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Yarn Artists Invited to Participate in Adkins Yarn Storming Event

Do you have a passion for yarn artistry and a love of trees? Combine the two to create a tree "sweater" for the inaugural Yarn Storming event at Adkins Arboretum! Sponsored by the Arboretum in partnership with the Fiber Arts Center of the Eastern Shore (FACES), Yarn Storming is an opportunity to create a whimsical and exciting visual experience in the trees around the Arboretum Visitor's Center.

Also known as yarn bombing, guerrilla knitting, kniffiti, urban knitting and graffiti knitting, yarn storming is a street art that employs knitted or crocheted yarn rather than paint or chalk. Local yarn artists are invited to knit or



crochet colorful yarn sweaters for a chosen Arboretum tree. Yarn Storming creations will be installed between Sat., Feb. 29 and Sat., March 7, 2020 and will be on display beginning Sun., March 8. Participating artists will be recognized at a public reception at the Arboretum on Sun., March 8 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Artists are strongly advised to choose their trees in advance. They may schedule a visit by contacting Adkins Assistant Director Jenny Houghton at <u>ihoughton@adkinsarboretum.org</u>. Natural fibers are preferred, and artists are asked to refrain from using glitter.

More information and a registration form are available at adkinsarboretum.org or by contacting FACES at 410-470-0009.

Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. For more information, visit <u>adkinsarboretum.org</u> or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0. The Fiber Arts Center of the Eastern Shore is a destination for the area's many quilt and fiber art enthusiasts, visitors, and residents to view historic and recent works by quilters and fiber artists from Maryland's Eastern Shore and Delmarva Peninsula. As a home to exhibit, retail, studio, and instruction spaces, FACES provides a central networking facility for fiber artists in the region; increases public access to and education about fiber art; fosters and promotes creativity in all areas of fiber art; and works to preserve fiber art skills and traditions. For more information, visit fiberartscenter.com or call 410-479-0009.

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