

# Jill Wolcott | knits®

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2018 Design Essentials, (6 weeks), Yarnpreneur.com  
2017 A System of Grading, 3 Sections, 24 weeks, JillWolcottKnits.com  
Swatch Workshop, 4 weeks, JillWolcottKnits.com  
Plant Fiber Workshop, 2 weeks, JillWolcottKnits.com  
May 2015 Release Knit and Purl Know How: Pick the Perfect Stitch Pattern, Craftsy (retired)  
2013 to Present Instructor, The National Needle Arts Association  
*Classes taught:* Basic Grading, Simply Amazing Techniques, Short Row Any Shoulder, Sizing & Grading I for Knitwear Designers, Sizing & Grading II Spreadsheets for Knitwear Designers, Sewing Your Knitting
- 2000 to June 2016 Part-Time Instructor, Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising, San Francisco Campus  
Product Development Department.  
*Last courses taught:* Brand Portfolio, Classification & Line Development  
*Other courses taught:* Applied Technology, Applied Textiles, Advanced Preproduction, Preproduction, Principles of Design Development  
Fashion Design Department.  
*Courses taught:* Creative Design Applications, Design and Apparel Manufacturing, Textiles I for Design, Textiles for Design, Textiles II for Design  
Merchandising Department.  
Trend Analysis
- 2002 Instructor, Academy of Art College, San Francisco:  
*Courses Taught:* Color Theory for Design, Fashion Marketing, Product Development (MFA)

## INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES, FIDM

- 2014 Rewriting Final Project Rubric, Brand Portfolio  
2013 Rewriting Final Project Rubric, Classification & Line Development  
2012 No Crying in My Class, Presentation to Inservice  
2009 Participated in writing Brand Portfolio course, FIDM  
2003 Excel Gradebooks, Presentation to Inservice  
2000 to 2016 Ongoing input on rubrics, class assignments, course content for FIDM

## OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### Owner & Creative Director, Jill Wolcott Knits, LLC: Design & Pattern Publishing, Expertise to Present Design & Patterns:

- Coordinating designs for each season
  - Pattern writing of garments in multiple sizes
  - Coordinating sample creation, technical editing
  - Pattern-checking and editing
  - Working with vendors on design & pattern projects
  - Creating and supervising creation of charts, technical flat sketches, pattern layout
  - Design garments, accessories, home items for Jill Wolcott Knits Collection (see Patterns)
- Expertise:**
- Creative Direction consulting
  - Create sizing guidelines for yarn companies
  - Created and teaches online Adobe Illustrator classes to teach knitwear designers how to create charts, schematics and other drawings
  - Created and teaches online classes on pattern grading for plus sizes for knitwear designers
  - Trend analysis and color story creation

### Co-owner & Creative Director, Y2Knit, LLC: Design & Pattern Publishing, Knitting Events, Expertise 2001 to 2011

#### Design & Patterns:

- Coordinating designs for each season
- Pattern writing of garments in five sizes
- Coordinating sample creation, technical editing
- Pattern-checking and editing
- Working with vendors on design & pattern projects
- Creating and supervising creation of charts, technical flat sketches, pattern layout
- Design garments, accessories, home items for Y2Knit Collection (see Patterns)

#### Events & Workshops:

- Creating Event and Workshop concepts and educational components
  - Tuscany 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008
  - Buffalo, Wyoming 2011, 2010
  - Shelbourne, VT 2007, 2006, 2005
  - Los Angeles, CA 2003
  - Chicagoland 2003
  - Lake County, CA 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005
  - Washington, DC metro area 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005
- Writing handouts and creating projects related to Events or workshops (see Class materials)
- Teaching at Events and workshops

#### Expertise:

- Creative Direction consulting
- Create sizing guidelines for yarn companies
- Create and teach online Adobe Illustrator classes for knitwear designers on how to create charts, schematics, and other drawings
- Create and teach online classes on pattern grading for missy and plus sizes for knitwear designers
- Created and taught Adobe Illustrator classes for technical designers and designers at Karen Neuberger

### OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE, *continued*

#### Freelance Knitwear Design to Present

2011 Powder River Collection for Mountain Meadow Wool , September  
Natural Baby Collection for Mountain Meadow Wool, February  
Simplicity Collection (14 pieces) of accessories and garments for Skacel Collection, Inc.  
to 2018 Freelance design for knitting publishers (See Published Patterns)

#### Other Relevant Experience

1988 to 1992 Freelance designer and patternmaker, Seattle, Washington:  
Misses and contemporary sportswear and separates, tailored jackets and coats, woven ski wear,  
and special occasion gowns.

