SAMANTHA POPE CREATIONS Newsletter

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Essence: all that makes us what we are

An exhibition of textiles by members of Fibre Artist Network

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Last month I happily reported that I had completed

my self portrait for the FAN exhibition in August but I couldn't show it to you because I wasn't allowed. Well, now I can show you part of it as my art was chosen for the promotional material for the exhibition and a detail image of "Pyrolysis & Perfume" is on the Pepper Street web site.

On friday may 31st I attended a portrait painting workshop by Cat Leonard run by the Murray Bridge Gallery. We had to take along a head and shoulder shot in black and white. My canvas was given to me by a friend already painted, otherwise I would never have thought to paint it red with black lines. I chose a picture of myself at age 6 to paint. It was a fun process, and I will get around to finishing it but I think textiles is still my favourite medium. I might even finish it then take it off the frame to stitch into the hair.

I have been madly felting scarves for Hahndorf Academy, so far I have made 13. see the picture on page 2 Happy end of financial year....shudder.



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Workshops

Sunday 30th June Bangladeshi Quilt Embroidery with Masuma Akther 10am - 3:30pm Cost: \$150, \$125 concession (Including all materials) Masuma Akther will teach Bangladesh's 'Nakshi Kantha', a delicate embroidery using motifs based on wedding traditions, sacred symbols and the everyday stories of village life in Bangladesh. Masuma teaches a series of traditional stitches whilst discussing the cultural heritage of this tradition-steeped technique. Participants will produce A3-A4 sized embroidery using traditional imagery. bookings essential 08 8539 1420 Murray Bridge Regional Gallery.

Friday July 5th Embellisher Snapshots, day of experimentation with an needle felting machine including welding, collage, yarn painting, texturising and more. Melanns Fabrics and Sewing Centre 850 Lower North East Road Dernancourte 9.30 - 3pm www.melanns.com

Saturday July 20th Beginners Overlocker, learn how to use your overlocker to its full potential, threading, corners, rolled hem, flatlocking and more. The Stitching Circle in Mt Barker, \$85 bookings 83982150, www.thestitchingcircle.com.au
Sunday October 28th "Paper Collage Stitch" at the Embroiderers Guild in Mile End. Use artist canvas as a base for painting a background, add paper and printed napkin then stitch the layered surface. 10am - 3pm booking at www.embguildsa.org.au soon.

Events

19 July 2013 - 21 July 2013

Sewing, Stitching & Hand Craft Show
The NEW Sewing Stitching & Hand Craft Show will be an
exciting interactive event for people who love to sew, quilt,
scrapbook and make their own crafts. Plus there are lots of
great ideas, info sessions, DIY demos and expert advice.
www.aeec.com.au Adelaide show grounds.

Exhibitions

May 22 - June 30 Winter Exhibition featuring the Class Act Collective. Station Masters Art Gallery, 20 South Tce Strathalbyn. Open wed - sun 10 - 4. Ph 85364263
23 May - 30 June "Ancient Worlds"

Liz Collinge and Stephanie Eland – FAN Members
The Gawler Community Gallery (Old Railway Station Gawler
South) Hours Thursday to Sunday 10am – 4pm

August 3rd - 30th "Essence" by Fibre Artist Network, Pepper st
Arts Centre, 558 Magil rd Magil. http://www.burnside.sa.gov.au
Open Tuesday to Saturday 12 noon - 5pm.



Bangladeshi Quilt Embroidery with Masuma Akther





Freehand machine embroidery for beginners at Murray Bridge