

# Queensland Spinners, Weavers & Fibre Artists

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## Fibre Fest 2011 'NewTraditions'



**Where:** Brisbane Botanic Gardens Auditorium, Mt. Coot-tha, Brisbane

**When:** 28-30 October 2011

Opening Night Friday 28 October @ 6.30pm  
10am - 4pm Friday 28 & Saturday 29 October  
10am - 3pm Sunday 30 October  
Admission \$3.00 – children under 12 free

**What:** A juried exhibition of the finest in spinning, weaving, dyeing felting, knitting, crochet, braiding, basketry, papermaking and artist bookmaking.

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A shop selling a huge range of excellent handmade unique items, perfect for early Christmas shopping.

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Queensland Spinners, Weavers and Fibre Artists is a non-profit organisation dedicated to the promotion of a wide variety of fibre arts. Besides traditional spinning and weaving, our members are involved in experimental dyeing and making felt, baskets, hand-made paper and other hand-crafted items.

Our basket group, the BasketCases, have been hard at work producing large fibre sculptures. These will reside on the lawn near the Auditorium. The creators of these intriguing shapes will demonstrate nearby, making wonderful objects from plant material found in the everyday garden.

Other demonstrations will run continually throughout the exhibition, including weaving, spinning and dyeing demonstrations.

A Drop Spindle demonstration will show how the first known spinning was done. If you are a 'Time Team' fan, you would have seen one of these unearthed in a recent episode. The Drop Spindle is the most basic technology dating back at least 10,000 years.

The raffle prize is a magnificent shawl of lace-weight mohair blend yarn in an Estonian Lace pattern.

QSW&FA and [Complex Weavers](#) are pleased to announce an award to be given for excellence in complex weaving at juried shows such as 'New Traditions'. The award winner will receive a certificate, a woven ribbon and one year's membership in Complex Weavers. The winner will be announced on Opening Night.

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