



Wellington Embroiderers Guild

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President's Welcome



Happy New Year everyone, can you believe it is February this week! And our first meeting of the year next week, don't you find time flies faster as you get older. The February meeting looks to be really interesting with our regional representative Susan Lennie coming to talk to us, this will be an interactive meeting so no zoom and it would be fantastic to get a really high turnout so come along with your ideas and suggestions and let's get the Wellington Guild buzzing and use some of the suggestions that come out as a basis for planning the new year. Unfortunately I cannot make it to this meeting as I am in Auckland, but Cathy Trewby will be looking after things, thank you Cathy.

A reminder that we will need a new Treasurer in May, no nominations or interest so far for this important job so please consider putting your name forward, no treasurer no guild, just saying.

A quick call out to the committee who work so hard for the guild and have so much enthusiasm and great ideas for making the guild a success, thanks all. + + + + +

Have a wonderful February and meeting on the 8th and I'll see you all in March. + + + + +

Caroline Birkinshaw President + + +

Celebrated Work



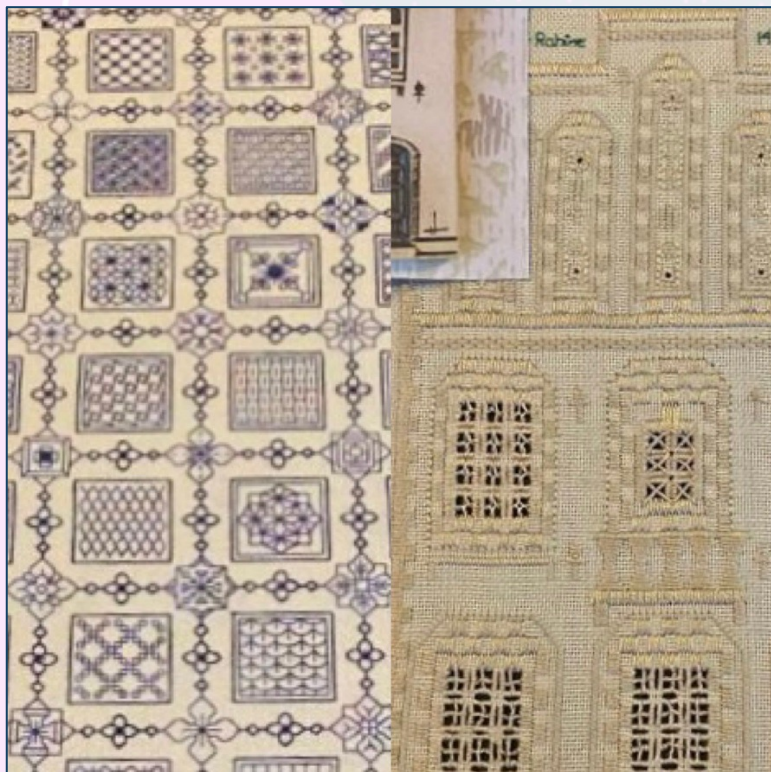
Congratulations to Jane Campbell for winning the People's Choice award for work undertaken this year. Awarded at the end of year meeting in December. The Puriri Moth is exquisite.

The other projects that were undertaken by members throughout the year were fabulous. Thanks everyone for bringing them to the meeting for us all to admire.

Please send in your work for feature in our Celebrated Work section each month.

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Our felt teddies will be an ongoing project for Wellington Hospital.



February Meeting



We are delighted to have Susan Lennie, our Regional Representative of the Association of New Zealand Embroiderers Guild (ANZEG) come to talk to us at the next meeting. Susan is meeting with each Guild to get feedback from a regional perspective on a range of subjects. This will give her the information she needs to for future planning and to address any concerns. This will be an interactive session, but feedback will be anonymous. So....if you have any ideas or concerns that you would like to have heard this is your opportunity to voice them. All feedback will be written on a note that will be passed to Susan anonymously.

Questions will include,

- what is working well?
- what needs to improve/could be improved?
- what opportunities can you see or what would you like to see happening?
- what would stop you from taking up these opportunities?

Because this is an interactive session there will be no Zoom link available.

There are a few places left on this Saturday course with Jo Dixey. We would love you to encourage friends and family who are not Guild members and may not yet have fallen in love with stitch as we have, to come along. This is a great opportunity to help someone to start. Jo will be using the basic stitches that she teaches during the day to form the figures shown in the picture or similar.

Cost to Guild members is \$35 and \$50 for non-members. **Immediate payment is required to the treasurer, from those who have already registered for any of the three courses. It's a bargain!**

Wellington Embroiderer's Guild

is delighted to host celebrated embroiderer **Jo Dixie** on Saturday 11 March. For those who want to start their embroidery journey, this Embroidery 101 course will be a great way to begin.



You will learn 9 basic stitches that will give you confidence to stitch the figures above during the class. Come and have a fun day with a trained embroiderer from the Royal School of Needlework, Hampton Court.

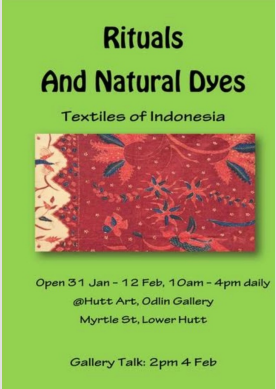

WHERE: Karori Arts and Crafts,
7, Beauchamp Street, Karori.

