



NEWS – May 2026

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What's Up This Month?

Lacing Techniques – Ron

Ron will demonstrate lacing techniques – the dos and don'ts --- what works best for different types of lacing and leather. (Rescheduled from our March Meeting.)

Please join us May 16th at 3 pm at Mabuhay Leather Craft at Northwoods Mall, lower level at Center Court.

What to Bring:

Yourself and a friend or two! Some veg tanned or chrome tanned leather that you would like to lace together, lacing stitching chisels, and needles. A show and tell item!

New Guild Sign

Pick up at Mabuhay. Please remember to tape the back of your piece to help prevent stretching so it will fit on the guild sign.

IVLG – Alpha Park Library Display

Our IVLG Display is at Alpha Park – May 1st – 31st.

2nd Qtr (Apr/May/Jun) Guild Project

Any pouch/carrying case that attaches to a belt.

Upcoming IVLG Meeting News

- June 20th – 3 pm – Dyeing Techniques – Vinegaroon – Ron, Shaving Cream – Karrie and Airbrushing
- July – 3 pm – Cobra Machine – John Am.
- August – 3 pm – Stamping – Alms Crew

Thank you to ...

- John Am. for explaining that zipper quality and styles really do matter in your leathercraft projects.

IFoLG NEWS

IFoLG BoG Meeting News

The Annual Show BoG meeting will be held Sunday at 8 am. The Traveling Trophy has been retired to Jim Linnell's Elktracks Studio in Venus, TX. The Guild of the Year Award criteria is being developed for 2027.

IFoLG Show News @ ivlg.org

2026 Show – “Traditional Meets Modern”

Embassy Suites, East Peoria, IL – Oct. 6-11

- You can register for the show, workshops, the banquet, volunteering and more at ivlg.org.
- More Instructors now on board: *Denny Lowe has joined fellow instructors ...* Travis Coddington, Kathy Flanagan, Galo Garcia, Scott Gore, Erik Griffith, Deb Johns, Ann Johnson, Roz Kaohn, Christopher Kearns, Jim Linnell, Daniel Reach, and Daniel Rhodes.
- Saturday - October 10th - Free public events: Competition Room Viewing, leather workshops and an onsite blacksmithing demonstration. Please share with your family and friends!
- Saturday - October 10th - People's Choice Award – Master Leathersmiths Abigail Alms and Daniel Reach will showcase their “Antique Weapons”.
- Competition, Workshops, Vendors, Hospitality Suite, Guild Displays, Raffle and Golden Raffle and more details to follow.
- Looking for Instructors, Vendors, Volunteers and Sponsors for this event – please contact Karrie at ilvalleylg@yahoo.com for more information.

Welcome to New Member

- Christopher Hoffer!

Mabuhay Leather Craft

is pleased to share that IVLG Members receive a 5% discount on the purchase of leather hides!