

2021 Alice Springs Beanie Festival International Competition

Yarning Myths and Legends

Celebrating an amazing 25 years of the Alice Springs Beanie Festival

This year we invite you to research the stories from our remote past. Re-tell the ancient stories that have been passed from mother to daughter over the centuries. Celebrate the heroines and creatures from history and world mythology; and present their new contemporary forms in your beanies.

Beanie Competition and Exhibition: Gallery One, Araluen Arts Centre, Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs
Opening: Friday 25th June 2021 at 7pm. Then open daily until Sunday 16th July

1 Celebrating a favourite myth

Interpret a god/dess, an ancestral being or any mighty hero/ine from world mythology

2 Celebrating a mythological creature

Demons, griffins, the kraken, bunyips, unicorns, and cyclops all welcome.

3 Celebrating a legend or folk tale in your beanie

Think of Joan of Arc or Ned Kelly. Or show us the Boy who cried Wolf.

4 Celebrate a mythological character or creature from pop-culture

Thor, Captain Marvel, Nebula, Cat Woman, Hermoine, Buck Beak, Spiderman, Moana

5 Colour Magic

For a beanie that uses colour in extra ordinary ways.

6 Mrs Haggie's Spirit of the Land Prize

For a beanie celebrating Australian wildlife or country.

7 The Eileen Bladon Tea Cosy Prize

For a marvellous tea cosy that shows a season or extreme weather event.

8 Heart Felt Prize

Aunt Jenny's heartfelt prize for wet felting, nuno-felting, needle felting or a knit and felted masterpiece.

9 Stitched Up Prize

For an incredible piece of work made using knitting or crochet.

10 Embellishment Prize

For a remarkable piece of work incorporating feathers, tjanpi, embroidery, stitching or other embellishment.

11 Beanie Festival Committee Acquisition Prize

For wonderful piece of work that we'll add to the festival collection.

12 Kids' Prize

A prize for a beanie-maker 18 and under, whose work shows talent and potential.

13 Central Australian Prize

For a magnificent work, made by an artist from the Central Desert and surrounds.

14 2021 People's Choice

A prize for the favourite beanie, as voted by festival visitors.

Late entries will be returned COD. Prepare early! It takes 2 weeks for parcels to arrive in Alice Springs.

Please send a post pack for return beanies. Or we must return entries in a box COD, which can be expensive.

Do not send hat stands or teapots with your entry.

Our beanie definition includes any hat that provides warmth and sits well on the head.

No fascinators or string hats will be exhibited in 2021.

The committee reserves the right to not exhibit works that they deem offensive or derogatory.

NOTE: All beanies will be judged in all categories.

Everyone can have a go at entering a beanie – not just designers!

PRIZES

★ Prizes include a \$200 cash prize, bundle of yarns from Biggan Yarns and a handmade trophy.

★ \$500 Bendigo Bank Cash prize for the People's Choice winner.

★ The Aunt Jenny's heartfelt prize: A beautiful bundle of fleeces.

★ Winners will be announced on Friday **25 June 2021** at the opening. The winners will be posted on the website www.beaniefest.org The Peoples' Choice will be announced at 1pm Monday June 28th 2021.

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 29th May 2021

All Enquiries: For advice, encouragement or swing tags:

Email – beaniefestival@gmail.com

Phone – Jo 0408 436 928

Facebook message - Alice Springs Beanie Festival

www.beaniefest.org



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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

All entries must be received 5pm, Friday 28 May 2021.

Yarning Myths and Legends: CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 1) **All entries must arrive by last mail 28 May 2021.** No discussion or extensions possible.
- 2) **Each competitor may enter two pieces into the competition. The first entry must be for sale, the second can be for sale or not for sale.**
- 3) **Sales:** There is a tendency to underprice the work, so please consider all your costs - materials, postage, entry fees, commission, effort etc.

- 4) **Send entries to: Alice Springs Beanie Festival, Araluen Arts Centre, PO Box 3521, Alice Springs NT 0871**

- 5) **Each entry must be delivered with:**
 - i) **Entry fee: a non-refundable entry fee of \$20 per beanie/tea cosy.** Payment can be made by cheque or money order to the Alice Springs Beanie Festival. Cash payment may be made by hand delivery only. International entries payment must be made with an international bank cheque or Australian dollars.
 - ii) **Receipts:** If you require a receipt, please request in writing with a stamped, self-addressed envelope
 - iii) **Identification Label:** The artists name, address and price must be marked and firmly stitched (not pinned) to the inside crown of the beanie. Please use a cloth tag (you only need to do this for competition beanies).
 - iv) **Beanie Festival Swingtag** must also be attached so that it hangs out of the beanie from the inside crown in an obvious way, with the price clearly written.
 - v) **Barcode** We will attach a barcode to your entry as we receive it and note it on your entry form.
 - vi) **Entry Form:** a completed and signed entry form.
 - vii) **Artists statement/Beanie Stories** (optional): Please send an artist statement with your work in a one page A4 format. If your work is in a particular cultural/family tradition we would love to know the origins of your work, e.g. send a story

about your work, a story about your making. This will be placed in an A4 folder within the exhibition space and possibly used in festival publications.

- 6) **All entries will be seen by the judges.**
- 7) **Any entries that are not displayed within the Araluen Gallery** will be displayed as part of the Beanie Central Exhibition.
- 8) **50% commission will be taken from the asking price by the Araluen Gallery (40%) and the Beanie Festival (10%).**
- 9) **Payment from sold work:** Payment for sold works will be made by cheque as soon as possible after the close of the exhibition (July 17th)
- 10) **International Entries:** Cheques will be sent in Australian dollars.
- 11) **While all care will be taken with the entries,** no responsibility will be accepted for lost or damaged items, by the Alice Springs Beanie Festival or the Araluen Arts Centre. Insurance remains the responsibility of the artist.
- 12) **The Beanie Festival reserves the right to use** images of the works entered free of charge for any promotion or publication. Apart from this, copy right resides with the entrant.
- 13) **All entries must have been produced after 1 July 2020 and not previously exhibited.**
- 14) **Unsold work:** All unsold work will be returned to the artist. Please note on the entry form how you would like your piece returned and **include a post pack for a squashable beanie or COD paperwork for a boxed with entry fee if appropriate.** Please note COD (cash on delivery can be very expensive).

Detach and send with entries

ENTRY FORM: Yarning Myths and Legends - 2021 ALICE SPRINGS BEANIE FESTIVAL COMPETITION

I hereby certify that the entries are my own hand-made originals, produced after July 2020 and I agree to the above conditions:

Name					Age* (Optional)?		Years Young
Address				Town/City			
State		Country		Postcode			
Email				Telephone			

ENTRY 1 Title:

(Judges decide categories for each entry)

Price (include commission) \$

barcode number

ENTRY 2 Title:

Price (include commission) \$

barcode number

Signature

Date

Return postage options: (please tick your chosen option)

- Express post bag. please send postpack with your entry** We will post each beanie back in a post bag. We will return postpack if your beanie sells.
- Boxed Cash-On-Delivery.** (very expensive) We will box up your beanie and send it COD (please send a completed COD form with your entry).

All Enquiries call 0408 436 928 or email: beaniefestival@gmail.com

**We'd like to gather data about Beanie-Makers to better understand our community and the impact we help create.*