

Rainforest and Reef Conservation Stories Program

Thursday 3 and Friday 4 July | Ninney Rise, Mission Beach

Registration information is available by contacting sam@wombatcreative.com.au.

All panel conversations will be facilitated by our special guest, **Gregg Borschmann** from ABC Radio National.

Timing	Session description
0930 – 1030	Arrival and morning tea
1030 – 1100	Conference opening and Djiru Welcome to Country
1100 – 1130	<p>Conference overview and setting the scene</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome to delegates - The history of Ninney Rise and an introduction to the Friends of Ninney Rise Suzie Smith, WPSQ Cassowary Coast and Hinchinbrook - Handing over Ninney Rise to the community James Newman, Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service
1130 – 1210	<p>Djiru traditional hunting, connection to sea and conservation of significant animals Leonard Andy and Whitney Rassip</p> <p><i>In conversation with:</i> Leonard Andy, Djiru elder Whitney Rassip, Djiru woman Dr Michael Davis, University of Sydney</p>
1210 – 1300	<p>CONVERSATIONS: Rainforest conservation history</p> <p><i>Panellists include:</i> Mike Berwick, Chair Terrain NRM Aila Keto AO, Australian Rainforest Conservation Society Max Chappell, Wet Tropics Management Association Maurice Franklin, president C4 Mary Ritchie, past C4 member</p>
1300 – 1415	Lunch
1415 – 1430	<p>The Coral Battleground Book launch with Spinifex Press Susan Hawthorne and Renate Klein With special guest, Margaret Thorsborne AO, Patron Wildlife Queensland</p>
1430 – 1530	<p>Reef conservation history</p> <p><i>With panellists in conversation:</i> Charlie Veron, coral scientist Iain McCalman, University of Sydney Adam Smith, GBRMPA</p>
1530 - 1550	<p>Cultural Heritage and Ninney Rise Robert Dejong, Department of Environment and Heritage Protection</p>
1550 – 1620	<p>Rainforest and Reef on the Global Stage</p> <p><i>In conversation with:</i> Peter Hitchcock international consultant on <i>world heritage</i> values Dr Helen Larson member of the IUCN's Sciaenidae Red List Authority</p>
1630 – 1700	<p>Open House at Ninney Rise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - fresh fruit platters - tour art installations - photography and looped presentations from speakers and guests - continue conversations
1830 - 2230	<p>Ninney Rise fundraising dinner, Castaways Resort With entertainment by Paul Brennan. Dress code Tropical Rig.</p>

DAY 2	Friday 4 July
0830	Arrival tea and coffee and fresh fruit
0900 – 1000	Reef and rainforest art <i>A panel-style conversation with:</i> Liz Gallie, Mission Beach artist and conservationist Daryl Dickson, wildlife artist and conservationist Deanna Conti, artist Frances Thomson, Curator –cultural commentator
1000 – 1045	Hearts and minds: John Busst and others <i>Vision, activism, science, art and politics in a panel-style conversation:</i> Sigmund Jorgensen OAM, Montsalvat Carol Muller, WPSQ Maxine Newlands, JCU Yvonne Cunningham, Cassowary Coast Alliance
1045 – 1115	Morning tea
1115 – 1205	Reef and rainforest tourism <i>A panel discussion to explore destination building and the value of environment and tourism:</i> Paul Fagg, Tourism Tropical North Queensland Angi Matveyeff, Mission Beach Tourism Peter Salleras, Grower Paul Chantrill, WTMA
1205 – 1230	Discovering the underwater world – cultural impacts <i>In conversation with:</i> Professor Margaret Cohen, Stanford University USA Professor Jonathan Lamb, Vanderbilt University USA Iain McCalman, University of Sydney Mike Bluett, film producer with Northern Dogs Digital
1230 - 1345	Lunch
1350 – 1530	The future of Ninney Rise <i>A panel-style session exploring what the future holds, capturing vision, hopes and fundraising ideas.</i> Sigmund Jorgensen OAM, Montsalvat Jo Wills, Queensland Museum (Cairns) Other special guests
1530 – 1600	Afternoon tea
1600 – 1640	Aboriginal cassowary dance Girringun
1645	Thankyous and close
1700	Canapes and refreshments at C4 environment centre
DAY 3	Field trips 1. Boat trip to Ellison Reef 2. Rainforest and Reef tourism product development workshop (no charge)

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