



PROGRAM

Friday 25 June - Monday 28 June 2021

Araluen Arts Centre

Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs www.beaniefest.org

Alice Springs Beanie Festival

Welcome Beanie Lovers to the Alice Springs Beanie Festival 2021!

We invite you to come along and be a part of our 25th

Anniversary celebrations. WOW! 25 years of beanies! How to imagine in 1997 100 beanies and a band of friends grew to 7000 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 7000) 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, Yuendumu 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 806 825**

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 25th Alice Springs Beanie Festival.

This year's theme is Yarning Myths and Legends

6.00 pm

Opening address from Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran AO, Administrator of the Northern Territory and His Worship, Mayor Damien Ryan, 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, Splinter Sisters, Braitling School and the Oh Balters! 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 in the Araluen Galleries

Date: Friday 25 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 crochet workshops. And don't 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 25 June 2021, 10am – 5pm

Saturday 26 June 2021, 10am – 5pm

Sunday 27 June 2021, 10am – 5pm

Monday 28 June 2021, 10am – 5pm

Venue: Witchetty's, Araluen Arts Centre, Larapinta Drive

Cost: Gold Coin Donation

Alice Springs Beanie Festival

Special Events in the Araluen Foyer and Verandah

Free Workshops: Learn to crochet your own beanie (wool and hooks on sale)

Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 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 26 & Sunday 27 June, 10am – 5pm

Cost: \$25

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: Her Honour the Honourable Vicki O'Halloran AO, Administrator of the Northern Territory Brian Tucker, Biggan Duups and Jen Standish-White.

Opening Friday 25 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, knitting, crochet, beading, dying, weaving, print making and wearable art. Check out the program calendar for details and then head online to book. See our calendar of events for more details

Sunday 23 June – Monday 1 July

Venue: Central Craft, Araluen Cultural Precinct, Larapinta Drive

Bookings: www.centralcraft.org

Sustainable Couture 2021 Collection

One World- Many Threads

Sustainable Couture is a thriving network of textile artists and designers in Alice Springs, who work collaboratively and innovatively, using recycled materials to create distinctive fashion garments, accessories and home-wares.

www.sustainable-couture.com

[Ticket bookings \(\\$20\) trybooking.com/BOGSH](https://trybooking.com/BOGSH)

Opening Event

Sunday 27 June

Market place from 11am-4pm

Parade starts at 12.30pm

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

Tapatjatjaka

Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjataka

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 26 and Sunday 27 June, 10am – 2pm*

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Calendar

Saturday 19th June

10am-2pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org
Eco Printing Workshop with Julie Millerick

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*
Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

Tuesday 22nd June

10am-2pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org
Eco Printing Workshop with Julie Millerick

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*
Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

Wednesday 23rd June

10 am – 5 pm *Witchetty's*
Volunteer Registration: sign on as volunteer and help us set up the Festival

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*
Felted Hat Creation workshop with Margy Alexander

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*
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Thursday 27th June

10am – 4.30pm *Witchetty's*
Volunteer Registration: sign on as volunteer and help us set up the Festival

10am – 3pm *Central Craft* Workshops book online www.centralcraft.org
Collecting and Connecting Cyanotype Masterclass with Aly de Groot

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*
Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

4.30pm *Witchetty's*
Volunteers meeting and welcome

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Friday 25th June

9am – 12pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Create a Canvas Needle Case with Anne Stewart

Wish Upon a Jelly Fish with Aly de Groot

10am-12pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Weave the Seasons with Janis Morgan, Robyn Adams, Lynne Harlow

10am *Araluen Arts Centre Galleries*

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

Invitation only.

10am – 5pm *Witchetty's*

Beanie Central opens. More than 7000 beanies for sale!

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*

Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

1pm – 4pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Rag Rug with Weaving Sticks with Cathy Tobin

Trashion Upcycled Earrings with Aly de Groot

Indigo Splash with Margy Alexander

6pm – 8.30pm *Araluen Arts Centre*

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

Opening of Yarning Myths and Legends Exhibition

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

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Saturday 29th June

9am -12pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Nuno Felt Scarf with Margy Alexander

Introduction to Cyanotype with Aly de Groot

Weave a Beanie with Anne Stewart

10am – 5pm *Witchetty's*

Beanie Central opens. More than 7000 beanies for sale, as well as our tea shop and textile demonstrations.

10am – 5pm *Araluen Arts Centre Galleries*

Yarning Myths and Legends Exhibition and National Beanie Competition

10am – 5pm *Araluen Arts Centre Verandah*

Needle felt a beanie with Indigenous Women of Central Australia Drop-in anytime
\$25

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

drop in children's workshops

10am-2pm *Araluen Arts Centre Verandah*

Live radio broadcast by 8CCC Community Radio

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*

Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

1pm-4pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Rag Rug with Weaving Sticks with Cathy Tobin

Mending- Visible and invisible with Marg Alexander

Boro with Anne Stewart

Bookmaking workshop with Anne Davies

2pm *Araluen Arts Centre Verandah*

Free Beanie Making Crochet workshops

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Sunday 30th June

9am-12pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Sashiko on Jeans with Anne Stewart

Burlesque Basketry with Aly de Groot

Botanical Dyeing with Margy Alexander

10am – 5pm *Witchetty's*

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Little Felt Pods workshop with Wendy Bailye

Beading workshop with Paula Moggs

Weave a Beanie 2 workshop with Anne Stewart

Knit Miniature Socks workshop with Barb McIlvain

2pm *Araluen Arts Centre Verandah*

Free Beanie Making Crochet workshops

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)

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Monday 1st July

10am – 5pm *Witchetty's*

10% off all Beanies – TODAY ONLY!

Beanie Central opens. More than 7000 beanies for sale, as well as our tea shop and textile demonstrations.

10am – 12pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Resist Stitching and Indigo Dip with Margy Alexander

10am – 5pm *Araluen Arts Centre Galleries*

Yarning Myths and Legends Exhibition and National Beanie Competition

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 2021.

Tuesday 2nd July

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*

Yarning Myths and Legends Exhibition and National Beanie Competition

10am-3pm *Central Craft* book online www.centralcraft.org

Fabric Woven Bag with Cathy Tobin

10am – 4pm *Central Craft*

Tapatjatjaka: Collaborative exhibition by Artists at Tapatjatjaka

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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 23 June, 11 am.

Any inquiries? Call Jo on 0408 436 928

Central Craft Workshops

Any inquiries? Call 08 8952 3417 or visit www.centralcraft.org.au

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

Poster and T-Shirt Design: Merran Hughes

Prizes: Designed and crafted by Nita Furguson from Tapatjatjaka Artsists, Titjikala

Volunteer coordinators: Deb White and Alma Straw

Exhibition Curator: Eramaya Albrecht

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

Photography: Eramaya Albrecht

Cataloguers: Kristian Malinski and Jo Nixon

Remote Beanie Workshop Teachers: Kristian Malenski, Siri Omberg and Julie Kitson

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 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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And our sponsors!

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