

Spirituality and Social Transformation Workshop

Dr Chris Kavelin and Tjanara Goreng-Goreng

When: Sunday 23 August 2015, 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Location: Dantien, 13 Theodore St, Curtin ACT

Registration \$80 (AUD) concession; \$100.00 (AUD) adult

- How do we discover our purpose in life?
- How do we honour each other's cultural and religious spiritual gifts?
- In what ways can we actively value Indigenous cultures?
- What are the spiritual forces, processes and principles driving globalisation?
- Who have been some of the most important leaders of social transformation?
- What made them effective? How is our discernment of spiritual reality a key to solving the environmental crisis?

You will explore these questions and others in this interactive workshop including ways to benefit from differing approaches to spirituality for social transformation. The workshop will explore the unique cultural and spiritual traditions of each participant and introduce some Indigenous ways of being. It will offer ways to transform your own vision and encourage you to discover that appreciating the spiritual dimension of reality can create a profound difference in your life work and in the lives of others.

Dr Chris Kavelin has a PhD in law on the protection of Indigenous medical knowledge. He grew up on Native American reservations in the US and works with Indigenous communities in Australia, the Pacific and Africa, and on invitation also works alongside Heads of State to assist with development work. He has taught Law, Indigenous leadership, business communication, cultural studies, theology and religious studies, and spirituality and social transformation at Macquarie University for 10 years.

Tjanara Goreng-Goreng M.Soc.Admin (Comm.Dev.) Post.Grad.Dip.Mgt. Grad.Cert.Soc.Sc.(Couns.) is a Traditional Owner, Wakka Wakka Wulli Wulli woman from Central Queensland who grew up learning her traditions. Tjanara has been a senior executive in Federal and State Public Services, a Ministerial Advisor and taught at six Australian Universities.

Tjanara is culturally associated to the Yankunytjatjara peoples from the Central Desert at Uluru through her adoption by Kumunara Randall and Barbara Tjikatu AM Senior Traditional Custodians.

Tjanara has spent her life living and learning the knowledge, songs and dances taught to her by her Elders and teachers. Since 1996 Tjanara has been sharing Aboriginal Women's Business and Aboriginal Law & Spirituality in workshops with non-Indigenous and Indigenous women across Australia and internationally.

Tjanara is a traditional performer, Songwoman and Ngungkari traditional medicine healer and is Adjunct Assistant Professor Indigenous Studies at the University of Canberra.



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Bring: lunch to share, a notebook and wear comfortable clothes