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# Announcement

Wishing you all a Happy New Year!

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Image credit: Noelene's Christmas Lace Collection Dear Members,

Welcome to the 24th edition of isoLACE, the ALG NSW Branch's coronavirus update.

We hope that you had a wonderful Christmas and wish you and your families a happy New Year! Here's hoping you will make the most of 2022 and of course lots of lacemaking.

Lacemaking at the Powerhouse Museum will start again in 2022. The Powerhouse Museum is offering free entry to the museum; proof of vaccination required and wearing a mask is compulsory. Lacemaking is demonstrated daily 10am to 1pm, resuming in 2022 from Saturday 8th January, on Level 4 in the Textiles Centre. Social lace days and lace workshops will resume when a venue becomes available.

We would like to highlight that the Agricultural shows in 2022 dates are: Kiama 21-22 January Canberra 25-27 February RAS (Easter show Sydney) 8-19 April Hawkesbury show 6-8 May Dubbo 22-29 May We encourage you to consider entering your lace.

We continue to field calls from people interested in starting lace in their local area. As events unfold, keep an eye on the NSW Guild website and the NSW Guild Facebook page.

While some Lace Groups, such as Queanbeyan and Cooma, continue to meet regularly online using Skype, lace makers continue to maintain contact through social media: NSW Branch Facebook Group, TikTok and Instagram. Queanbeyan Lace meetings have restarted for fully vaccinated members. Please contact if you would like to join in on Skype or the in-person meetings <a href="mailto:qbnlacemakers@gmail.com">qbnlacemakers@gmail.com</a>.

Heartfelt thanks to all those contributing work to isoLACE. If you are making lace, we'd love to hear from you. Send photos of your work-in-progress or finished lace (along with details of threads, dimensions, and the lace designer, where possible) or your lace making gear or lace setup at home or lace book reviews. We encourage you to email us laceguildnsw@gmail.com.

Since the December AGM we have filled several committee members and we are so happy to have them on-board. However, we are still in need of a Demonstration Co-Ordinator - please volunteer if possible. These roles need to be filled to keep the NSW branch running.

**NSW Branch Committee** 



## Calendar of Event | Linwood Lace Days 2022



6 February 2022 | Lace Day and Russian Lace Class

#### Russian Lace Class

#### By Anna Binnie

I am planning to teach the two types of Russian gimps using a simple bell shape.

Previous assumed student knowledge is as follows: Cloth stitch, footsides, sewings, and working curves.

The students will need to be using linen 40/2 or Moravia linen or similar weight thread. For the gimps you will need Perl 5 cotton or similar, the full 6 strands of DMC metallic thread work well too.

Details of number of bobbins and pricking will follow.

The bells on the right-hand side use Perl 5 gimps, bells on the left-hand side use 6 strands of DMC metallic thread, while the bell in the middle uses two different colours of metallic gimp.

If you are interested in attending this workshop, please could you email <a href="mailto:laceguildnsw@gmail.com">laceguildnsw@gmail.com</a> so we can get an idea on numbers.



## Doily Free Zone

#DFZ2022 will present the work of 14 makers representing 12 countries who are creating extraordinary work using: Bobbin lace, Crochet, Tatting, Carrickmacross, Macramé, Ñandutí, Lace Knitting, Sprang, Oya, Lacis, Tulle Embroidery and Chainmaille.

Currently, there is an early bird registration discount.

Visit the website for more information: https://www.doilyfreezone.net/



### Christmas Lace Collection

By Noelene

For the last few years, I have been swapping Christmas cards with some other lacemakers, decorated with a small piece of lace. This year, having no Christmas tree to hang them on, I made a wall hanging of my collection of these pieces, pinned to a strip of green fabric.

Please refer to the front cover of isoLACE for the image.

#### Christmas Baubles

Stefanie made some gorgeous baubles shown below.





### NSW Embroiderers' Guild Whitework Display

#### By Lisa Halden

My latest contemporary project that was inspired by abstract artists and I used techniques like reticella, Carrickmacross Lace and needle lace. I explored ways in using these techniques in combination with millinery techniques and created a fascinator. You will also see interesting Whitework techniques that have been contemporised in wall hangings and 3D artworks. The display is currently available until the end of January.

Location: 76 Queen Street, Concord West NSW 2138

Please check the website for opening hours (especially if you're planning to visit during the holidays). https://www.embroiderersguildnsw.org.au/ContactUs.html





### Spaces Make Lace



## What's up?

Please refer to the website for the What's up segment: <a href="http://www.lacemaking.com.au/whats-up--important-links.html">http://www.lacemaking.com.au/whats-up--important-links.html</a>

