



CALLING ALL STITCHERS

A CELEBRATION OF YOUR NEEDLEWORK

The biennial “Stitch Your Heart Out” needlework challenge is open to **ANY SKILL LEVEL, ANY TECHNIQUE, USING ANY MATERIALS** and you don't need to attend Beating Around the Bush to enter – it's for everyone!

IF IT'S STITCHED, IT CAN WIN

Whether it's your own design or someone else's, this is a needlework challenge for every stitcher and their needle. New or existing projects, there is a category just right for you:



Some of the amazing winning entries from 2018

DESIGN DIVAS YOUR DESIGN

If the creative bug has bitten and you love designing your own embroidery, enter your piece in the Design Diva category with a project that is entirely your original design. Groups within this category include:

DESIGN DIVAS
Surface Embroidery

DESIGN DIVAS
Raised Embroidery

DESIGN DIVAS
Counted / Cut / Drawn Thread

STITCHING UP A STORM EXISTING DESIGNS

Do you love to stitch other people's designs? Here, we are looking for excellence in stitching and technique, rather than design. Groups within this category include: (remember to credit the designer)

STITCHING UP A STORM
Surface Embroidery

STITCHING UP A STORM
Raised Embroidery

STITCHING UP A STORM
Counted / Cut / Drawn Thread

SYHO 2020 CHALLENGE TO BEE OR NOT TO BEE

The theme for the 2020 Stitch Your Heart Out Challenge is 'To Bee or not to Bee'. At a time when we're facing a worldwide shortage of bees, let's use our needle and threads to celebrate these very important insects! Your design can use any technique, consist of any material and be as big or small as you like, as long as the hero element celebrates the humble bee.

Remember to include a label on the back that names the technique/s you've used.

PRIZES



GRAND PRIZE

A full set of magnificent Au Ver à Soie, Soie d'Alger silk threads valued at over **AU\$4,500** will be awarded to the overall winner.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD PRIZE

A complete range of 6ply stranded silk Stars from Gumnut Yarns valued at **AU\$1,600**.



CATEGORY PRIZES

Generous prizes will be awarded to the winners of each category.

ENTRY DETAILS

ENTRY FEE - AU\$20 PER PROJECT. Please complete a separate entry form for each project entered.

When preparing your project for entry, please keep a record of the types, colours and amounts of fabrics, threads and needles you used along with the techniques and any relevant construction notes. This information may be required should your project be selected for publication.

FIRST NAME		LAST NAME	
STREET ADDRESS / PO BOX NO			TOWN/SUBURB
STATE		ZIP/POSTCODE	COUNTRY
PHONE		EMAIL	

CATEGORY ☒ () DESIGN DIVA () STITCHING UP A STORM () TO BEE OR TO BEE CHALLENGE
 TECHNIQUE ☒ () SURFACE EMBROIDERY () RAISED EMBROIDERY () COUNTED / CUT / DRAWN THREAD

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY

RETURN OF YOUR PROJECT

Entries can either be collected from the Beating Around the Bush convention, or returned via post.
 If applicable, please select the appropriate postage fee from the following rates based on the weight of your entry.

Australia	Overseas	ENTRY FEE	AU\$20.00
Under 500g: AU\$15.00	Under 500g: AU\$30.00	RETURN POSTAGE:	AU\$.....
500g to 3kg: AU\$20.00	500g to 1kg: AU\$40.00		
3kg to 5kg: AU\$25.00	1kg to 1.5kg: AU\$55.00	TOTAL:	AU\$.....
	Over 1.5kg: AU\$70.00		

() I enclose a cheque or money order in Australian Dollars payable to 'Inspirations Studios'

() Please debit my VISA / Mastercard

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EXPIRY DATE	CCV NO.	CARD HOLDER'S NAME
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() I confirm that I have read and accept the terms and conditions of entry.

SIGNATURE

SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY

Please post your completed form with your AU\$20 non-refundable registration fee per entry, including return postage if required to:

Inspirations Studios
 'Stitch Your Heart Out'
 P.O. Box 10177
 Adelaide Business Hub
 SA Australia 5000

Entries sent by post must be received no later than **11th September 2020**. All other entries must be delivered to the Beating Around the Bush convention no later than **4pm on Wednesday 30th September 2020**.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. You may submit as many entries as you wish, supplying a separate form per entry.
2. Entry fee is AU\$20 per entry (non-refundable).
3. All entries in Design Divas must be entirely your original work and must not have been previously published.
4. The use of basic published garment patterns is permitted. Credit for the pattern must be noted on the entry.
5. Items must be clean and appropriate hanging devices should be fixed to the back of the work if required, ensuring the work is ready to hang.
6. Entries and packaging should be clearly labelled with your name and address.
7. Permission is granted for Inspirations Studios to photograph entries for print and/or digital publication.
8. Judging will be conducted by a panel of judges nominated by Inspirations Studios.
9. Winners will be announced at the Beating Around the Bush Gala Dinner, 7th October 2020 as well as published in Inspirations and All Stitched Up!
10. Every care will be taken with entries, however no responsibility will be accepted for any loss or damage.
11. If entries are to be returned and are not collected at BATB 2020, a return postage and handling fee must be included with the entry fee. Any entries submitted without return postage that remain uncollected as of 8th October 2020 will be donated to charity.