1987 to 1988 Design Assistant, Karen Bell Designs, Seattle, Washington:  
First draft through production patterns, custom patterns, fitting and sewing for custom and ready-  
to-wear sportswear, special occasion and tailored jackets.

### OTHER EXPERIENCE

#### Variety of legal support staff positions

1974 to 1987 Word Processor, word processor supervisor, word processor transition point person, legal  
secretary

### EDUCATION

1985 to 1987 Western Washington University, Center for Apparel Design & Fashion Marketing  
Apparel Design & Fashion Marketing  
Co-Director: Student Fashion Show (1987)  
Participant: Student Fashion Show (1986 and 1987)  
Intern: Bench, Inc.

1982 to 1984 Seattle Central Community College: Apparel Design Program  
Garment Construction and Patternmaking  
Participant: Graduate Design Display  
Intern: Code Bleu/Fresh Squeeze, Merchandising Department

### HONORS AND AWARDS

Faculty Awards Outstanding Faculty Award, Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising  
Winner: 2014, 2013, 2012, 2010, 2009, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001  
Nominee: 2016, 2015, 2008, 2000  
Winner: Best Cardigan Design, MKS Forum Knit Extravaganza, Dallas, Texas, 1998  
Winner: Professional Category, Tess' Designer Yarn Anniversary Competition, 1997

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- 2000 to Present**      The National Needlework Association  
2013                      Yarn Group Fashion Show, Silent Auction, & Great Wall of Yarn Task Force  
2003 to 2011          Retail, Wholesale and Yarn Group Member  
Designer Affiliate Member since 2000.  
Creative Business Services Member since 2017
- 1997 to 2010**          Association of Knitwear Designers Professional Member (defunct as of 2011)  
Moderator, AKD Panel Discussions at TNNA,  
January, 2010 & 2011, June 2009 & 2010  
President, November 2007 through June 2010  
Member, Mission Statement Committee, 2006  
Chair, Bylaws Committee, 2006

## PRESENTATIONS

- 2007**      Finding the Right Project: Beyond Rectangles: Finding your Knitting Niche, Port Townsend Library

## PUBLICATIONS

- Jill Wolcott Knits      Jill Says Blog since 2012  
Jill Wolcott Knits Retail eNews  
Sizing Adjustments: 14 Lessons via email  
YNotKnit: A step-by-step Instructions for Continental Knitting and Knitting Basics  
Jill Wolcott and Susan Wolcott, Y2Knit, March, 2006  
Over 90 Illustrations by Jill Wolcott
- Dress, Perfected  
Jill Wolcott, Guest Article, One Thing New, Newsletter & Blog, July 17, 2014
- Style Guide  
Jill Wolcott, Column in Creative Knitting Magazine, DRG Publishing, November 2011, January March,  
May, July, September, November 2012
- Mountain Meadow Wool, How Merino Won the West  
Jill Wolcott and Susan Wolcott, Creative Knitting Magazine, DRG Publishing, November 2011
- Experience Tuscany  
Jill Wolcott and Susan Wolcott, Creative Knitting Magazine, DRG Publishing, May 2011
- Under the Tuscan Sun  
Jill Wolcott and Susan Wolcott, Yarn Market News, Soho Publishing, May 2010
- Knit One, Purl One  
Washington Woman, February 2002
- Modernizing Vintage Patterns  
Interweave Knits, Winter 1998
- Knitting Lace with Your Lace Carriage  
Cast on Magazine, Fall 1997 (machine knitting)

**Jill Wolcott Knits Patterns Currently Available  
2003 through Present**

**ACCESSORIES**

**Bags**

Boardwalk Bag  
Italian Market Bag

**Collars, Cowls, & Scarves**

Ashland Collar & Capelette  
Bubble Whirl  
Cobweb Collar & Cuffs  
Devil's Tower  
Esperance  
Granite Cowl  
Jupiter's Rings LGF Suris: Gossamer,  
Halo, Metis  
Limestone Scarf  
Point Roberts  
Saddle  
Saloon Scarf  
Snow Farm  
Tangiers  
Tatio  
Umbria Scarf  
Waterfall

