

Gunnar Brammer and Brammer Custom Flies – Duluth, MN

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Program 1: The Perfect Streamer Set-up (Gear, Fly Rod and Line Design, Leader Building, Knots) +

Program 2: Natural Materials vs. Synthetics to maximize efficiency on the water

My name is Gunnar Brammer. I live in Duluth, MN where some of the greatest warmwater streams of the Midwest converge with the cold waters of Lake Superior. I was a late comer to Fly Fishing, and fishing in general. I first became interested in

fishing by means of a summer trip to Canada with family friends at the age of 14. The trips quickly became annual, and by the end of our second year, I was the sole member of our group who hadn't

caught a Northern Pike. It was that very year that my father and his friend had chased Pike on the fly, and their stories of massive pike rolling over lily pads trying to chase down their frog imitations, captivated me to say the least. Thus, I concluded, that fly fishing would be the answer to catching my first ever Pike. The year that followed was filled with hours of casting practice and time behind the vise, having received my first 5 wt fly rod, tying vice and tying starter kit. By next season I was caught up to speed having read Kelly Galloups Streamers for Modern Trout, and was armed with a 6wt and 200 grain full sinking line, and a box full of "unique" streamers....Many Pikes were landed, and fuel was added to the fire!



Years later, I found myself surrounded by mountain peaks with the deafening roar of the waters of the Madison River just behind me as I started my first day at Galloup's Slide Inn. That summer working for Kelly was life changing. I fished 7 days a week, and likely tied flies even more often if that were possible. Each night I would stay awake at the vise, with the same (and only movie I had) running in the background as I would try to create the perfect streamer. As summer waned, I headed back to Michigan for my final semester at Michigan Tech, but the passion for tying streamers never left me.

That following year I remained in the Midwest working as a Wildlife Field Technician, stationed a short distance away from Boulder Junction, WI. Although I enjoyed reminiscing about the aggressive Brown Trout that I left behind in the mountains of the Madison valley, I was far more content to chase the toothy critters that I had fallen in love with from the very beginning. Pike and Musky became an obsession that I still have today and has greatly shaped my tying efforts over the past few years. Later that fall (2015) I started Brammer's Custom Flies and started down the path of becoming a commercial tier.

My obsession is foremost with Baitfish patterns ranging from 3" Smallmouth patterns all the way 14" BEAST Styled Musky Flies and Offshore Flies, with everything in between. Over the past few years of commercial tying I have thoroughly explored every avenue worthy of being considered a "streamer" from Synthetics to Naturals, Tubes to Shanks, and Single hook to Multi-Articulated flies, and have shared everything worth sharing on my YouTube Channel. With a young and growing family, I no longer have the time to operate in the capacity of a commercial tier but have truly been blessed to spend that time behind the vise perfecting my craft. Recently, I joined the RIO Flies Signature Tyer Team and work to diligently provide them, and all of you, with the most successful patterns I can!



I now have the privilege of traveling the country to teach the art of Streamer Tying and Streamer Design. My flies have been featured in multiple magazines as well as a handful of books over the past few years. You can follow me on Instagram at #gunnar_brammer, Subscribe to my YouTube Channel (the URL is really long....just Google my name 😊), and Visit my Website at <https://www.streamersbygunnar.com/> I am a RIO Flies Signature Tier and Ambassador for RIO Fly Lines, and member of the Pro Team for HMM Visers, Hedron Inc, and a friend of Ahrex Hooks.

