

# Greg & Carla Filippelli



## Handwoven & Dyed Basketry & Sculpture

Carla & Greg Filippelli have been weaving baskets and creating sculpture for over twenty-five years. As self-taught basket makers, they delight in the intuitive creative process. Today, their free form style of weaving, known as random weave, has developed into functional baskets and sculptural art for the walls. They are represented in galleries and exhibitions nationwide and are currently invited artists in the international Arts in Embassies program in Tallinn, Estonia.

The goal of the Filippelli's residency is to integrate arts, the rich Appalachian craft heritage, and full curriculum integration by teaching simple to master basketry techniques which can be taught to a variety of ages from first grade to high school. Workshops include talks about the importance of the baskets throughout history, vocabulary, math and the technique which creates a simple garlic basket. Once the technique is mastered, it can be enlarged or extrapolated into several basket styles and sizes.

The teaching style for this residency is one-on-one hands-on instruction by two master basket weavers. Lessons can span a one-day workshop to a week-long residency.



- ◆ Greg & Carla Filippelli  
*Handwoven & Dyed Basketry*
- ◆ Grades: K-12 plus adults
- ◆ Materials: supplied by artists  
Water source required at site
- ◆ Cost: varies according to lesson
- ◆ Available for Residency less than 5 days
- ◆ Available for Community Workshops