**Cuffs, Gloves, & Sleeves**

Alkali Mittens  
Meath Mitts  
Roundhill

**Hats**

Copenhagen  
Goddess Hat Collection  
Lisse Hat  
Chincherro Hat  
Cornice  
Dome Mountain Hat  
Go High Hat Recipe  
Napa Valley Hat Recipe  
Onion Dome Hat  
Wintergarden Hat Trio

**Miscellaneous**

Las Vegas Thong  
Reno Garter

**Socks**

Flounce Boot Topper  
Rib Boot Topper

**Wraps, Shawlettes & Capelettes**

Belon  
Hillwood  
Lisbon  
Medallion  
Montisi  
Kaikoura  
Kintail  
Remarkables  
Savoie Shawlette  
Taos Shawlette  
Tuscany Capelette  
Windsor Capelette

**BABY & CHILDREN**

Berry Girly Collection  
Heaven  
St George's Baby

**Natural Baby Collection**

NBC Blankie  
NBC Hat Trio  
NBC Hoodie  
NBC Onesie  
NBC Pullover  
NBC Skirt with Legging & Skirt

**GARMENTS**

**Cardigans & Vests**

Agate Vest  
Bellevue  
Florence  
Hill Country Vest  
Jasper Cardigan  
King's Road Cardigan  
Miami (St Petersburg)  
Outlaw Cardigan  
Santa Fe Cardigan  
Seattle  
Sheriff's Vest

**Pullovers**

Athena  
Coronet Peak Pullover  
Fern Bay  
Flint Pullover  
Helen  
Meath Pullover  
Minerva  
Trevi Tee

**Sleeveless**

Blue Canoe Cami  
Bonaire  
Clay Tank  
Latin Quarter Shell and Shawl  
Silica Bodice  
Silver Valley  
Sterling Valley  
Western Addition

**HOME**

Central Belt Pillow  
Nickel & Gold Wallet  
North Country Afghan  
Sand Pillow  
Sandstone Throw

## Jill Wolcott Knits E-Book Collections

### Berry Girly Collection

70 pages

Blackberry Hat  
 Blueberry Top  
 Boysenberry Cardigan  
 Cloudberry Capelette  
 Honeyberry Scarf  
 Huckleberry Pullover  
 Marionberry Purse  
 Raspberry Mitts  
 Strawberry Skirt  
 Teaberry Purse

### Goddess Collection

459 pages/383 charts

Athena Cowl, Athena Cuffs, Athena Hat  
 Athena Pullover  
 Helen Cowl, Helen Cuffs, Helen Hat  
 Helen Pullover  
 Minerva Cowl, Minerva Cuffs, Minerva Hat  
 Minerva Pullover

## Patterns in Books & Published Knitwear Patterns

### PATTERNS IN BOOKS (Compilations)

Dreaming of Shetland	Rialto edited by Donna Druchunas and Anne Berk, e-book, 2013
Good Deeds Volume One	Chocco edited by Kyle William, e-book, 2013
Knitter's at Home	Knit & Purl Pillow, Wraps Pillow & Buttons Pillow edited by Rick Mondragon & Elaine Rowley, XRX Books, 2009
Karaoke Hats	Chincherro Hat Southwest Trading Company, 2006
JACKETS for Work and Play, the Best of Knitter's	Snuggler Sensation edited by Rick Mondragon & Elaine Rowley, XRX Books, 2006
Knit & Crochet Ponchos, Wraps, Capes And Shrugs	Snug Fall Cosy edited by Edie Eckman, Storey Publishing, 2005
Quick Knitted Afghans	Herringbone Pie & Tilt-a-Whirl edited by Jeanne Stauffer, House of White Birches, 2001

### PUBLISHED KNITWEAR PATTERNS

#### Booklet

Simplicity, Volume No. 2 - Women's  
 Skacel Collection, Inc., 2011

Capelet or Skirt, Gauntlets (4 styles), Hoodie Vest, Mochilla Bag, Ribbed Pullover (4 styles), Scarves (Bell & Flat), Vest with Collar

#### Magazines

Mediterranean Trio	Interweave Magazine, Summer 2018
Hold My Stuff Bag	Love of Knitting Magazine, Summer 2016
Hold My Calls Bag	Love of Knitting Magazine, Summer 2016
Empire Cape	Love of Knitting Magazine, Winter 2015

