



A Chorus of Women and the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture
invite you to a 1-day conversation

Where can the green songs grow?

Sharing perspectives on regeneration for our broken world

Wed 18 October 2017, 9.30 am – 4.30 pm

Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture (ACC&C)

Cnr Blackall Street and Kings Avenue, Barton

This conversation will bring together about 25 thinkers, artists and activists from different disciplines, walks of life, and spiritual and political perspectives. It will be a unique opportunity to explore the question of how civil society can 'grow' the sort of caring, regenerative wisdom that we know so well in our family lives but which is elusive among the noise and competing interests of politics, economics, business and organisational posturing that disastrously dominate too much day-to-day decision making in the world today.

ACC&C is an ecumenical organisation with a mission to activate 'wisdom for the common good'. A Chorus of Women sings for the same purpose. Independent of any religious or political affiliation, the Chorus mission seeks to 'give voice to matters at the heart of our communities', and to create spaces for 'honesty, clarity and wisdom' to emerge. Both organisations affirm the citizen's place in public life and have championed dialogue as a way to help understanding across different perspectives. We are partnering for this conversation to share ideas in a broader, more open and deeper way than might usually be possible in mainstream public forums about the great urgent ethical questions of our time.

Participants will be invited to submit a short (up to 500 words) response to the theme of the 1-day event (further details will be provided on acceptance). These brief reflections will be circulated before the day and discussed in the first morning session. The rest of the day will be devoted to exploring and relating the wealth of ideas towards new insights and regenerative actions. After the conversation we will invite you to recast your reflections in light of your experience in the conversation. We will publish these developed reflections, plus any overarching conclusions from the day, for wide circulation. We also hope that the event will spark further activities and networking opportunities.

Further information

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'Black dread will bloom in heart's red blood

Till green songs grow in the gaze of love'

from *The Gifts from the Furies*, by Glenda Cloughley, A Chorus of Women

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