

**ALICE  
♥ SPRINGS  
BEANIE  
FESTIVAL**



**PROGRAM**

Friday 24 June - Monday 27 June 2022

Araluen Arts Centre

[www.beaniefest.org](http://www.beaniefest.org)

# Alice Springs Beanie Festival

*Welcome Beanie Lovers to the Alice Springs Beanie Festival 2022!*

*We invite you to come along and be a part of our 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations. WOW! 26 years of beanies! How to imagine in 1997 100 beanies and a band of friends grew to 6000 beanies and thousands of beanie lovers form around the world! Enjoy the warmth, colour and joy that everyone brings to our unique Central Australian event. We have a bumper crop of beanies (over 6000) from all over the world and they are looking for heads to keep warm. So splash out and get yourself, and your friends, some of the world's most creative head gear.*

*Alongside the beanies, there is plenty to keep you entertained. Sit down, have a read of this program and make sure you get involved. Don't forget, on Monday we have the Big Beanie Sale with 10% off all stock, including beanies.*

*Our main aim is to provide opportunities for the Indigenous women of remote Central Australia to get involved. This year, we have run workshops in Titjikala, Santa Teresa, Ampilatwatja, Ali Curung and Tennant Creek. The ladies of Ernabella have also been busy making beanies too. These artists have produced some beautiful, inspiring beanies. Some of these women will be attending the festival, so take some time to join their workshops and hear some of their stories.*

*Many thanks go to the many volunteers who have put this festival together: they are our backbone. Also, a big thank you to our sponsors. May you all walk proud with warm, creative heads and hearts.*

**Free bus service to and from the Beanie Festival** Need a lift to the festival?

Call Kristian on **0410 806 823**

We can come and collect you then drop you home.

Thanks to the Gillen Club and Bush Bee for the loan of their bus.

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## Gala Opening Night

### Sponsored by the Alice Springs Town Council

Everyone is invited to the Gala Opening and of the 26<sup>th</sup> Alice Springs Beanie Festival.

**This year's theme is Stitching Hearts**

#### **6.00 pm**

Opening address from His Worship, Mayor Matt Paterson, Welcome to Country from Senior Arrernte Woman, Pat Ansell-Dodds.

Your MC will be Deb White.

The Alice Springs Beanie Festival opens, with the announcement of competition winners.

Beanies will be on sale and there will be lots of **entertainment including Rusty and the Infidels, Drum Atweme, The Shavings** and the Dog Futon! And of course, you can pick up many delicious treats from the community food stalls or a drink from the Araluen bar!

#### **7.00pm**

The doors open to exhibition Stitching Hearts in the Araluen Galleries

*Date: Friday 24 June, 6 – 9pm*

*Venue: Araluen Arts Centre, Larapinta Drive Cost: Free!*

## **Beanie Central**

Beanie Central is the centrepiece of the festival long weekend.

This is where the thrill and mayhem of chasing the perfect beanie takes place, with thousands of beanies on display and for sale. There will be plenty of beanies, baskets, Indigenous spinning and free crotchet workshops. And don't forget our fabulous teashop or even something from the BBQ to keep you bellies warm.

Make sure you head back on Monday: we take 10% off all the beanies and merchandise!

#### **Beanie Central Dates:**

*Opens Friday 24 June 2022, 10am – 5pm*

*Saturday 25 June 2022, 10am – 5pm*

*Sunday 26 June 2022, 10am – 5pm*

*Monday 27 June 2022, 10am – 5pm*

*Venue: Witchetty's, Araluen Arts Centre, Larapinta Drive Cost: Gold Coin Donation*

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## Special Events in the Araluen Foyer and Verandah

**Free Workshops:** Learn to crochet your own beanie (wool and hooks on sale)  
*Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 June, 2pm.*

**Needle Felt a Beanie with the Indigenous Women of Central Australia** Sit with the women as they show you how to needle felt a beautiful beanie: drop in anytime and get started. Share a story and meditate the day away in the winter sun.  
*Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 June, 10am – 5pm Cost: \$30*

### **Purple House**

A special treat! Try some real bush medicines made by local Indigenous women using traditional methods and even purchase some to take home to use for your ailments.