Patterns in Books & Published Knitwear Patterns, continued

Magazines, continued

Victorian Lace Cardigan	Love of Knitting Magazine, Fall, 2015
Beginner's Lace Cardigan	Love of Knitting Magazine, Summer 2015
Frosted Glass Sweater	Love of Knitting Magazine, Accessories, Winter 2014
Sweet Sparkle Top	Love of Knitting Magazine, Accessories, Holiday Knits 2014
Twinkling Tinsel Top	Love of Knitting Magazine, Accessories, Holiday Knits 2014
Snowy Stroll Shawl	Love of Knitting Magazine, Accessories, Holiday Knits 2014
Brixton Cap	Love of Knitting Magazine, Accessories, Summer 2014
Bromley Mitts	Love of Knitting Magazine, Accessories, Summer 2014 (free download)
Colliers Wood Shawl	Love of Knitting Magazine, Accessories, Summer 2014
Play it Up with Cables	Creative Knitting Magazine, Winter 2012
Quickie Cable Case	Creative Knitting Magazine, Winter 2012
New Plaid Hat & Mittens	Creative Knitting Magazine, January 2012
Tuscan Neck Warmers	Creative Knitting Magazine, January 2012 (online)
Quarts Boot Topper	Creative Knitting Magazine, November 2011
Coral Seas	Creative Knitting Magazine, July 2011
Slip Stitch Cardigan	Cast on Magazine, Spring 2003
Bridesmaid	Interweave Knits, Spring 2001
Team Spirit	Knitting Digest, Spring 2000
Petroglyph	Interweave Knits, Winter 1999
Pewter Rain or Shine	Knitter's Magazine, Fall 1999
Sweatshirt a la Marina	Knitter's Magazine, Fall 1999
Bamboo Pullover	Interweave Knits, Spring 1999
Peri's Parasol	Cast on Magazine, Spring 1999
Heirloom Afghan & Pillow	Knitting Digest, January 1999
Instant Plaid Jacket	Cast on Magazine, Holiday 1998 (cover)
Chunky Cardigan	Interweave Knits, Winter 1998
Snuggler Sensation	Knitter's Magazine, Fall, 1998
Diamonds in a Row	Cast on Magazine, Fall 1998 (machine)
Feather Swing Jacket	Family Circle Easy Knitting, Fall 1998
Pillar & Web	Knitter's Magazine, Spring 1998
Button Pillow	Knitter's Magazine, Winter 1997
Cross-Stitch Pillows	Knitter's Magazine, Winter 1997
Wrapped Ribs Pillow	Knitter's, Winter 1997
Lace and Tee	Cast on Magazine, Fall 1997 (machine)
Quilted Ribbon	Cast on Magazine, Summer 1997 (machine)
Color-Banded Pair	Knitter's Magazine, Spring 1997
Tricolor Cardigan	Cast on Magazine, Spring 1997 (machine)
Simply Elegant	Cast on Magazine, Winter 1996 (machine)
Ladder Pullover	Machine Knitters Source, September/October 1996 (machine)
Branch Pullover	Machine Knitters Source, July/August 1996 (machine)
"Ribbed" Sideways Pullover	Machine Knitters Source, November/December 1995 (machine)
Garter Ridge Stitch Cardigan	Studio Design Magazine, Spring/Summer 1995 (machine)
Kite Coat	Machine Knit America, January/February 1995 (machine)

## Classes & Materials

### DESIGN

Design Essentials, 6 weeks, 12 workshops, Using Principles & Elements of Design

- Week One: Principles of Design, 30 slides  
Principles of Design Applied to Your Design Life, 24 slides, 6 page questionnaire
- Week Two: Elements of Design, 32 slides  
Elements of Design Applied to Your Design Life, 18 slides
- Week Three: Application of Principles, 26 slides  
Application of Principles for Your Design Life, 20 slides
- Week Four: Application of Elements, 28 slides  
Application of Elements to Your Design Life, 20 slides
- Week Five: Extending Design Concepts, 25 slides  
Expanding Your Design Life, 22 slides
- Week Six: Sharing Design Concepts, 32 slides  
Sharing Your Design Life, 25 slides

