## **About**

I have been weaving since I was a child and spinning since my early 20's! Dyeing followed quite naturally when I joined my local guild in Derbyshire.

After I gained my C & G 7307 in the early 80's I was asked to tutor a spinning and weaving class in South Derbyshire and I continued teaching this class for the Local Education Authority until the early 90's when it became my own private class.

I still run that private class, having taught many people, young, old, male and female to spin, weave and dye, and in August 2013 I was invited to step into Anne Fields shoes to teach at the Association Summer School after she passed away. September 2013 saw me celebrated teaching for 30 years.

In 2004 I qualified in Hand Woven Textile Design with a Distinction from Bradford College and in the same year won two awards from the Bradford Textile Society which let me to set up Alison Yule Textiles. I've gone on the join Design Factory and have been selected to exhibited across the UK at some of the best galleries in the country as well as at 100% Design in London and Maison et Objet in Paris, where I was also selected to exhibit at the prestigious Atelier Gallery, home of Atelier d'Art de France also in Paris.

I am co-author of "Creative Spinning" with Jane Deane who I met on the Bradford course and have been friends with her ever since.

I'm passionate about design and hope I can encourage the design challenged to take up their pencils, paints and paper again and rediscover their hidden talents, applying it to spinning and weaving and any other textile medium!

"Hello Alison, I wanted to email to say thank you for such a wonderful weaving course. Everything was perfect about it and you and your teaching are amazing. Thank you. I feel that I've managed to learn a lot and honestly I would really like to carry on weaving. Your enthusiasm and passion for weaving came through 110% all weekend and I think that some of this has rubbed off onto me!"

## Contact

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