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Practice

Karhina Designs

Creating unique and distinctive designs in wall art, handbags and jewellery using photography, applique and embroidery. My work incorporates up-cycled, recycled and reclaimed materials with free machine and/or hand embroidery using the needle as my paintbrush.

Creative Moreland

Curating CreativeMoreland.com.au - an internet resource of artists and creative people living and/or working in the city of Moreland, Melbourne.

Puddleduck Designs – UK

Created and operated Puddleduck Designs with a range of hand-made greeting cards, hand woven and machine embroidered textiles.

**Exhibitions,
Markets &
Workshops**

- 2016
 - Facilitating the Moreland Quilt - community engagement project to create a quilt representing City of Moreland resident’s cultural diversity.
- 2016
 - 40 x 40 Art Prize – Brunswick Street Gallery - Melbourne
 - ‘The Last Show’ – 69 Smith Street Gallery - Melbourne
 - ‘Factivism’ – Counihan Art Gallery - Melbourne
 - Community Grant recipient to create the ‘Moreland Quilt’ – Moreland City Council
 - Linden Post Card Show – Linden New Art - Melbourne
 - Solo Exhibition ‘Stitch by Stitch’ - 69 Smith St Gallery – Melbourne
 - Small Works Art Prize – Brunswick Street Gallery – Melbourne
 - Repair, Remake and Swap Workshop – Craft Cubed Festival – CERES – Melbourne
- 2015
 - **Honourable Mention** - End of Year Show – 69 Smith St Gallery – Melbourne
 - 40 x 40 Art Prize – Brunswick Street Gallery - Melbourne
 - Linden Post Card Show – Linden New Art - Melbourne
 - Small Works Art Prize – Brunswick Street Gallery – Melbourne
 - Freehand Embroidery workshops – Full day x 2
- 2014
 - Freehand Embroidery workshops – Full day x 3
- 2012
 - Christmas Twilight Celebrations – Belconnen Arts Centre – Canberra
 - Sustainable Art, Craft & Design – Belconnen Arts Centre – Canberra
- 2011
 - Harvest Festival of Art, Design & Wine – Belconnen Arts Centre – Canberra
 - Sustainable Festival – ACT Government
 - You Are Here – Reloved Creations Design Hub – Canberra
 - Green Savvy Sunday – Bus Depot Market – Canberra
- 2010
 - Footprints Festival in the Gardens – Australian National Botanic Gardens – Canberra
 - Sustainable Festival – ACT Government
 - Re Loved Re Vamped – Craft ACT – Canberra
 - Belco Bazaar – Celebrating local environmentally friendly Design, Art & Craft – Belconnen Arts Centre – Canberra
- 2009-10
 - Udessi – Australian Art Craft Design Website

- 2009
 - Ginger Lane Night Market – Old Parliament House – Canberra
 - ‘Spring Landscapes’ – Solo Exhibition – Body Works Studio – Canberra
 - ‘Sustainable Valentine’ – Belconnen Arts Centre – Canberra
 - Remake workshops x 4 – Teaching reclaiming, up-cycling and remaking techniques to update clothing and home wares
 - **1st Prize** - ‘Reuse, Reclaim, Recycle’ – Green Lifestyle – Canberra
- 2008
 - Creative Fibre – Old Bus Depot – Canberra
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 - Local Hands – Craft ACT – Canberra
 - Creative Fibre – Old Bus Depot – Canberra
 - Designers & Creators Expo 06 – Canberra
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- 2005
 - Creative Fibre – Old Bus Depot – Canberra
- 2004
 - **Peoples Choice** - ‘Recycled – Reborn’- Cuppacumbalong Gallery – Tharwa
 - ACT Embroidery Guild Exhibition – Canberra
 - Tuggeranong Regional Art Prize - Tuggeranong Arts Centre – Canberra
 - **1st Prize** - ‘Footsteps on Campus: Connections with ‘Environment’ - Australian National University – Canberra
- 2002
 - **1st Prize** - Seer Green Art Show – Buckinghamshire, UK
 - Beaconsfield Exhibition of Art – Buckinghamshire, UK
- 2001
 - Beaconsfield Exhibition of Art – Buckinghamshire, UK
- 1999
 - Save the Children Exhibition of Art, Aylesbury– Buckinghamshire, UK

Voluntary Work

- 2009 Management Committee for Switch to Green conference and expo, Canberra – organising sponsorship, promotion, presenters, art show, volunteer group participation, clothes swap.
- 2009 Created and curated www.CanberraHandmade.com – a free web portal with the aim to promote artists and crafts people living in Canberra
- 2004-6 Leading Craft Classes to introduce nature weaving to Year 5 children – Ainslie Primary School – Canberra
- 2000 Working with children aged 4 – 11 creating Millennium Banners for Seer Green C of E School, UK. Assisting the older children to design the banners and teaching all the children to create them by cutting, gluing and sewing the fabric.
- 1996 - Demonstrating spinning and weaving to children aged 6 – 10. Teaching the children
- 2003 weaving with paper, found items, wool and on small looms - UK.

Workshops

- Basket weaving - Jackie Abrams – July 2011
- Eco Dyeing – India Flint – November 2008
- Reconstructing Textiles - India Flint – November 2005
- IT Champions – Sept 2002 – March 2003
- Presentation Skills – December 2001
- Machine Embroidery – January – July 1999
- Weaving – January 1998 – July 1999

Membership

Craft Victoria
Creative Moreland