

History Skirt WORKSHOP



Upcycle reject clothes from your wardrobe into a History Skirt - a skirt with a story to tell about who made it and where it came from.

Overview

Textile Beat is a social enterprise inspiring creative upcycling of natural fibres, fabrics and found stuff. It was established in Brisbane, Australia in 2013 to tap into potential opportunities to repurpose existing natural fibre garments for pleasure, reward and sustainability. In 2014, Textile Beat's Jane Milburn launched the 365-day Sew it Again campaign www.sewitagain.com which includes History Skirts *above*.

Our wardrobes are bulging and there's an endless flow of fast-fashion that is cheaper, brighter and trendier. To respect Earth's limited natural resources for ecological health and wellbeing, Textile Beat encourages you to slow it down, take stock, and re sew what you already have instead of buying new.

Benefits of upcycling

- Learn skills of home-sewing and resewing
- Feel empowered by having clothing choices
- See how to adapt clothes to suit your shape
- Gain affordable clothing options
- Discover your creativity and unique style
- Be productive and improve wellbeing
- Value natural fibres and textures
- Share, care and see recycling at work
- Reduce textile waste

Date 14-15 June 2014

Time 9am - 4pm both days

Cost Adults - \$55
BAC members - \$50
Students - \$45
Paid to Biloela Arts Council
Commonwealth Bank
BSB 064701 A/c 00900309
or PO Box 21, Biloela 4715

Details

Bring along four or five reject garments of similar fabric weight and colours that you like together. If you specifically want to make a wool History Skirt, bring four or five old jumpers. Stains, holes and irregularities are no problem.

If you have a sewing machine, please bring it with threads, scissors, a length of stretch knit suitable for the waistband and some elastic. You will be provided with a gored-skirt pattern, creative inspiration and a multitude of ideas for clothing makeovers.

BYO lunch (tea, coffee supplied).

Venue: Banana Shire Community Arts House, Biloela (opp tennis courts)

Bookings

Contact: Fay Neale
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Book early, places are limited



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