



# ANGEL NEWS

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## Run And Not Grow Weary

These words would speak to many women. But when Lis Rate-Smith became aware of this scripture from the book of Isaiah she says "I knew it was for me". "I knew that an artwork would be made but was unsure how I would do it".

What Lis has been inspired to make is a series of screen-printed designer t-shirts under the brand Eden Arvad (Paradise wanderer).

Lis had enjoyed screen printing many years ago. She completed a Diploma in Fine Arts back in 1999 but marriage and family came along and Lis found she had drifted away from creating artwork.

Lis says it was hard to start again creatively after being away from making art for so long. Her Christian faith has been important for her to "go after my dream of creating art".



When Lis came to the Angel Fund she knew what she needed to take the next step. She had the skills, the ideas, a workplace in her garage and ideas for selling her t-shirts but needed a small amount of money for art materials and plain t-shirts.

You can see Lis's work on her website [edenarvad.thenosefairy.co.nz](http://edenarvad.thenosefairy.co.nz). Her work can well be described as "thought provoking, wearable art". Thanks Lis, for making material from your website (ie the write up by Moana Tipa Associates and the photos) available for this article. Lis can be contacted at [ratesmith@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ratesmith@xtra.co.nz).

Jenny Benson from Zonta Club Christchurch North presents Koa with a cheque for the loan pool. Zonta began supporting the Angel Fund over 10 years ago and their seed money has resulting in a loan going out and being repaid eleven times over.



## Be Crafty

Have you checked out [www.felt.co.nz](http://www.felt.co.nz)?

Felt is a New Zealand-based online marketplace for handmade goods, designed to enable artists, designers and craftspeople to promote their work and connect with buyers.

On the web site Lucy Arnold explains why she set up Felt.

“I'm interested in the philosophy of handmade enterprises and the cottage industry - the environmental and lifestyle aspect - and the integrity of making a living from producing handmade goods on a small scale.”

Each listing on Felt costs just 50 cents and there is a 5% success fee. And there's more. A forum and meetings – and connecting with like-minded people.

## Emme Design is on Felt

Emily is a creative soul with a passion for interior design, graphic design and colour. This is reflected in the way she incorporates beautiful fabrics into her products. Over the years she has made cushions, art, cards and jewellery.



Recently she has begun making muscle relief bags that help with life's little stresses. Each bag is made from wheat and 100% essential oil.

I recommend her lavender and hops insomnia pillow. You can see Emily's products on Felt or on her web-site [www.emmedesignstudio.co.nz](http://www.emmedesignstudio.co.nz) or you can contact her on [emilymarshall@xtra.co.nz](mailto:emilymarshall@xtra.co.nz)



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## Congratulations Krystyna

Congratulations Krystyna on receiving support from the New Horizons for Women Trust for her floristry study.

If you need support to follow a dream, do look in the “Breakout” funding database on the computers at the Libraries.

## What is the Angel Fund?

We are a women's saving and loan fund. We aim to support women in their efforts to improve their financial position. The Angel Fund offers a savings scheme and small loans to women on low incomes for the purpose of small business, education, or moving into work.

## Recent loans have been for

Screen-printing, jewellery materials, beautician supplies, travel to conference, business promotion, floristry and private investigation study.

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