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HERE'S A GOOD YARN CANBERRA WOOL EXPO BACK BIGGER THAN EVER

While the nation's politicians will be spinning their own yarns on election weekend, <u>Canberra Wool Expo</u> is the weekend when knit really happens as the best quality wool products and producers come together to warm visitors up ahead of the winter season.

Canberra's Old Bus Depot Markets will be 'off the hook' as the biggest wool themed weekend, Canberra Wool Expo, is back bigger and better than ever before on 18th and 19th May.

"Canberra Wool Expo will be filled with some of Australia's best wool producers and is a great opportunity for visitors to our popular market to meet these talented craftspeople," said Old Bus Depot Markets Director, Anthony Niravong.

"In 2019 Canberra Wool Expo will also host the highest number of wool workshops we have ever had for a single event. Our specialist workshops, open for bookings from the public, are taught by textile professionals with a variety of expertise and techniques.

"Stallholders will showcase some of the best quality wool products you'll find in the country. Visitors can expect to see a vasty array of luxury and specialist yarns including those that have been hand-spun and hand dyed. Tools, accessories and clothing will also be in abundance," continued Anthony.

Makers workshops will include <u>Macrame with Annette Boyd</u>, <u>Crocheted with Love by Frances Carleton and knitting</u> and <u>Wool Combing with Julie Hofer</u>. There's also rug punch embroidery, wet felt and needle felting, quilting and weaving, with options from beginners to experienced hobbyists.

Just some of the wool producers ewe will love at Canberra Wool Expo include <u>Blackwattle Alpaca Yarn and Fibre</u> with their high-quality alpaca yarn, sheep's wool from <u>Camelot Mohair</u> and goat's wool from <u>Belisa Cashmere</u>.

"Our goal is to make the Canberra Wool Expo the biggest wool event in the region," concluded Anthony.

Canberra Wool Expo takes place at Canberra's Old Bus Depot Markets on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th May 2019 and is a free event. Makers Workshops are ticketed events, and places are strictly limited. For more information and to book workshops, visit www.canberrawoolexpo.com.au

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