

SAMANTHA POPE CREATIONS

NEWSLETTER

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So I bet you are all wondering where January went Huh? Me too, its the quickest month of the year right....bam, you get over the new year celebrations and its Australia Day already. So on this "I blinked and missed it" note I have actually been busy working on my wearable art pieces for SALA. I have completed the "Catching Fire" high collar capelet, which is a little bondage fetish looking, with faux leather, spikes and zips. The idea is to create a diverse range of wearable art so David, the photographer, will have lots of creative options when styling his side of the exhibition.

The current piece I am working on is called "The Gilded Cage". It will include a high lace collar covering the décolletage, under bust corset and bird cage head piece all with lots of girly lace, velvet and cup flowers, beads, crystals and embroidery. The model will wear a beautiful crushed gold metallic tissue silk dress. Then I will go on to "Millefiori" (Italian for thousand flowers) a sort of top made from interconnecting 3D silk kimono flowers with a knitted chenille beaded collar.

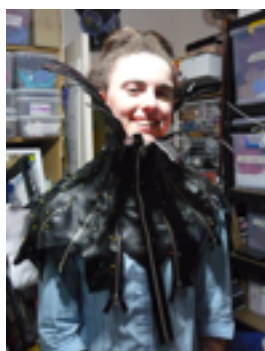
You will see I have 8 workshops booked already for this year. So if you want the full details of the workshops have a look at my blog spopecreations.blogspot.com . I have included description and pictures for them all.

The Murray Bridge Studio Gallery has an exhibition on called "your invitation is in the mail to Miss Havisham's Tea Party" it included some vintage silk and velvet outfits from my family, a wedding dress and tea party inspired sculpture. See the web site for images www.murraybridgestudiogallery.com

And I would have even more work done if not for all the fires in my area and the state!

The South Coast Choral Arts Society had a once in 50 year costume and clothing sale in Victor Harbour on Jan 31 & Feb 1 which I literally stumbled across. I bought a vintage pale gold silk evening dress for \$5, a pale gold velvet beaded dress for \$5 and some other dresses for fabric. It was like a candy store with out the calories.

See you at the FAN meeting, Samantha



Catching Fire



Millefiori flowers



Gilded Cage collar



Millefiori collar



costume & clothing sale

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WORKSHOPS: [for full workshop outlines goto spopecreations.blogspot](http://spopecreations.blogspot)

February 21st Embellished Art Quilt. **DATE CHANGE** Melanns Fabric's & Sewing Centre, Dernancourte. 9.30 - 3pm, \$85 including kit. It's a small art quilt with silk background needle felted texture, net and yarn flowers, silk leaves and embroidery. It's made up of a variety of embellisher elements. It has bobbin work embroidery & braids made from silk fibres. www.melanns.com.au for bookings, sample right.

March 22nd Overlocking for beginners this workshop is for anyone with an overlocker who doesn't get the most use from it because of threading and tension issues. Murray Bridge Studio Gallery, 8 Railway tce Murray Bridge. 10am - 4pm \$50 including notes and use of some decorative threads.

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April 6th Freehand Machine embroidery used for thread painting, monogramming, decorative bobbin work embroidery and quilting. You only need a basic sewing machine. Murray Bridge Studio Gallery, 8 Railway tce Murray Bridge. 10am - 4pm \$50 including notes and use of some decorative threads. www.murraybridgestudiogallery.com 08 8532 5452

May 24th Needle Felting create a small project or vest front cut from wool fabric using needle felting techniques. Appliqué of dyed wool tops, couching and silk cord making & decorative relief flowers made from fibre and net.

9:30 - 3:30, Jennys Sewing Centre bookings at <http://www.jennyssewingcentre.websyte.com.au> 64 Murray Street Angaston, South Australia 08 8564 2269

May 25th Zapped Beads manipulating fabric, plastics & man made materials with heat. Some surfaces will be decorated with paint before rolling into beads for zapping. Murray Bridge Studio Gallery, 8 Railway tce Murray Bridge. 10am - 3pm \$50 including notes, Kit available. www.murraybridgestudiogallery.com 08 8532 5452

June 14th Machine Needle Felted Scarf My most popular workshop for people with a needle felting machine. Merino wool scarf embellished with dyed wool tops and freehand machine embroidery. If you are interested in buying a needle felting machine but want to have a go first, I have two machine that can be hired for the class. Murray Bridge Studio Gallery, 8 Railway tce Murray Bridge. 10am - 4pm \$88 including notes and kit. www.murraybridgestudiogallery.com

September 13th Bra Art fun with bras. A bra can be made into a fun decorated purse, art wall hanging or element for embellishing other art works. This class will include heat manipulation of synthetics and machine stitching techniques. Jennys Sewing Centre bookings at <http://www.jennyssewingcentre.websyte.com.au> 64 Murray Street Angaston, South Australia 08 8564 2269

October 18th & 19th Sat/Sun Backgrounds and Beyond This 2 day workshop will introduce you to a variety of synthetic man made mediums that will be painted and printed, heat distorted and stitched over the two days. Murray Bridge Studio Gallery, 8 Railway tce Murray Bridge. 10am - 4pm \$140 including notes, kit and use of mediums & tools. www.murraybridgestudiogallery.com 08 8532 5452

EXHIBITIONS

27 Feb – 16 March Handspinners and Weavers Guild of South Australia Fringe Exhibition, open to the public on Wed, Thurs, Sat & Sun. All members can participate. Little Glory Gallery is the venue 196 South Road, Mile End SA.

EVENTS

February 10th Fibre Artist Network 7pm start. FAN (fibre Artist network) Meetings are usually held at Marden Senior College, Marden Road, Marden (Adelaide) in the Art Room, 6:30pm open; 7pm start. Cost of \$3 per person. Plenty of parking available.

