



Special Announcement

1964 — 2024



As one year ends and another begins, I'm delighted to announce that 2024 is Australian Design Centre's 60th birthday!

Here we share with you some of the highlights of our upcoming 2024 creative program. And we have so much more to be revealed when the fireworks are over and we return after the break.

This year is dedicated to the thousands of creative people who have worked with us and supported us in all sorts of ways over the decades. Some are no longer with us but their creative sparks continue to inspire us and drive us to make, design, curate, write and talk about Australia's incredible creative industries.

Whether you were instrumental in forming the Crafts Council 60 years ago or you remember visiting The Rocks, Customs House, St Margarets or William Street,

or you loved receiving your monthly *Object Magazine*, visiting the Collect Store or Object Shop, catching an exhibition on tour or you recall our 50th celebration when the fire brigade stopped proceedings and the queue snaked around the block, it'll be a year to reflect on those memories but also to imagine your future with Australian Design Centre in it. We welcome everyone to connect or reconnect with us during this year of celebrations.

We're having a big party on 16 May! Save the date and register your interest [here](#).

See you in 2024 to celebrate Australia's significant craft and design culture and our most innovative and exciting designer makers .

Lisa Cahill

CEO and Artistic Director

Major Exhibitions



FROM FEBRUARY

An exciting creative program for 2024

In 2024 we will be celebrating our 60th year (1964–2024).

We'll celebrate with a plethora of exciting exhibitions and events showcasing the very best in creative practice.

See our latest new story for some of the highlights to come!

SEE WHAT'S ON

Festivals and Events



OCTOBER

Sydney Craft Week Festival

The Sydney Craft Week Festival is a city-wide festival of making held each year in October that presents the latest in contemporary craft as well as offering opportunities for craft lovers to learn new skills in workshops and buy from local artists. This will be the eighth annual festival supported by The City of Sydney and Create NSW.

SAVE THE DATE

11—20 October 2024

Australian Design Centre

SIGN UP FOR UPDATES

Touring Exhibitions



NATIONAL

ADC On Tour

ADC On Tour gives national and regional audiences an opportunity, to not only see contemporary craft and design, but also participate in programs that encourage hands-on activity.

In 2024, *SIXTY* and *MAKE Award* continue to tour across Australia.

LEARN MORE

Make an impact



You are all part of the Australian craft and design story

Australian Design Centre's purpose is to support and promote craft and design practice and demonstrate how we can all incorporate creativity into everyday life.

With your support, we can continue to do this work with confidence — knowing that, like us, you believe in the power of creativity and design to enrich our lives.

All donations make a difference.

MAKE A DONATION

Shop handmade



Support and shop Australian made

Featuring limited-edition and collectible ceramics, jewellery, homewares, and textiles from over 100 Australian makers and designers, Object Shop is Australian Design Centre's retail store.

OBJECT SHOP

Love what we do?

There are many ways that you can help us to support a creative Australia.

- [Donate](#) to make an impact!
- [Buy unique handmade](#)

Follow us on socials for updates:

Acknowledgement of Country

Australian Design Centre is proud to be a creative place located on Gadigal Country.

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Traditional Owners, the Gadigal People, and to Elders past and present.

As an arts organisation with national connections, we also pay our respects to all First Peoples across the country.

We recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture as the oldest continuing culture in the world. We celebrate the diversity of language, culture, custom, ceremony and knowledge (Lore) of First Peoples as Traditional Owners, custodians and communities with an ongoing connection across land, sea and waterways.

We acknowledge that the lands on which we live and work are unceded – always was, always will be, Aboriginal Land.

About Australian Design Centre

Established in 1964, Australian Design Centre is an independent impact organisation based in Sydney. We create opportunities for people to engage with design, craft and creativity through dynamic and high-quality national touring exhibitions, publishing, digital and educational activities.

We ignite creativity and innovative ideas through:

Exhibitions – Showcasing the best making and design by Australian creators.

Touring – Bringing the power of making and design to new audiences across Australia.

Learning – Inspiring Australians to use design to transform their future.

Australian Design Centre is supported by the generosity of our partners and donors, the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy, an initiative of the Australian, State and Territory Governments, the New South Wales Government through Create NSW, the Australian Government through the Australia Council, its arts funding and advisory body, and the City of Sydney.

Australian Design Centre is a member of Australian Craft and Design Centres network, Australian Museum and Galleries Association, Arts Law, NAVA, Regional and Public Galleries NSW and the Sydney Culture Network.

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Tina Fox, What's Become of Me, photo: Courtesy of the artist.

Sydney Craft Week 2023, photo: Amy Piddington.

SIXTY, exhibition view, JamFactory, photo: Connor Patterson.

MAKE Award, exhibition view, Australian Design Centre, photo: Amy Piddington.

Object Shop, Australian Design Centre, photo: Amy Piddington.

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