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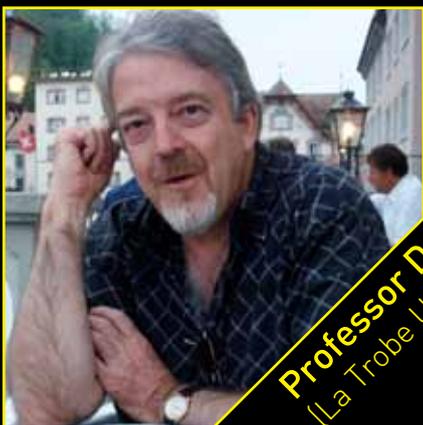


BURNING CONVERSATIONS

October 1-2 2014

Exploring the place of spirituality
in youth development, well-being
and participation

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Professor David Tacey
(La Trobe University, Melbourne)

Professor David Tacey is a public intellectual and recognised international authority in Jungian psychology, spirituality and mental health. Over many years he has applied his insights to the analysis and articulation of the contemporary Australian spiritual condition, offering clarity and vision for those who seek to work intelligently and holistically in human flourishing. He is the author of fourteen books, including *Edge of the Sacred* (1995/2009), *ReEnchantment* (2000), and *The Spirituality Revolution* (2003). His most recent book is *Gods and Diseases: Making Sense of Our Physical and Mental Wellbeing* (2011).



Maxine Green
(George Williams YMCA College)
(London, UK)

Maxine Green is a recognised UK authority on the relationships between spirituality, youth development, youth work and professional ethics. In this contested and often controversial space Maxine brings clarity, balance, warmth and wisdom. Her latest writing is a contributing chapter on 'The use of the spiritual self in youth work practice', soon to be published in, *Youth Work and Faith: Debates, Delights and Dilemmas* (Russell House, 2014). Maxine is the Principal of the YMCA George Williams College, London, a leading Higher and Further Education provider for degree-qualified Youth and Community Workers.

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GUEST PERFORMANCE ARTISTS



Alicia Min Harvie
Dancer and Choreographer

Alicia once thought that all of her big questions would be explained by formal studies in theology. What she discovered instead was a new way of questioning that she now lives out with her body and imagination.



Joel McKerrow
Performance Poet

In a time when politics, theology, and other important avenues of human intercourse suffer from a flatness of prose and a vacuum of meaning, Joel walks on stage just when we need him, sounding off with all the craft of a first-rate poet and all the verve of a first-rate performer. (Brian McLaren, author and activist)

CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION



Phil Daughtry
Conference Director

Dr Phil Daughtry is Head of School, Humanities and Social Sciences, at Tabor Adelaide. He has a long term interest in contemporary spirituality and youth work and has been active for many years in facilitating conversation and inquiry around this topic, including a UK forum at Durham University in 2012 which produced the *Durham Accord*. Phil has published in the area of Christian spirituality for young people (*The Sacred Life of Us*, 2003) and in the place of spirituality in youth work curriculum (2010 and 2012).

If it takes a village to raise a child what would a holistic practice of spiritual formation with young people look like in contemporary Australian society?

The youth life-stage is generally understood as a time of openness, exploration and questioning in terms of identity, autonomy, agency and vocation. The opportunity for young people to access spiritual resources, wisdom, mentors, communities and traditions is vitally important to the formation of their holistic sense of self, social participation and responsibility. But what does this mean in a predominantly secular culture and society with an Anglo-Christian heritage, multi-cultural pluralism, tentative respect for the Aboriginal story and the spirituality of the land and declining participation in traditional forms of religious practice?

This conference aims to draw together a variety of perspectives and views on the question above, including experienced youth workers, social thinkers and commentators and the voices of young people themselves. The common thread in our conversation is that we think the spiritual dimension of the psyche is important for the human story and that young people have the right to receive access to this.

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Papers and workshops:

A diverse collection of papers and workshops, reflecting both theory and practice will address themes such as:

