



Press Release

Craft it Yourself!

A fun programme of crafty events to satisfy your crafty urges this summer!

Cost: All Craft it Yourself workshops cost £20 (including materials and complimentary wine) Book online!

<http://craftcentralbookings.org.uk/programme/public-events>

Venue: Craft Central, 33-35 St John's Square, London EC1M 4DS



Emily Jo Gibbs



Katherine Elizabeth's Hat Party CIY



Summer bunting!



Michelle Mason's 'Pimp Your Ikea' CIY



Katherine Elizabeth

We want Londoners to discover the relevance (and fun) of craft and design! Our enjoyable programme of **Craft It Yourself** workshops offers the chance for anyone to take part in craft.

Whether you're already an expert, or fancy trying something new, come and satisfy your crafty urges at the CIY workshops led by designers. From appliqué and bunting, to millinery and handbag making, this is an informal opportunity to learn from the experts have a bit of 'making' fun! **No experience required!**

Join us this summer for the following workshops...

Craft It Yourself: Make a Handbag with Emily Jo Gibbs

Tues 11 May 6pm

Join maker Emily Jo Gibbs to create your own soft cotton bag with vintage liberty print appliqué decoration. Emily will demonstrate some of the different techniques she uses in her work, including forming spheres.

Cost £20 (Including materials and complimentary wine)

Craft it Yourself: Pimp Your Wardrobe – Appliqué! with Emily Jo Gibbs

Tues 8 June 6pm

Bored with the same old clothes? Freshen up your wardrobe this summer! Learn appliqué skills with Emily and re-vamp an existing garment with fabric, ribbons and buttons galore.

Cost £20 (Including materials and complimentary wine)

Please bring along a garment from your wardrobe that needs re-inventing!

Craft It Yourself: Hat Party! Make a Fascinator with Katherine Elizabeth

Mon 14 June 6pm

Design your own fantastic fascinator with award winning milliner Katherine Elizabeth. Having worked for star milliner Stephen Jones and made hats for Dita von Teese, now Katherine will share her hat-making secrets with us all.

Cost £20 (Including materials and complimentary wine)

Craft it Yourself: Highly Strung! Bunting for your summer parties with Emily Jo Gibbs

Tues 29 June 6pm

Brighten up your parties/barbeques/weddings/weekends – there's always an excuse for bunting! Emily will help you select your fabrics from a wide selection of gorgeous prints and colours, and fashion them into beautiful bunting, perfect for any garden or home this summer.

Cost £20 (Including materials and complimentary wine)

Notes to the Editor...

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Craft Central's dynamic Network connects 500 UK designer-makers, helping them to discover valuable opportunities and benefit from really practical and well thought-out services and resources. Craft Central takes time to understand makers and encourages them to develop groundbreaking new work. Alongside this support, Craft Central promotes cutting edge craft and design to the public through an exciting programme of innovative exhibitions and events.

Special Services for Industry and Press...

Media and buyers industry are invited to use Craft Central as a resource. Craft Central's current Network includes a portfolio of 500 cutting edge designers producing work in a vast array of disciplines (including; fashion, textiles, accessories, jewellery and interior products). Craft Central can help you source new products, maker's profiles, accessories for shoots, news stories and more.

In order to bring talented designers and trade professionals together Craft Central offers a range of special service for industry and press visitors:

Designer Introductions... Bringing talented designers and trade professionals together.

To maximise your time, Craft Central can arrange a day of meetings providing the chance to view and discuss work by designers selected to match your requirements. International buyers already utilise this service and find it an essential tool when sourcing new products. These meetings take place at Craft Centrals offices in London EC1M. View a selection of Craft Central designers in the online Designer Maker Gallery and just let us know if you would like to organize an appointment!

www.craftcentral.org.uk/designermakergallery

Keeping you in touch... Keep up to date with the hottest design talent!

Throughout the year Craft Central organises an exciting programme of exhibitions and events to promote new work by contemporary designers. Press releases are circulated regularly, but if you have a specific request please get in touch!

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