

## Leah Cathleen Donald



Leah Cathleen is a Canadian fibre artist. She was born and raised in Calgary. As an instructor for school field trips at the Leighton Art Centre for over 11 years, Leah honed her teaching skills and learned about many different art mediums. After Leah Cathleen discovered felting, she left Leighton to start her own company - ArtFelt Studio - teaching felting in local schools. This business has grown exponentially over the 10 years since it started and now has 4 instructors visiting southern Alberta schools. Leah Cathleen has personally taught well over 15,000 children - and several hundred adults - how to felt.

Leah Cathleen is a self-taught fibre artist working with wool and has a delightful passion for teaching this art process. Her art has won awards at the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede and the best of show award of the fibre art section at the Millarville Fall Fair. She was the guest artist at Lougheed House for Alberta Art Days and has demonstrated felting at the Leighton Centre Clothesline Art Sale. Leah Cathleen teaches adult felting sessions at Olds Fibre Week, the Calgary Teachers Convention, the Leighton Art Centre, The Fibre Nook in Edmonton – as well as art ambassador events at the Alberta Children's Hospital and several events for the Alberta Early Childhood Education Council.

