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**Vancouver Island Fibre Fest workshop registration opens March 6**

Vancouver Island Fibre Fest is happening again this May, and workshop registration begins March 6.

Vancouver Island Fibre Fest will run May 5,6 and 7 at the Community Centre. To see the selection of workshops, pick up a brochure or check out the website.

*“This is a great opportunity to discover the beauty of textile arts – and workshops fill quickly, so don’t wait too long to register,”* says City of Campbell River recreation programmer Judy Ridgway.

*“There will be so much to see and do with workshops on spinning, weaving, knitting, quilting, felt making and needle felting,”* Ridgway says. *“All workshops are taught by incredible fibre artists from all over Vancouver Island, the Gulf Islands and the Lower Mainland.”*

Vancouver Island Fibre Fest will also include displays of local guilds and demonstrations throughout the weekend, plus the popular Kids’ Corner, offering hands-on time in the creative atmosphere to learn skills that will last them a lifetime.

*“Kids and adults will love to watch the Midnight Shuttles as they take us through the steps of making a shawl with their Sheep to Shawl demonstration,”* she says. *“Drop in and celebrate with us at Fibre Fest this year!”*

The Fibre Fest Marketplace will feature vendors from Vancouver Island and beyond.

*“It’s a treat for the eyes to see the beautiful colours of the wool and fabrics, and there’s always an amazing selection for shopping or browsing,”* she adds.

Vendors already registered at this year’s marketplace include: The Needle & Arts Centre, Ancient Futures, riv.creative, Marilisse’s Hand Dyed, Lavender Lampworks, Margaret Grumble, Hooked in the Maples, Rainbow Fibres, DK Knitwear/DK Dylee Knits, Grinsheep Fibre Productions, Nan.c.Designs, and Big Blue Momma.

For more information on Vancouver Island Fibre Fest, call the City of Campbell River Community Centre at 250-286-1161 or email [judy.ridgway@campbellriver.ca](mailto:judy.ridgway@campbellriver.ca).

Visit the Fibre Fest website: [www.shelmack.wixsite.com/vancouverislandfibre](http://www.shelmack.wixsite.com/vancouverislandfibre)

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