

Toni Klingler, basket weaver and gourd artist

Toni Klingler was hooked after making her first basket 20 years ago. Her continued interest in weaving is motivated by the individuality of each piece. She taught her first basket class as a bible study. Embellishing gourds is an extension of the basket weaving. Six years ago, after retiring as an Early Childhood teacher, Toni started weaving rims on gourds and trimming them to create decorative pieces. She found interesting natural items during walks in the woods to embellish baskets and gourds. Now she teaches and creates in her home studio. She exhibits and sells her gourds and baskets at the Galena Artists Guild Gallery and the Hello Galena! Gallery. Toni is proud to have a basket in the Rountree Gallery's permanent collection.

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