### **Children's Activities**

Free activities for children of all ages to learn to explore yarns through traditional techniques, including weaving and a giant French knitting circle.

## **The Alice Springs Beanie Festival Exhibition and National Beanie Competition**

A wild array of fantastic textiles by makers from across Australia and the world. The exhibition highlights works from Indigenous workshops held annually in communities across Central Australia. See the winners of the National Beanie Competition and cast your vote for the People's Choice Award.

**Special thanks to our judges:**, Dan Murphy, Doris Stuart, Gay Epstien and Jen StandishWhite.

*Opening Friday 24 June, from 6.00pm*

*Venue: Araluen Arts Centre Galleries. Open daily from 10am – 4pm (or until 5pm on the Festival weekend)*

*Cost: \$15 for a 4day pass so you can come as often as you like, available from the Araluen Gallery Desk. Free entry for Northern Territory Residents*

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## Events around Alice Springs Central Craft Workshops

An amazing and inspiring array of fabulous textile workshops will be held at the Central Craft, found on the grounds of the Araluen Cultural Precinct. Treat yourself to some me time, learn a new skill or make new friends. So much to choose from including wet felting, needle felting, basket weaving, crochet, beading, dying, weaving, and wearable art. Check out the program calendar for details and then head online to book. See our calendar of events for more details

*Venue: Central Craft, Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive*

*Bookings: [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)*

## Sustainable Couture 2022 Collection

### Shades of Sustainability

The multi-cultural parade will include a collection of classic ‘choose well – buy less’ designs from the 1970s, simple up-cycling as an option for less skilled sewers, a children’s section as well as the usual fabulous distinctive designs.

### Sunday 26 June

11am - 3pm.

**Marketplace: 1.30 pm – 4pm**

**Parade: 3:00pm – 4:00pm**

Outside the Central Australian Aviation Museum, Araluen Arts Centre

Tickets <https://www.trybooking.com/BYUQQ> or Central Craft & Red Kangaroo Books

Adults \$25pp

At gate: Primary school kids \$5; secondary \$10; littlies free.

### Pop-up shop (The Residency) - Monday 27 to Sunday 3 July

*Venue: Central Australian Aviation Museum, Araluen Cultural Precinct, Memorial Drive*

### Tapatjatjaka

Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

*Friday 18 June – Sunday 11 July*

*Venue: Central Craft, Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive 8CCC*

**8CCC Community Radio** will be playing tunes for you all weekend long, along with crafty interviews and creative content. *Live broadcast from the Araluen Arts Centre Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 June, 10am – 2pm*

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## Calendar

### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

**10 am – 5 pm** *Witchetty's*

Volunteer Registration: sign on as volunteer and help us set up the Festival

**10am – 4pm** *Central Craft*

**Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative** exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June

**9.00am-2.00pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Create Your Own Festival Beanie with Margy Alexander \$120

**10am – 4.30pm** *Witchetty's*

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**4.30pm** *Witchetty's*

Volunteers meeting and welcome

### Friday 23<sup>th</sup> June

**9am – 12pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Indigo Splash with Margy Alexander \$90

Create your own Wearable Felt Neckpiece with Pamela Mills \$90

Stitch Album with Anne Stewart and Kate Merry \$100

**10am-12pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Grass Vase With Jude Mapleson and Mandy Webb \$50

**10am** *Araluen Arts Centre Galleries*

Thank you morning tea and preview of the exhibition for all our fabulous sponsors.

Invitation only.

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**10am – 4pm** *Central Craft*

Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

**1pm – 4pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Weave a Beanie With Anne Stewart \$110

**6pm – 8.30pm** *Araluen Arts Centre*

Gala Opening Night (Sponsored by the Alice Springs Town Council)

Opening of **Stitching Hearts Exhibition**

Announcement of the Competition winners, live entertainment, food, dancing and fun!

