

## AUGUST NEWSLETTER

### Registrations open for Wearable Technologies/Smart Textiles symposium 14 October



Registrations are now open for the Textile and Design Lab's Wearable Technologies/Smart Textiles symposium being held at the AUT's Auckland City campus on Wednesday 14 October. Keynote speakers, Genevieve Dion from Drexel University in the US, and Dr Oscar Tomico from the Technical University Eindhoven in the Netherlands, will be joined by presenters from New Zealand companies including Footfalls and Heartbeats, Revolution Fibres and StretchSense. AUT researchers and postgraduate students working in this sector are also included in the day's programme. A discounted registration fee of \$40 is available for full-time students.

[Register here.](#)

*LED shirt by Matt Martin*

### 1-day felting workshop and felt making sessions

Places are still available for our 1 day felting workshop which takes place on Tuesday 1 September. Participants will be taught how to use the lab's Feltloom needle-felting machine as a tool for textile design and creation and gain an understanding of the machine operations and techniques for making felted fabric designs that can be used for items such as scarves and shawls. The workshop will appeal to anyone who has an interest in designing and creating felt based materials and products.

[Register here.](#)

The lab is also running a series of 3-hour felt making sessions for those who have previously attended one of our 1 day workshops or induction sessions and who wish to make their own materials and products on the Feltloom. [Read more](#) about our felt making sessions.

### New promo video for TDL

The Textile and Design Lab recently launched its new promotional video that highlights the growing range of research capabilities, technologies and student engagement. The production was co-ordinated by AUT Marketing Co-ordinator, Stanton Dunn with filming and editing by Calvin Sang.

[Watch video.](#)

### Scarves for PhD graduates

Dean of the Faculty of Design and Creative Technologies, Desna Jury, and AUT Marketing Co-ordinator, Stanton Dunn, approached the TDL recently to design and produce a range of knitted merino wool and digitally printed silk scarves for the Faculty's latest cohort of PhD graduates. TDL Senior Technician, Gordon Fraser, and Lecturer in Textile Design, Rachele Moore, worked on the design and development of the knitted scarves while designs for the printed scarves were created by students Drew Macnamara and Joanne Donovan.



*Members of AUT's Marketing Team modelling the knitted merino and printed silk scarves*

### **2015 short course programme**

The Textile and Design Lab's 2015 short course programme is now underway. Each of the 2 day courses will be run twice during the year. The full schedule for the remainder of 2015 is as follows:

*Photoshop Basics for Textile Design: 3-4 December*

*Illustrator Basics for Textile Design: 30 November-1 December*

*Digital Textile Design (Intermediate Level) – Repeating Patterns: 10-11 December*

*Knitwear Design: 5-6 December*

*Knitting Basics: 10-11 December*

*Introduction to Textiles: 3-4 December*

Short course information sheets and registration forms can be [downloaded here](#).