



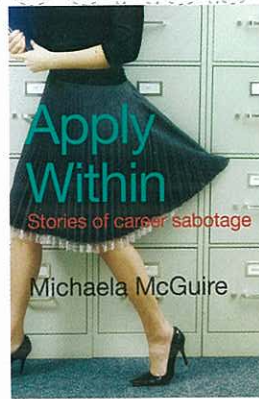
THE FINDERS KEEPERS MARKETS

Gird your loins, Brisbane, you are in for a treat! For the very first time, the smashing indie extravaganza of handmade goodies, art, fashion and design known as **The Finders Keepers Market** rolls its way north to the Queensland capital for two heady days on **October 31st** and **November 1st** at the Old Museum. As ever, frankie will be there to lend a hand with some fun shenanigans of our own as stallholders from all over the shop hawk their artful and unique wares. Sydneysiders can get a little pre-Xmas shopping done too, when FINDER KEEPERS heads home to the harbour city for December 4th and 5th at Carriageworks. Be sure to come and wave hello! www.thefinderskeepers.com



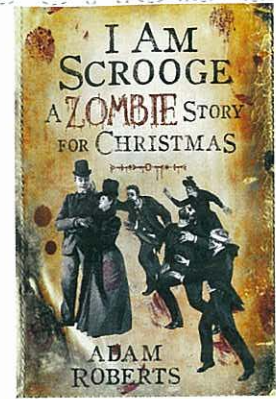
THE CRAFTY MINX BY KELLY DOUST

Aimed at the beginner-level (like, really beginner – there is nothing scary here), *The Crafty Minx* offers cute and playful craft ideas for all seasons, with an emphasis on creative upcycling and gift-giving. Monkey toys from old jumpers, DIY collage art using op shop picture frames and lots of sewing ideas to use up your secondhand fabric stash – this'll keep you busy without stressing you out with complicated instructions and long-winded projects destined to be chucked on the 'abandoned crafts' pile. Two thumbs up. – PPT



APPLY WITHIN: STORIES OF CAREER SABOTAGE BY MICHAELA MCGUIRE

We featured Michaela back in our "Smart Cookies" story in issue 24, so we're pretty excited to see her first book hot off the presses. *Apply Within* is a series of anecdotes based around Michaela's rather sketchy CV (election worker for federal MP, door bitch for strip club, ash tray shifter in casino high rollers' room), and it's a) hilarious and b) guaranteed to make you feel less shit about whatever job you're in now. As the memoir of a creative type who can never quite find her space in life, it's something probably all of us can relate to. – PPT



I AM SCROOGE: A ZOMBIE STORY FOR CHRISTMAS BY ADAM ROBERTS

Zombies seem to be popping up in all sorts of odd, 19th century places at the moment (see *Pride and Prejudice and Zombies* and the upcoming *Queen Victoria: Demon Hunter*), so what better way to get into the festive spirit than with this literary mash-up of *A Christmas Carol* and *I Am Legend*? Not one for the squeamish, but a heartwarming and brain-smashing tale nonetheless. Good for curling up with on the afternoon of the 25th, after all that roast turkey and pudding – if you look past some of the more heavy-handed puns, it's quite good fun. – PPT



fairytale art

There are happily ever afters in this world. Crafty website **Leeloo** is turning two and to celebrate they're presenting *Once Upon*, an exhibition featuring the work of 38 young Australian artists including Catherine Campbell, Sarah McNeil, Caitlin Shearer and Ali J. Each artist has been given the job of interpreting a different fairytale and producing four new works for the show, so there'll be glass slippers and talking pigs aplenty, as well as a special Leeloo pop-up store with goodies to buy from the online shop. Head out to opening night on **Thursday November 19th** from 6 till 9pm at aMBUSH gallery, 4A James Street, Waterloo, Sydney, or pop past during the day – *Once Upon* runs till the 22nd. www.leeloo.com.au



CRAFT VICTORIA'S SHOE SHOW

Shoe fetishists and handmade lovers rejoice! **Craft Victoria** has a bit of love for both lots of obsessives with their new exhibition, **Shoe Show**. Featuring collections from six emerging handmade footwear practitioners – **Emma Greenwood** (whose delicious work you can see above), Phong Lai, April Phillips, Emma Shirgwin, Tim Tropp and James Roberts – it's a chance to see this rare artform up close and personal. And of course day dream about popping your tootsies into some of the special shoes on display. Show Show runs from **October 22nd till November 28th** at Craft Victoria, 3 Flinders Lane, Melbourne.