

Celebrate, Connect, Grow



Art and well-being in Hornsby Shire 

For this year's **Mental Health Week**, Hornsby Council is presenting an installation of textile art in Hornsby Mall. This web-like piece of art will be created by Italian textile artist, Elena Redaelli and colleague Olivia Iezzi, who will weave recycled materials from one tree to another.

Families are invited to participate in this project, by attending a workshop where they weave their own piece of art.

Participants are encouraged to bring along recycled materials that represent an important aspect of their life, such as their cultural heritage. These materials will then be intertwined with pieces of recycled yarn, fabric, ribbon, rope and other items. Chosen to represent the theme of "Celebrate, Connect, Grow" the artwork is a celebration of the mind and our diversity.

The weaving connects the trees while we connect with each other. The trees symbolise growth as we raise awareness about mental health with our growing families in Hornsby Shire.



Two workshops will be held for families and children enabling them to take part in the artwork, by weaving their own small piece of the 'web'. Only recycled materials will be used to make the artwork. All materials will be supplied but if you would like, please bring along some of your own recycled materials for the workshop. The types of materials we can use are those which can be cut with scissors, making them suitable for weaving such as pre-loved clothes. Children under 12 years must be supervised by a parent, and although the classes are for those aged 5 years and over, all the family is welcomed to watch-on.

Weaving the well-being web

FREE craft workshops for children will be held on:

Date: Thursday 4 October

Time: 2pm – 4:30pm

Where: The Drawing Room, Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre, 25 Edgeworth David Ave, Hornsby

Cost: FREE

Bookings essential Margaret Cogle 9847 6611



AND

Date: Sunday 7 October

Time: 2pm – 4:30pm

Where: Hornsby Mall, Florence Street, Hornsby

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Installation of the final artwork "well-being web" will take place on **Tuesday 9 October**, in Hunter Street, Hornsby Mall. The artwork will remain in the Mall to help celebrate the launch of Hornsby's annual Festival of the Arts on **13 October**.

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