



Wollongong's Community & Arts Festival • Saturday 7 November 2009

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Instructions for Guerilla Knitting Project

Donations of Knitting

Guerrilla Knitting is the 'graffiti' of the knitting world. Guerilla Knitters love to cover outdoor objects to make our world a more colourful and cosy place. Viva is working with Sydney artist Denise Litchfield to create a series of guerrilla knitting installations all over the CBD during November and we would like you to help by donating pieces of knitting for Denise's installations.

Step 1: Choose and Knit! Decide if you want to contribute to the Recycled Street Light poles or the Knit Tree at the Festival or both. You can start knitting/crocheting straight away by following the instructions on the next page.

Step 2: Attach a tag. Attach swing tags to your finished pieces for easy identification showing your name or group. These could be old fashioned cardboard luggage tags - you can get them from newsagents or stationary shops for about 25 cents.

Step 3: Delivery. Drop pieces off at Cultural Services 81- 83 Burelli St with your contact details (including email address if you have one) in the drop box provided by Tuesday 27 October. Or you can post them to:

Guerilla Knitting Project Donations
Attention: Cultural Services
Wollongong City Council
Locked Bag 8821
Wollongong
NSW 2500

Step 4: Come to the Festival. If you would like to see your work on display visit Viva La Gong Saturday 7 November 2007 McCabe Park and/or take a stroll past the street light poles on Burelli St near the corner of Auburn St.

For the Knit Tree at Viva La Gong

The theme is festival colours – pink, purple, yellow, orange, lime green, aqua or bright blues.

The trunk:

Here is where you can showcase your knitting/crochet skill. The trunk is large and fat, so it has to stretch around 99 cms. That means your piece has to be shorter than that to fit snugly around the trunk like a t shirt or jumper.

Make it no less than 25 - 30 cms wide.

Branches:

Strips of knitting/crochet that measure 70 cms or longer for the branches.

Each piece needs to be a minimum of 25 - 30 cms wide. Most likely these strips will look like scarves.

Any yarn /medium, however the fluffy acrylic yarn is difficult to work with and is not recommended.

Exact measurements depend on individual tension, pattern and yarn.

Also welcome are pom poms, crochet flowers, animals, leaves, other adornments.

If you have any questions please call Francesca on 4251 4712 or email fcathie@wollongong.nsw.gov.au



For the Recycled Street Light Pole

The theme for these Poles is recycling. Here is a chance to put those colourful plastic bags to use. For instructions on how to turn a plastic bag into yarn go here:

<http://www.wikihow.com/Prepare-Plastic-Bags-for-Knitting-or-Crochet>

<http://cocoknits.com/info/tutorials/plasticbagknit.html>

Size:

Strips of knitting/ crochet that measure a MAXIMUM of 77 to 84 cms STRETCHED.

This means your bit has to be shorter than that to allow for stretch. We don't want it to flop on the pole, so measure measure measure!

Make your contribution at least 25 - 30 cms wide, so everyone gets a bit of the pole.

It can be any color you like, and using one block of color can look very effective from a distance, so save your bags according to color. Start asking friends to save theirs now.