



Fibres West
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Muresk, WA

MISSION AND HISTORY

Fibres West Inc is a not-for-profit association committed to nurture inspiration, skill and creativity within the contemporary textile community. Our main focus is the organisation of quality residential textile art conferences in Western Australia.

Held every few years, Fibres West events are renowned for bringing quality tuition to textile practitioners in Western Australia through workshops by outstanding Australian and international fibre art tutors who are leaders in their field. The invited tutors offer 5-day, in-depth workshops, for students who are keen to learn new skills and extend their creative practice.

Students come from far and wide to participate in Fibres West events. With a background in different textile mediums and levels of experience, they enrol for a stimulating week of high quality learning and exchange. Participants also benefit from a complementary program which includes slide presentations, a trade hall, bazaar, exhibitions, a textile garage sale, networking opportunities and more.

Since 1992, Fibres West has held eight highly successful residential events. For the first three of these events, classes were offered mainly in 1, 2, or 3-day format, with the first 5-day classes introduced in 1999. Since 2002, all classes at Fibres West events are of 5-day duration.

From 1992 until 2010, Fibres West operated as a regional forum under the auspices of The Australian Forum for Textile Arts Ltd (TAFTA), a national, not-for-profit organisation. In 2010 Fibres West became an independent Incorporated Association. **Fibres West 2017** will be the ninth residential textile conference organised by Fibres West, known since 2010 as **Fibres west Inc**.

Previous Events

Fibres West has hosted the following Australian and International tutors:

<p>2015 Christine Atkins (WA) Fiona Duthie (Canada) Philomena Hali (NT) Alison Holt (UK) Jan Irvine-Nealie (NSW) Vicki Mason (VIC) Susie McMahon (TAS) Liz Powell (NSW) Els van Baarle (Holland) Ilka White (VIC)</p>	<p>2011 Akira Blount (USA) Ruth Hadlow (West Timor) Cathy Hoffmann (VIC) Lissa Hunter (USA) Anita Larkin (NSW) Marianne Little (VIC) Liz Maidment (FRANCE) Charlene O'Brien (WA) Linda Stokes (WA)</p>
<p>2008 Artisans of Kala Raksha (INDIA) Jane Dunnewold (USA) Liz Evans (ACT) Liz Jeneid (NSW) Jacinta Leishman (VIC) Christina Newberry (WA) Nalda Searles (WA) Glen Skien (QLD) Ken Smith (TAS) Shirley Treasure (WA)</p>	<p>2005 Dorothy Caldwell (CANADA) Marilyn Davis-Moore (WA) India Flint (SA) Suzanne Gummow (SA) Susan Holmes (NZ) Prudence Mapstone (QLD) Adele Outteridge (QLD) Janet Phillips (UK) Mary Ruth Smith (USA)</p>

<p>2002 Keiko Amenomori-Schmeisser (ACT) Lucy Bromell (WA) Marie Cook (VIC) Mark Lander (NZ) Chunghie Lee (KOREA) Sue Leighton-White (WA) Glenys Mann (NSW) Pat Surace (NSW) Makiko Tada (JAPAN) Judy Wilford (NSW)</p>	<p>1999 Mahvash Ahmadi (WA) Christine Ballinger (QLD) Judy Hooworth (NSW) Carol Divall (NSW) Celia Player (NSW) Jude Skeers (VIC) Maxine Lovegrove (NZ) Katie Syme (WA) Yvonne Twining (SA)</p>
<p>1995 (2, 3, and 5-day classes) Kongthong Nanthavongdouangsy (LAOS) Norma Coon (WA) Monnie Fenner (WA) Jean Kropper (NSW) Nancy Ballesteros & Judith Pinnell (WA) Wendy Lugg (WA) Valerie Campbell-Harding (UK) Jon Crane (UK) Alvena Hall (SA) Alison Morton (VIC) Holly Nutley (WA) Lyn Waring (WA)</p>	<p>1992 (1 and 3-day classes) Solvig Baas-Becking (ACT) Norma Coon (WA) Nancy Ballesteros (WA) Marlene Page-Sorrin (WA) Mavis Fryer (WA) Jan Irvine-Nealie (NSW) Jeanne Taylor (NZ) Peg Antonio (WA) Effie Mitrofanis (NSW) Bente Sorenson (WA) Kristen Dibbs (NSW) John Allen (UK) Nalda Searles (WA) Coral Clark (WA) Moir Douropoulos (WA) Judith Shaw (WA) Jeannie Keefer-Bell (WA)</p>