

# What is possible when we really care for each other in our communities, no matter what?

3 day training in

## THE ART OF HOSTING

(participatory leadership)

**BRIGHT, VICTORIA | 27 - 29 MAY 2024**

Our world has changed.

We are living with more uncertainty than ever, and more and more we are feeling the effects of climate related emergencies.

The role of preparing and recovery belongs to all of us. Community, government, organisations, business - all of us.

And... some of us are weary and unsure of how to take a next step.

We need now more than ever to listen to each other, to invite more care into our interactions, and have the courage to face challenges together.

It's time to discover new ideas and solutions for working generatively in our work and in community with complexity, conflict, and emergence.

The Art of Hosting and Harvesting Conversations that Matter (also known as the Art of Participatory Leadership) equips us with the understanding and skills needed to encourage deep listening and authentic connection.

It offers simple and powerful shared leadership and collaborative practices to host generative conversations for coordinated action and positive change.

These approaches have been used effectively in diverse contexts worldwide, and for more than 15 years in Australia.

Join us in Bright, Victoria this May for a 3 day learning retreat to explore how we can grow our leadership capacity to bring more care for each other in our communities, no matter what we face.

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we will gather, the Dhudhuroa, Taungurung, Waywurru, Gunaikurnai and Jaithmathang as the First Peoples and Traditional Custodians of the Alpine Shire region of north east Victoria. We pay our deep respects to their Elders - past, present and emerging, and we honour their continuous connection to culture, community and Country.

## WHO IS IT FOR?

This training is for anyone and everyone who wants to explore the power of collective creativity, intelligence and collaboration with each other and within organisations and communities:

- Community members, volunteers, community leaders, active citizens
- Community development, recovery, resilience and social service workers and leaders
- Government officers, leaders, policy advisers and program managers
- Organisation and business leaders and social entrepreneurs
- Community organisers and teams
- People of all ages and backgrounds



## THE TEAM

A team of experienced and emerging Art of Hosting practitioners are preparing to host you and offer our experience, learning and practice. Visit the website for more details.

## IN THE WORDS OF...

*Facilitating conversations that matter is hard. And it matters more than ever now. The times call for a different kind of leadership, and despite having done lots of facilitating and lots of training in the past, The Art of Hosting arrived for me like a revelation.*

*This is absolutely the best professional development experience I have had the pleasure of participating in.*

**Kate Dezarnaulds,**  
FRRR IRCF program NSW South Coast



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‘We can choose to face the coming challenges in ways that exacerbate social harms, or we can find ways forward that allow us not just to survive, but to build the type of country and communities Australians want.’

*Australia ReMADE  
Care through Disaster Report  
2023*

## PARTICIPATORY METHODOLOGIES

The 3 day training focuses on action learning. That means we will not only explore the theory behind this innovative approach, but we'll also step into hands-on practice.

We work with these participatory methodologies: World Café, Circle practice, Open Space Technology, Appreciative Inquiry, Storytelling and more. You will also have the opportunity to learn about how Harvesting can help to make your meetings and events more tangible, productive and impactful.

## PARTICIPATION FEES

INDIVIDUAL		GROUP of 3+
• Corporate	\$1800	\$1600pp
• Standard	\$1200	\$1000pp
• Community	\$600	\$400pp

Fees include GST, tuition fees + all meals including breakfast & dinner

Our aim is to support everyone who wants to attend to be there, regardless of their capacity to pay. Visit the website for detailed information about our approach to economy.

There are a limited number of places available for this training, so please register early.

## PLACE

This is a residential training. There are affordable accommodation options for those who wish to stay on site.

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