### GRADING

A System of Grading, Online through Jill Wolcott Knits, 2017, 24 week course

Basic Grading, TNNA, June 2016, 20 pages

Grading for Plus Sizes, online, 2009-2010, 10 pages

Grading & Sizing I for Knitwear Designers with Jeane DeCoster, TNNA, June 2013, January 2014, 82 pages

Grading & Sizing II for Knitwear Designers with Jeane DeCoster, TNNA, June 2014, January 2015, 82 pages

### ILLUSTRATOR

Illustrator: online

Basics, 2006-2010, 16 pages

Essentials, 2006-2010, 18 pages

Making Charts, 2006-2010, 7 pages

Basic Schematics, 2006-2010, 6 pages

More Schematics, 2006-2010, 8 pages

Drawing a Figure, 2006, 4 pages

Playing in Illustrator, 2006, 4 pages

Illustrator Intensive at Karen Neuberger, 2006, 45 pages

### KNITTING

Swatch Workshop, 4 weeks, 2017

Plant Fiber Workshop, 1 week, 2017 Closures You Can Make, 2009, 6 pages

Cincher Hat Tutorial, 2007, 4 pages

**Classes & Materials, continued**

**KNITTING, continued**

- Finishing & Embellishing Toile, 2007, 45 pages
  - Applique      Bands      Blocking
  - Crochet      Embroidery      I-cord
  - Joining      Leaves      Picking up Stitches
  - Seaming      Trims
- Short Row Shoulders & Sleeve Caps, 2007-2009, 8 pages
- Shoulder Fit, 2007, 10 pages
- Simply Amazing Techniques I, 2016, TNNA, June 2016, 8 pages
- Sizing Adjustments in 14 Lessons, email, 90 pages
- Taking Accurate Measurements, 2007, 13 pages
- Color and Short Rows, 2005, 2 pages
- Colorwork: Pillow 1, 2005, 23 pages
  - Mitered Squares      Modular Strips      Patchwork
  - Short Rows
- Colorwork: Pillow 2, 2005, 26 pages
  - 2-color Knitting      Backwards Knitting      Entrelac
  - Fair Isle      Knitting from Charts
  - Intarsia      Putting it Together
- Flower Petals, Leaves and Bobbles, 2005, 5 pages
- Cast ons and Bind Offs, 2004, 30 pages
- Knit to Fit Primer for Round-neck Cardigan, 2004, 15 pages
- Slip Stitch Basics, 2004 - 2006, 3 pages
- Slip Stitches and Color, 2004 - 2007, 22 pages
- Finishing Intensive, 2003, 13 pages
- Knitter's Math, 2003, 6 pages
- Knitting in the Round, 2003-2005, 4 pages
- Socks! Socks! Socks!, Short row heels, 2003, 8 pages
- Kool-Aid® Dying, 1 page
- Short Rows, 2002, 3 pages
- Getting Good Gauge, 2001-2010, 2 pages

**Jill Wolcott Knits Patterns Not Currently Available  
2003 through Present**

**ACCESSORIES**

**Bags**

Charleston  
Jane's Bag

**Collars, Cowls, & Scarves**

Mink Scarf/Necktie Scarf  
Patan Scarf  
Sacred Valley

**Cuffs, Gloves, & Sleeves**

Rib Cuff  
Porter Heights  
Sleeve and Gaitor 6.5  
Sleeve and Gaitor 8.5  
Stretchy Gauntlet

**Hats**

Brixton Caps  
Fat Hat  
Fat Hat 3.5  
Hair Solutions  
Kanda Hat & Scarf  
Kingston Hat

**Socks**

Ballet Slipper  
Pebbles and Stones  
Quartz Boot Topper & Collar  
Toe-Up Anklet  
Top-Down Sock

**Wraps**

Elegance at 8  
Square Cozy  
Turns Ahead Jacket and Shawl

**BABY**

Slip'n Slide Baby Jacket 3.5, 5.0, &  
5.5  
Slip'n Slide Baby Blanket & I-Cord  
Hat

**HOME**

Flowers & Leaves  
Lucina Bath Set  
Scalloped Bath Set  
Central Band Pillow  
Highland Pillow

**GARMENTS**

**Cardigans & Vests**

Luna Cardigan  
Lucknow  
Slate Cardigan  
Beacon Hill (Slip Stitch) Cardigan

**Sleeveless**

Big Sur (Meditation) Shell  
Big Sur (Meditation) Shell Plus  
Mendocino (Namaste)  
Shapely Cami