

THE OTWAY FOOD & FIBRE SHOWCASE

Otway Food and Fibre Workshops

Stage 1 (North end of Commerce Pavilion)

Natural Fibre Expo: Follow the Thread from Grass to Garment

Where do our clothes come from? Find out how plants and animals support us with something we use every minute of every day. Listen to talks and interviews with people involved in the textile industry from grass to garment. Watch demonstrations including shearing, woolclassing, spinning, knitting and dyeing. Market stalls. Social Stitching - bring a craft project and pass on the skills.

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| 10:30am | Shearing and Fleece Skirting Demonstration |
| 10:45am | Lauris Jephcott – Knitalpaca – <i>Otway Alpaca 101 – Get to Know Alpacas.</i> |
| 11:15am | Skills on Show – Natural Dyeing with Walnut Husks |
| 11:30am | Greg & Sam Potter – Fairview Polwarths – <i>Growing Wool in the Otways</i> |
| 12:00pm | Stuart Macpherson – South West TAFE – <i>A Professional's Guide to Woolclassing and Beyond.</i> |
| 12:30pm | Shearing and Fleece Skirting Demonstration |
| 12:45pm | Michelle Casanova – Slow Merino – <i>Farming for the Slow Fashion Movement.</i> |
| 1:15pm | Nick Renters – Great Ocean Road Woollen Mill – <i>Processing Fibre into Yarn</i> |
| 1:45pm | Nicki Colls & Rachel Bucknall – Fibreshed Melbourne – <i>Interactive Discussion: Clothing Catchments</i> |
| 2:00pm | Shearing and Fleece Skirting Demonstration |
| 2:15pm | Karen Pior – Woolgathering Australia – <i>The Resurgence of Woolcraft</i> |