

## News Release

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## Free yarn bombing workshop coming to close-knit Campbell River

Calling anyone nutty for knitting or crazy about crocheting – you're invited to free yarn bombing workshops.

Yarn bombing is a type of street art made from colourful knitted, crocheted or braided items displayed in public spaces, and workshops will be held April 2 at Sybil Andrews Cottage or April 10 at the Campbell River Community Centre. Both workshops are free and run 12:30 to 5 p.m.

"Yarn bombing is believed to have originated with Texas knitters looking for creative ways to use their leftover and unfinished knitting projects. It has since spread worldwide, and will have its debut in Campbell River this April," said recreation programmer Judy Ridgway. "Join us for this fun, family-oriented activity and get knitting or crocheting swatches that will become public art to add some colour to our community and get people excited about celebrating these arts."

Yarn bombing public art will be installed after the workshops at the Campbell River Community Centre and Sybil Andrew's Cottage.

In preparation for the yarn bombing workshops, the Campbell River Recreation Department is accepting donations of yarn at the Community Centre. If you are unable to drop off yarn, please telephone 250-286-1161 to arrange for pick up.

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