



**Eclectic range** Enoki stitch rug, Makedo's Makedog and Ute's Shorts Stool are just some of the items at Bowerbird Bazaar.

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As the handmade revolution sweeps Australia, Bowerbird Bazaar takes flight in SA, writes Sarah Daly

**I**n a world of reproductions and the mass-produced, we're constantly searching for that one-off, a piece that will set us apart from the crowd.

The popularity of handmade wares has received a boost over the past few years, and Bowerbird Bazaar gives Adelaide a chance to further develop this trend.

Co-organiser of the event Rebekah Cichero says: "Interest in design and handmade art and wares is growing all over Australia and there's no reason not to embrace it here - Adelaide is a hidden treasure." Opening on October 9 as a

unique art and handmade wares created by local and national designers.

"Designers/makers need to be part of a fantastic, supportive showcase for their work, and shoppers and retailers want access to singular new goods and art, Bowerbird provides this," says Rebekah.

A bazaar in the classic sense of the word, the historic Queen's Theatre will be transformed into a lively, exciting marketplace where buyers and designers/makers can interact.

The exciting range of wares includes an eclectic mix of exhibitors - some local

for Jane Burbidge (trading as ceramics by Just Jane) and furniture from Koush Design. There's also the best of interstate with the inspiring and gorgeous modular construction system from Makedo, screen printed textiles from Cloth and cool colourful decals from Flat Bird Surface Art.

"With the added extras like good food and wine, which also feature in Bowerbird Bazaar, this event provides a great opportunity to find the latest trends and products designed and made locally and interstate," says Rebekah. ■