In person classes will be held at: 5041 Ringwood Meadow, Bldg G-2 Sarasota, Fl 34235 (located within The Meadows Shopping Center, off Honore Ave. south of Whole Foods on University Pkwy)

Contact Ms. Marie via phone/text: 941.807.4779 or email mariesaldanacoaching@gmail.com with questions.

Yay Crochet! Suggested Grade Levels: 3 to 12 (no experience needed) This will be a combined class from Beginner to Advanced Thursday 3-4:30 pm (90 minute class. Student may be picked up at 4 pm, the extra half hour is available for more crochet time)

Whether your student is just beginning or familiar with yarn arts, Crocheting can be a great stress reducer as it calms the nerves as well as builds fine motor skill development. Crocheting, for both boys and girls, puts math in motion and helps them expose many of the hidden benefits of this art form. Beginners will learn and perfect the basic stitches using different hook sizes and varying yarn weights.

Aspects of design will also be incorporated as the children practice and perfect the foundation stitches as they make their own masterpieces to bring home. Projects will include seasonal items like crocheted pumpkins, holiday decorations, simple amigurimi toys, just to name a few.

The excitement of creating with hook and yarn continues for intermediate students. If you have attended one or more of my classes before and have created toys and basic clothing, this is your chance to further explore crochet with more intricate edgings, details and complicated toy patterns. I encourage personal projects to further encourage practice and to gain a more intimate understanding of the different types of yarn.

For the more advanced student, get ready to push your yarn journey to another level. Let's explore more intricate patterns and create larger pieces. Attention to details in all aspects of crocheting will be learned. Students are encouraged to have a personal project throughout the semesters that will push them beyond their crochet comfort zone. We will also produce pieces to be entered into the local county fairs.

Tunisian Crochet will also be taught using the afghan hook, which resembles a longer crochet hook. The projects to be made this year include slippers, stuffed toys, a granny square inspired article of clothing, and holiday themed presents. Student' ideas and projects are also welcomed. More yarn choices will also be experienced such as cotton, chenille, and fur and multiple sizes of crochet hooks will be used. Students are encouraged to work on their projects outside of the class as practice makes progress. No matter the level of the student, they are encouraged to share their knowledge with each other, ask questions and engage in conversation during class.

If your student has taken my classes before then you will receive another book.

Required book/supply fee per semester: \$99