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Message from the CEO

Well that crept up on us! Welcome to our final e-news for the year.

This week we launched what I think is our best program yet – the [2020 Creative Program](#). We're excited to be working with over **700** creative practitioners across all of our programs next year both here in Sydney and around the country with our [ADC On Tour](#) partners. Check it out [here](#) and watch this space for more details of openings and events.

Thank you all for the support you have given us this year. A snapshot of our achievements in 2019 demonstrates the reach, capacity and impact your support has generated.

- **17** exhibitions and **97** events in Sydney
- **1** annual festival - Sydney Craft Week
- **225,592** people participated in our activities in Sydney
- **5** ADC On Tour national touring exhibitions opening in **12** venues
- **70,927** people saw an ADC on Tour exhibition.
- We worked with **1,023** artists across all our activities

- **229** artists were included in exhibitions
- **115** makers were represented in Object Shop
- **72** artists took part in our twice yearly makers markets
- **764,460** interactions across our digital and social media platforms

A huge year but it's not over yet! Join us tonight for our annual [Christmas Shopping](#) event between 5 and 8pm and as our gift to you for one night only spend over \$100 and we'll give you a 10% discount ([ADC Friends](#) get 15%).

Wishing you and your families and friends a very happy festive season and safe holidays.

Lisa Cahill
CEO and Artistic Director

Exhibitions and Events



TONIGHT - Christmas Shopping Night

Join Object Shop makers and special guests for a relaxed Christmas Shopping evening tonight 4 December from 5pm.

Discover handmade, designed and collectible gifts made by over 100 leading local and emerging craftspeople, 10% off if you spend over \$100 plus free gifts wrapping

and a complimentary beverage. (ADC Friends receive 15% discount)

When: Wednesday 4 December 5 - 8pm

[Find out more](#)



Designing Bright Futures

This exhibition presents exciting new work by emerging design practitioners from UNSW Art & Design. Congratulations for Yanting Zhan winning the Australian Design Centre Mentorship Award.

View the opening night photo album [here](#).

When: Until 22 January 2020

[Find out more](#)



Clay Intersections

Back by popular demand, [Clay Intersections](#) presents the work of eight ceramicists and their innovative approaches to working with clay.

This ADC On Tour exhibition goes to Port Macquarie in early 2020.

When: Until 8 January 2020

[Find out more](#)



Creative Program 2020

In 2020, we will present **17** exhibitions and over **100** events in our three gallery spaces, **12** ADC On

Tour openings around the country and **200+** citywide events for Sydney Craft Week.

[Find out more](#)

Projects and Events



Seed Stitch Contemporary Textile Awards

Seed Stitch Contemporary Textile Awards returns in 2020. This award is an open call-out to contemporary artists working with textiles across many genres. The exhibition will feature the outstanding shortlisted works of contemporary NSW textile artists in partnership with the [Seed Stitch Collective](#).

Opens for entries in March 2020.

[Find out more](#)



WORKSHOPPED20

WORKSHOPPED20 is an annual exhibition of new work by object, lighting and furniture designers. 2020 marks the 20th anniversary of this award based program.

Entries: Open 10 February until 8 May

Exhibition: 6 August – 30 September 2020

[Find out more](#)

Sector News



Indigenous designers work acquired by Powerhouse Museum

Congratulations to Lucy Simpson and Nicole Monks on their work acquired by the Powerhouse Museum for the state collection and currently on display as part of the *Linear* exhibition launched last week. These works were created in 2016 as part of a Create NSW mentorship project facilitated by Australian Design Centre and exhibited at the end of the mentorship in our 2016 exhibition [*Indigenous Design*](#).

An exceptional outcome for the designers, the collection and for the initial project.

“Knowledge, understanding, relationships and storytelling are interconnected within Aboriginal design and material culture. The object is the connection between deep spirituality and practical functionality. To appreciate the object, we must acknowledge the culturally embedded principles from which it has been created and its inner essence and spirit - dhuwi.” - Lucy Simpson

[Find out more](#)

Object Platform



Object Platform is a place that exists in the digital sphere to experiment, prototype new thinking, spark physical provocations and commission new content. Enjoy a range of articles, videos and interviews.

[Find out more](#)



ADC On Tour exhibitions now on across Australia:

[Obsessed: Compelled to make](#) opens at the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre on 7 December 2019. Join a [Panel discussion](#) on Saturday 14 December, 11am –

12pm with Lisa Cahill, Stephen Goddard and Honor Freeman.

[Living Treasures: Masters of Australian Craft \ Prue Venables](#) opens at Hamilton Gallery on 12 December 2019. Attend the [artist floor talk](#) with Prue Venables on Friday 13 December 2.30 - 3.30pm.