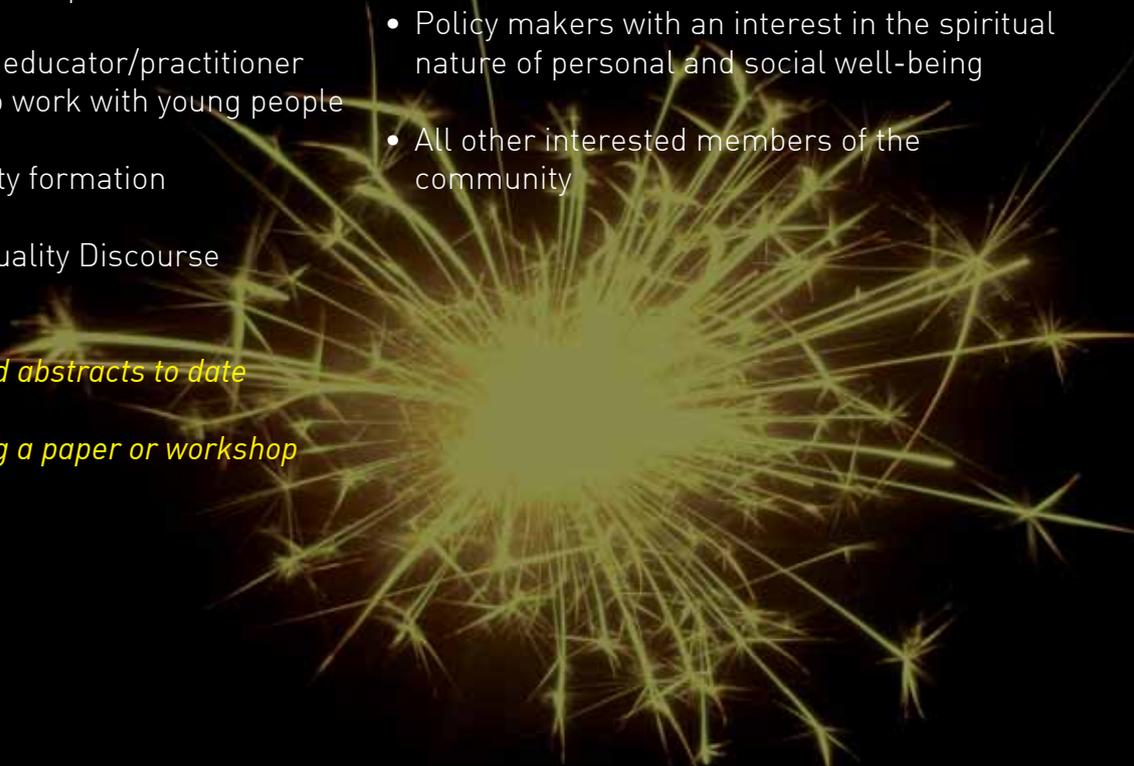
- Spiritual Education and Care in a Secularised Culture
- The place and process of grief and loss in young people's spiritual journey
- Perspectives of young people on their experiences of spirit and spiritual education
- The spirituality of the educator/practitioner and its relationship to work with young people
- Spirituality and identity formation
- Nuances in the Spirituality Discourse

[View confirmed titles and abstracts to date](#)

[Guidelines for submitting a paper or workshop](#)

Who the conference is for:

- Youth and community workers
- Religion and values educators
- Chaplains and members of pastoral care teams
- Health and well-being professionals
- Researchers and academics with an interest in contemporary spirituality
- Policy makers with an interest in the spiritual nature of personal and social well-being
- All other interested members of the community



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Day 1 - Wednesday 1 October 2014

8.30am - 9.30am	Registration
9.30am - 10.00am	Welcome to Conference and Country (Performance Items)
10.00am - 10.40am	Keynote 1 – David Tacey
10.40am - 11.00am	Coffee
11.00am - 12.00pm	Concurrent Workshops
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Lunch
1.00pm - 2.00pm	Concurrent Workshops
2.05pm - 2.15pm	Performance Item(s)
2.15pm - 2.55pm	Keynote 2 – Maxine Green
2.55pm - 3.10pm	Afternoon Tea
3.10pm - 4.40pm	Great Debate (Incorporating Performance Items)
4.40pm - 5.40pm	Complementary Drinks and Finger Food
7.30pm - 8.30pm	Public Lecture - David Tacey with Maxine Green as respondent

Day 2 - Thursday 2 October 2014

8.30am - 9.30am	Registration
9.30am - 10.00am	Introduction to Day 2 (Performance Items)
10.00am - 10.40am	Keynote 3 – David Tacey
10.40am - 11.00am	Coffee
11.00am - 12.00pm	Concurrent Workshops
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Lunch
1.00pm - 2.00pm	Concurrent Workshops
2.05pm - 2.15pm	Performance Item(s)
2.15pm - 2.55pm	Keynote 4 – Maxine Green
2.55pm - 3.15pm	Closing Comment (Performance Items)
3.15pm - 4.00pm	Afternoon Tea Available

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Conference Rates

Standard - Early-Bird (Book by June 30)	\$240
Standard (After June 30)	\$320
Student - Early-Bird (Book by June 30)	\$180
Student (After June 30)	\$250
One Day Conference Rate	\$180

Group Discounts

Book 10 Standard	Pay for 8
Book 20 Standard	Pay for 15

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