

PUBLIC NOTICE

Help bring Color, Art, and Life to our Neighborhood
with the 4th Ave Community Yarn Bomb *



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Calling all knitters and crocheters! Help us create a mosaic of color in yarn to celebrate the spirit of the arts in Gowanus!

Arts Gowanus, Textile Arts Center, the Old Stone House, and Forth on Fourth Ave (FOFA), a committee of the Park Slope Civic Council, are partnering to facilitate a Community Yarn Bomb project to bring colorful, surprising, and street-friendly fabric art to 4th Ave. The Yarn Bomb project celebrates Fourth Avenue and Gowanus Open Studios 2015 on the weekend of October 17-18. It will be community generated and free to participants, other than optional donated or in-kind materials and labor.

We will be holding two work sessions that are free and open to the public where participants can come and knit or crochet 8" x 8" squares. Some yarn and needles will be provided, and participants are welcome and encouraged to bring their own supplies, as well as continue construction at home. Work sessions will be held at **Textile Arts Center: 505 Carroll St, Brooklyn, NY 11215**

1st Work Session: Thursday, September 17 from 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Sign up here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gos-2015-community-yarn-bomb-work-session-i-tickets-18121955256>

2nd Work Session: Thursday, September 24 from 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Sign up here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gos-2015-community-yarn-bomb-work-session-ii-tickets-18122072607>

Space is limited, so please RSVP using the registration links.

Busy on Thursdays? Knitters and crocheters can work at home too - and drop off finished work at the Textile Arts Center. There will be a third session for installation, time and location TBD.

We will also need a few experienced knitters and crocheters on-hand to help teach simple stitches to participants who might be novices or rusty on techniques like cast-on and bind-off. Please get in touch with us if you are willing to volunteer for one or both of the sessions to answer questions and help demonstrate techniques.

To RSVP for one or both of these dates, or to volunteer to during the workshops, contact Elizabeth Neckes at elizabeth@artsgowanus.org.

***Yarn bombing:** *Urban knitting or graffiti knitting, a type of graffiti or street art that employs colorful displays of knitted or crocheted yarn or fiber rather than paint or chalk. Yarn bombing was initially almost exclusively about reclaiming and personalizing sterile or cold public places. Yarn installations are considered non-permanent, and, unlike other forms of graffiti, can be easily removed if necessary*