



The Braid Society - promoting braids & bands worldwide

We are an international society of textile enthusiasts, founded in 1993. We all have a strong interest in braids and narrow bands. Our members:

- Make braids or bands, as amateurs or professionals
- Teach others to make braids and bands
- Collect braids and bands
- Research braids and bands.

Membership is open to everyone, so why not join us? Members enjoy participating in practical activities such as:

- 'come & try' sessions and study days
- visits
- annual sample swap
- showing their work in society exhibitions.

We publish a quarterly newsletter and the annual journal, "Strands". Our lively and informative web site includes images of work, articles on techniques and lists of suppliers and tutors. We also have a helpful on-line discussion group. **For more information see: www.braidsociety.com**

Membership Application. (send this form to The Braid Society, Spring House, Old Stone Trough Lane, Kelbrook, Lancs. BB18 6UE)

Name: Date:

Address:

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Tel/fax: e-mail:

If you would like a Society lapel badge, 20mm diameter black on old gold, please tick here and add £2.00 to your subscription.

Cheque enclosed for £.

or Payment made by Paypal, £. (please tick box if Paypal used)

Please also complete questions overleaf

Membership Subscription rates:

Full Membership, Individual	£18-50
Full Membership, Family (1 copy of mailings)	£25
Long-haul Membership	£10

Membership is renewable annually on 1st November and we can now accept payment up to 5 years in advance. New members receive a welcome pack, which includes the latest issue of Strands. They will also receive the issue of Strands published at the end of the membership year. New members joining after 1st July pay £25, which includes their first part-year and the following membership year (they will receive three issues of Strands).

Long-haul membership is available to residents of Asia, the Americas, Africa, Australia and New Zealand. Long-haul members receive e-mailed newsletters and a copy of Strands, posted. It does not include participation in the swap or in exhibitions. They will have no voting rights and will pay non-member entry fees to Society events. They may upgrade to full membership at any time. (This is a 2 year trial from November 2009 to October 2011).

For overseas payments please use PayPal if possible. Send £19-50 sterling for one year full membership or £11-00 for one year Long-haul membership to: steve.g.pretty@btinternet.com (These amounts include £1 to cover PayPal charges). Otherwise, overseas payment should be made by cheque or International Money Order, in pounds sterling, payable to The Braid Society.

Please note, if you pay by PayPal, please send all the details requested in the form below by e-mail to steve.g.pretty@btinternet.com

If you would like to receive the quarterly newsletter by e-mail, please tick this box and save postage costs for your Society:

Braiding Interests: (please tick as many as you wish)

- 1. Japanese braiding [Kumihimo] 2. Inkle and rigid heddle 3. Tablet weaving
- 4. Ply-Split Braiding 5. Cords and tassels
- 6. Lucet and single element work 7. Loop manipulated braiding
- 8. Free-end braiding, e.g. Peruvian 9. Other, and general interest please specify below
- 10. Collector and/or historical collector

The personal data provided on this form will be stored in the Braid Society membership database. The data will only be used by the Braid Society to fulfil our obligations to members e.g. sending newsletters and Strands. The Braid Society also produces an annual membership list which at present includes members' names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses and braiding interests. This list is sent to all our members around the world to allow them to contact each other and set up local events. The Braid Society does not pass this list to other organisations or companies.

If you do not wish your name to appear on the circulated list please tick this box