[Clay Intersections](#) opens at Glasshouse Port Macquarie on 17 January 2020.

[Find out more](#)

Object Shop



Christmas at Object Shop

Our makers have produced an exceptional array of work for the Christmas season. Collectable, unique, handmade gift ideas are walking out the door.

Please join us TONIGHT for our annual [Christmas Shopping Night](#) between 5 - 8pm. Take your time to browse and enjoy a beverage. ADC Friends receive an extra discount for this one night only.

Extending our opening hours leading up to Christmas pop in Monday to Saturday 11am - 4pm and Thursday we are open until 6pm.

New stock: [Gill Brooks](#) felted objects, [Milly Dent](#) ceramics, [Tara Lofhelm](#) jewellery, [Emily Copp](#) jewellery, [The Raconteur](#) candles, [Woodfolk](#) ceramics and jewellery, [Love and West](#) vintage linen tea-towel bags and cushions, [Rina Bernabei](#) ceramics...plus lots more

Gift wrapping is available by donation. [Shop online](#) with standard delivery \$10 (Australia Post) to most destinations within Australia. Last online orders taken until Monday 16 December to ensure you receive your purchase before Christmas Day.

[Find out more](#)

Social



Thanks to everyone joining our community on [Instagram](#). We love interacting with you, so please tag us when you come into the Centre AND if you like what we do, please give our [Facebook page](#) a review.

On Facebook popular stories include [Melbourne Shakespeare costume designers using recycled](#)

[materials.](#)

Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) to find out more about exhibitions, events, workshops and opportunities.

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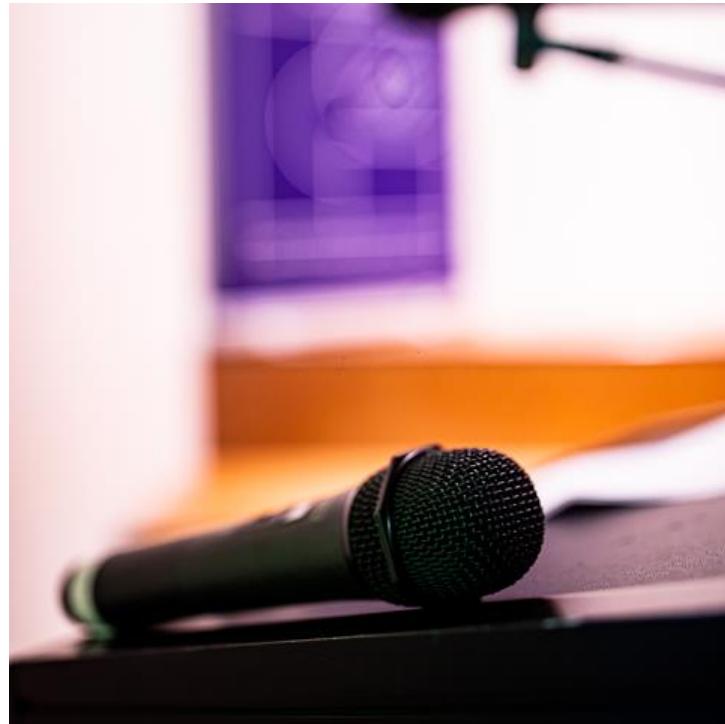
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ADC provides a place for designers and makers to test and explore their creative ideas, interact with audiences, celebrate their discoveries, question how we want our lives to be and educate the next generation through our acclaimed Design Emergency program.

With your help we can continue to inspire, inform and engage people with the power of creativity.

Thank you to all those who have donated a lot or a little to help us this year - we love you!

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ADC Venue Hire

Planning your 2020 program or product launch?
We host all types of events from Christmas parties,
campaign launches, small team meetings and interactive
workshops. Our space can accommodate up to 200+
people standing and 70 seated.

[Find out more](#)



Want to know more? Take a free gallery tour

Make the most of your trip to the Australian Design Centre with our free daily exhibition tours.

Call on us on 9361 4555 to make a booking or register at the front desk 10mins prior to tour time.

[Find out more](#)

About Australian Design Centre

Established in 1964, ADC is a not-for-profit organisation that creates opportunities for people to engage with design, craft and creativity through dynamic and high-quality touring exhibitions, publishing, digital and educational activities.

ADC's mission is to 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 and the Sydney Culture Network.

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

We acknowledge with respect the traditional owners the Gadigal People of the Eora Nation.

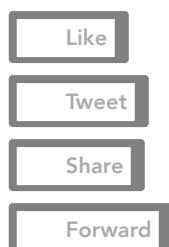
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