



# *Textile and Fibre Arts Network Inc.*

## *Newsletter 3. November 2014*

Website <http://www.textileandfibreartsnetwork.org.nz/>

### **Network Update**

Newsletter number 3. Please forward to interested members, friends etc.

**We would like to know about your upcoming events so they can be circulated. This includes exhibitions, workshops, beginner's courses, speakers, open days etc., especially workshops where you may have spaces available.**

Let newsletter Editor Ros McCarthy [ros.mccarthy@gmail.com](mailto:ros.mccarthy@gmail.com) know of any newsworthy items.

### **Crafty Christchurch**

A big thank you to those who supported our Network and their own Guild stands at Crafty Christchurch. It was a lot of work, but a great show to visit, to shop and admire the exhibitions. Very inspirational! Well done to the organising committee of Crafty Christchurch.

### **De- cluttering!**

It's time to de clutter our craft rooms. Our annual Network Craft de clutter sale is coming up again and there will be something for everyone.

Funds raised go towards the objectives of the Textile and Fibre Arts Network Inc., in promoting and supporting Guilds and Groups in our city and environments.

### **Annual Craft De-Clutter Sale**

**Saturday 7 February, from 9-12.30 pm**

**St Mark's Church Hall corner of Opawa Rd and Vincent Place**

Donations are sought from members of any unwanted but saleable craft items or accessories.

These include fabric, sewing bits and pieces, wool, fibre, threads, buttons, patterns, embellishments, small quilted or handmade items, books and magazines, etc. Even UFO's!

Please sort and bag up your items and give them to your local Guild or group contact person, or drop them into us on **Friday 6 February from 6-9pm** when we will be setting up.

We would also love some helpers to set up the tables and sell on the day. Contact our Secretary Ros on [ros.mccarthy@gmail.com](mailto:ros.mccarthy@gmail.com) if you are able to help.

### **Two new Groups join the Network**

We welcome the Canterbury Modern Quilt Guild (who have Hayley Reid as a delegate on our committee,) and the Cust Craft Group, to the Network. Benefits of membership include free promotion in our brochure and on our website. In return, our member groups will be asked to assist us at our displays by providing display items, and staffing display stands, and supporting our

events e.g. seeking donated items for our de clutter sale. As per our constitution, groups need to have been in existence for at least a year before applying for membership.

## Featured Artist –Linda Tayles, Christchurch Needle Work Guild



My earliest memory of embroidery was with my Grandmother then later Brownies and Guides. Guides in particular as we did drawn thread work and I was hooked.

I have always been very interested in a variety of crafts, quilting, patchwork, felting, knitting, bonsai and sewing. But raised embroidery seems to be my preference: stumpwork, Brazilian, goldwork and needle lace using a variety of threads and textures. A recent holiday to Australia and a catch up with tutors

Alison Cole and Debbie Mercer was a real highlight. I recently entered ANZEG competition (see photo “Childhood Memories”) I have Wanaka embroidery school in March to look forward to and am very busy working on colour module for an ANZEG certificate.

My hint for working on an original piece. I can’t usually envisage how the finished article will be stitched. It can often take me as long to work out how I am going to stitch it as the actual stitching. It helps to think outside the square. I often use a combination of stitches and textures, drawing on patchwork, embroidery and recently macramé to finish a piece. Happy stitching, Linda

## What’s happening.....?

**O**pen Day Canterbury Embroiderers’ Guild. Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup> 10:00-3:00. Come along & join us for a day or part day. A small project will be provided or bring your own stitching. Bring your lunch, tea & coffee provided. All welcome. Guild rooms, Amos Place (off Marshland Road). Email: [CEGstitchers@gmail.com](mailto:CEGstitchers@gmail.com) for more information.

Canterbury Embroiderers’ Guild has the following tutors visiting early next year.

**Janine Smith from Oamaru is taking a class on Mannequins February 28<sup>th</sup> & March 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Annie Huntly** from Australia is here on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> of March. The project is yet to be decided. Visit Annie’s website “Room for Threads” [www.roomforthreads.com.au/](http://www.roomforthreads.com.au/) to see what Annie does.



The Textile & Fibre Art Network meets on the 22nd October at McDonalds, Moorhouse Avenue at 9:30.