 10+); Available at 7pm Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays



ABOUT THE ARTIST

Willow Polson has been creating since she was a small child, first learning how to sew doll house curtains at age five. Though not Native herself, as a teen she was taught traditional basketry in Yosemite Valley and has been a basketmaker for over 40 years. She has demonstrated and taught traditional arts, including basketry and embroidery, at a variety of museums, state parks, and historic sites across California.