COST: \$50 for the full day

WHEN: Saturday 11 March 2023

CONTACT FOR REGISTRATION: Marjorie
at weg.tres@gmail.com

2023 Upcoming Exhibitions, Events and Workdays

Date	Description	Host and Location
<p>Tuesday 31 Jan-Sunday 12 Feb</p> 	<p>Exhibition of Indonesian Textiles and Ikat, using natural dyes for most of the colours. On Saturday 4 Feb at 2.00pm there will be a talk about the dyeing process as well as looking at the rituals associated with their production and the meanings of some of the patterns. The speaker will be Dr Gillian Green.</p>	<p>Hutt Art 9-11 Myrtle St, Lower Hutt http://www.huttart.co.nz/</p>
	<p>Hutt Art's new textile programme is now available. Classes include Shibori dyeing, Indian embroidery techniques, hand sewn books, Boro, Bojagi, Redwork crewel work and reticella</p>	<p>Hutt Art 9-11 Myrtle St, lower Hutt http://www.huttart.co.nz/</p>

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Date	Description	Host Guild and Location
<p>Fri, Sat, Sun 10-12 March</p> <p>All payments should be made to the treasurer immediately to secure your place</p>	<p>JO DIXEY COURSES</p> <p>Friday Designing from Old Textiles</p> <p>Saturday Embroidery 101</p> <p>Sunday Embroidery Masterclass</p> <p>Details and needs lists will be detailed in next months newsletter.</p>	<p>Wellington Embroiderer's Guild.</p> <p>Classes to be held at Karori Arts and Crafts</p> <p>Contact: Marjorie</p> <p>7, Beauchamp St.</p> <p>weg.tres@gmail.com</p>
<p>Saturday 18 March Doors open 9.45am</p>	<p>STITCHING WORKDAY</p> <p>Don't forget <u>The Beryl Callaghan Memorial Challenge.</u></p> <p>Door fee and 3 raffle tickets \$5.00. Bring your own lunch. Morning and afternoon tea will be provided.</p>	<p>Mana Embroiderers Guild, Tawa</p> <p>Contact managuild@gmail.com or phone Beverley on 04 478 3849</p>
<p>Sat and Sun 6-7 May</p>	<p>REGIONAL RETREAT</p> <p>Join fellow Regional Guild members for a weekend escape. Stitch all day and be inspired by the work of others.</p>	<p>Solway Park , Masterton</p> <p>Registration forms will be sent out soon.</p>

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20 May	STITCHING WORKDAY Details to follow	Upper Hutt Guild
24-25 June	Our Solstice Stitching Courses will run on Sat 24 and Sun 25 June 2023. Friday evening social stitching session to start the weekend.	Wellington Embroiderer's Guild Karori Arts and Crafts 7, Beauchamp St.

2023 Wellington Embroiderer's Guild Monthly Meetings

<u>Monthly Meeting – next meeting</u> <u>Wed 8th February</u>	2nd Wednesday of the month. Doors open 7.00pm for 7.30 start to meeting – 9.00pm Loaves and Fishes Hall, St Paul's Cathedral, Hill St.
<u>Wellington City Drop-in Stitch-in</u> Contact: Rhys Garton weg.sec@gmail.com	12pm-4pm First Saturday of the month. Wellington Museum. Ask at Reception when you arrive for directions. Tea and coffee will be available from the kitchen (which is opposite the room).
<u>Lower Hutt Drop-in Stitch-in</u> Contact: katrine@xtra.co.nz	1.00pm-4.00pm Second Saturday of the month Hutt Art Centre, cnr Huia and Myrtle Sts. Cost \$6.
<u>Johnsonville Drop-in Stitch-in</u> Contact: Lyn Duncan 021 1428915 lynpatduncan@hotmail.com	1.30pm-4.30pm Third Saturday of the month. Johnsonville Community Centre. Gold coin koha for afternoon tea. Please bring a piece of work for show and tell.
<u>Exhibition Group</u> Contact: Louise Day 04-568-8088	On the first Thursday of the month , we visit an exhibition and meet for lunch beforehand at a nearby café. An email is sent out to members the weekend before the first Thursday of the month.

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We will be starting a monthly meeting in the Eastern suburbs from March. The venue will be at Seatoun Village Hall, 22 Forres Street, Seatoun.

The meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of the month, so the first meeting will be Wednesday 1 March. The time will be 6.30pm – 9.00pm. Welsh cakes may be in order at this first meeting, being St David's Day!

As with all our meetings, non members/guests will be welcomed in the hope that they will become new members.

Bring some stitching, or come and learn something new. We'll be open to sharing expertise to learn new things. If you're stuck on something and want some help, bring that too. Otherwise let's focus on the notion of slow stitching, enjoying the process of stitch during the evening with good friends.

Committee Members

The committee of the Wellington Embroiderer's Guild is a friendly and approachable group, committed to presenting a varied programme to our members. With the aim of facilitating the popularity of embroidery and maintaining the historical and contemporary techniques used, we also welcome new members to join. Guests are welcome to attend our meetings.

Please consider joining our committee at the changeover in May. We would love to help ease a new treasurer into the role as soon as possible. Please contact Marjorie if you would like to find out more about the role. The future of the Guild depends on you!

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