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Morning All

What a fantastic day we had at the Wanaka Friendship day in Luggate to welcome Spring. Thanks to everyone that came along and supported the event. The Guest speaker was very interesting. Rachel Linton lives in Hawea and is the only UK trained Gilder practising in NZ. She has worked on so many things like the iconic Cutty Sark in London, the Queens Robe room at Westminster Palace, Hindu Temples, life sized sculptures as well as kitchen splash backs and picture frames. Best of all is she is now holding 2 day intensive workshops at her studio which I'm sure is going to appeal to many. Have a look at her website here <https://tiliagilding.com/>

Along with this, Rachel worked alongside her father to recreate the Bayeaux Tapestry using 3 million tiny metal cogs off knitting machines. At 64m long and weighing 500kg and

taking 25 years to complete, it has Guinness World Record status. It is currently on display by appointment at Peel Forest near Geraldine. Contact Rachel via her website to organise to view this but in the meantime here is an article with great pictures.

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/national/programmes/ninetoon/audio/201794199/geraldine's-marvellous-medieval-mosaic>

The profits from the Wanaka Friendship day have been donated to the Regional Account. Thank you so very much for this large donation, very much appreciated.

I spent a lovely day recently in Ranfurly at the combined Maniototo and East Otago get together. You were all very inspiring and are doing some stunning pieces.

A couple of weeks after this I spent the day with the Fiordland Guild in Te Anau. Again some stunning work and an equally inspiring group of ladies. Thanks so much for having me and I'll be back! They are hoping to have an Exhibition at Labour Weekend so once I have a few more details I'll let you know.

Extensions National Exhibition titled 'Landscapes of Desire' opens at the Forrester Gallery, 9 Thames St, Oamaru on the 3rd October to 16th November. Lets all plan a trip to go and have a look and show our support for the Extensions Group.

Do check the ANZEG Calendar for Gallery opening times (I think it's closed on Mondays).

The Colour Blue Exhibition is now on in Wellington and winners have been announced. The good news is that the

Exhibition will be heading south! From October 18-November 9 it will be at Aigantighe Gallery, 49 Wai-iti Rd, Timaru. If you have the time it will be well worth going to see. And if your visit to Timaru is on the 8th November, Aoraki Guild are having a Friendship day.....Again check the ANZEG Calendar for details.

Otago Guild are having their “Spring Fling” on 11th October. Here’s hoping the weather doesn’t wash this one out. It is always a great day and sadly I can’t make it this year.

A big thank you to all the Guilds who have paid their Regional Capitation Invoices. Your financial support of the Regional Rep role is greatly appreciated.

Here’s a small sample of what I’ve seen lately that I’ve been inspired by –







Until next month – I don't know the secret to happiness. But I can say I've never been sad in an Embroidery Shop

Dates to Remember

2025

11 October Otago Guild Spring Fling

25-27 October Fiordland Guild Exhibition Manapouri

2026

31 January South Otago Friendship Day Balclutha

27-29 March Great Escape Orewa

4-9 July ANZEG Conference Palmerston North

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