## **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

**9am -12pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

A Million Tiny Fibres Pouch with Margy Alexander \$95

Weave a Beanie 2 with Anne Stewart \$110

**9.00am-10.30am** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Weaving tetra-pack Baskets with Jasmine Boyers \$50

**10.00am-12.00pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

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Stitching Hearts Exhibition and National Beanie Competition

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Needle felt a beanie with Indigenous Women of Central Australia Drop-in anytime \$30

**10am – 5pm** *Araluen Arts Centre Verandah* Free drop in children's workshops

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**1pm-4pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Boro with Anne Stewart \$110

Weaving Journey with Tracey Murphy \$150

Not Just Mending with Margy Alexander \$90

**2pm** *Araluen Arts Centre Verandah*

Free Beanie Making Crochet workshops

## **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

**9am-12pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Make a Felt Pod with Pamela Mills \$90

Eco Dyeing Using Local Foliage With Margy Alexander \$100

Threads of Life Through a Beanie! with Belinda McCulloch \$70

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**5pm Gillen Club, Milner Road**

Volunteer Dinner to thank all our volunteers and present prizes for fantastic volunteer efforts. Please register at Volunteer Table (Free for volunteers, \$12 for friends)

## Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June

**10am – 5pm Witchetty’s**

10% off all Beanies – TODAY ONLY!

Beanie Central opens. More than 6000 beanies for sale, as well as our tea shop and textile demonstrations.

**10am – 12pm Central Craft** book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Rainbow Dyeing with John Walker \$100

**10am – 5pm Araluen Arts Centre Galleries**

Stitching Hearts Exhibition and National Beanie Competition

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**10am – 5pm** *Araluen Arts Centre Verandah*

Free drop in children's workshops

**10am – 12pm** *Witchetty's*

Sharing circles: Sit with some of our beanie makers and share in their craft and stories

**10am – 4pm** *Central Craft*

**Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka**

**1pm** *Araluen Arts Centre Galleries*

Announcement of the Bendigo Bank Peoples' Choice Award. Come along to find out who the people voted as their favourite beanie for 2022.

## **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

Beanie Central is now closed and with it, the main festival arena. Come and help us pack up and bump out!

**10am – 4pm** *Araluen Arts Centre Galleries*

Stitching Hearts Exhibition and National Beanie Competition

**10am-3pm** *Central Craft* book online [www.centralcraft.org](http://www.centralcraft.org)

Fabric Woven Bag with Cathy Tobin

**10am – 4pm** *Central Craft*

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## **Calling All Volunteers: The Beanie Festival needs you!**

The Alice Springs Beanie Festival is a community event and runs on the support of volunteers. We love anyone who can come along and give a helping hand – it's a lot of fun! There are plenty of jobs and times available.

Put your name on the roster at the Volunteer Station in Witchetty's at the Araluen Arts Centre, anytime from Wednesday 22 June, 11am.

*Any inquiries?* Call Jo on 0408 436 927

## **Central Craft Workshops**

*Any inquiries?* Call 08 8952 3417 or visit [www.centralcraft.org.au](http://www.centralcraft.org.au)

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## **Stitching Hearts Exhibition and National Beanie Competition**

**10am – 4pm** *Araluen Arts Centre Galleries*

**Open everyday til July 15**

**The Beanie Festival would not could not happen without support from many.**

Poster and T-Shirt Design: Rosy Murphy

Prizes: Designed and crafted by artists from Tapatjatjaka Artsists, Titjikala

Volunteer coordinators: Deb White and Alma Straw

Exhibition Curator: Eremaya Albrecht

Witchetty's Design: Adi Dunlop, Mez Hughes, Jo Nixon

Photography: Eremaya Albrecht

Cataloguers: Kristian Malinski and Jo Nixon

Remote Beanie Workshop Teachers: Tanya Hattingh and Siri Omberg

Scholarship winner: Cushla Murphy

### **And the Beanie Festival Committee:**

Chair: Phil Walcott

Vice Chair: Deb White

Treasurer: Anita Suich

Secretary: Jess O'Brien

Members: Kris Malenski, Deb Taylor Tompson, Tanya Hattingh, Pip Sarah, Julie Kitson, Brigita Bezjak, Doug Brown and Tapatjatjaka Arts.

Executive Officer: Jo Nixon

Special thanks to the staff of the Araluen Arts Centre for their generosity, assistance and being home to our wonderful festival.

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