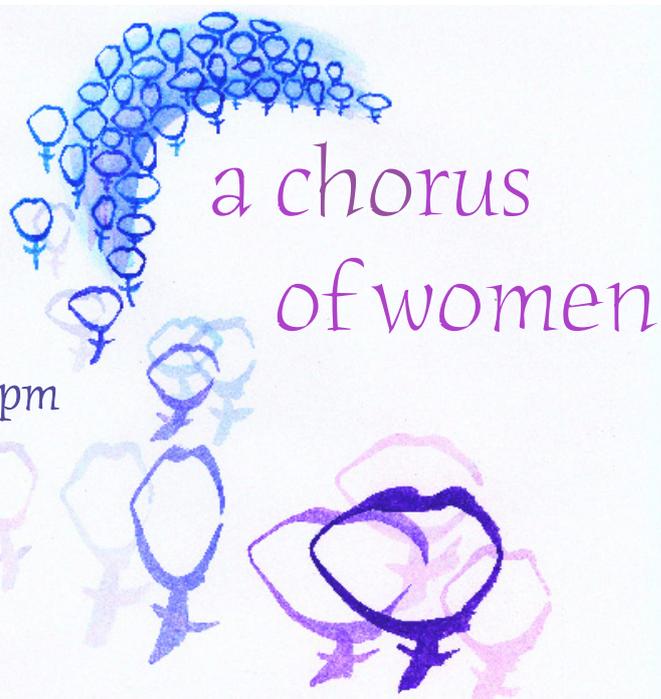


continuing our series of
**CANBERRA
CONVERSATIONS**

Sunday 28 July, 1.15 for 1.30 - 4.30 pm
Margaret Whitlam Pavilion,
National Arboretum

A Centenary of Canberra event



OUR CANBERRA

Viewing Canberra in its landscape from the new vantage point of the National Arboretum, our Centenary Canberra Conversation will be a forum for Canberrans to creatively explore experiences of who we are, and to re-imagine our 'ideal city':

Can we find our own local and regional voice that is distinct from, and complements, our national role?

How can we connect different ways of knowing, including indigenous knowledge, to co-create a common vision for the future?

How can the diverse threads of community, business, academic, artistic, public service and political life work holistically to seed and grow our future?

What might happen if we welcome and support the role of artists in providing insights that shape our identity and community ethos, alongside other types of expert, technical and community knowledge?



WILL YOU JOIN US?

For booking and contact information, see over.

'Walter Burley Griffin famously referred to the winning plan for Canberra as 'ideal city'.

WHO WILL BE THERE?

PARTICIPANTS will include Janette (Nin) Phillips. Ngunnawal elder; Alex Sloan, ABC 666 radio; David Pereira, cellist and composer; Professor Barbara Norman, ACT Climate Council and Canberra Urban and Regional Futures; Susan Helyar, Executive Director, ACT Council of Social Services; Emerita Professor Val Brown Val Brown AO, Director of the Local Sustainability Project, Fenner School of Environment and Society; Mark Spain, Chair of SEE-Change; Lyn Stephens, ANU Centre for Dialogue; Jono Crane, Alliance Austral; and many others.

FACILITATOR: Janet Salisbury; **MUSICAL DIRECTOR:** Johanna McBride

ABOUT CANBERRA CONVERSATIONS

Since 2009, A Chorus of Women has hosted nine innovative public meetings that have provided an opportunity for collaborative dialogue on a range of important issues for Canberra, primarily relating to climate change, urban development and environmental sustainability, at the same time as exploring the role of the creative arts in public discourse. Our three-hour conversations are based on the principles of dialogue, which include careful listening and exploration of different views to allow emergence of an alternative to the adversarial debate that we see in politics, the media and other public discourse. We use story and song as part of our conversations to allow emotional and ethical aspects of a topic to be voiced. These human qualities are of central importance but are not easily brought to the fore in public forums. See reports of our previous conversations at:

<http://www.chorusofwomen.org/events.htm#Conversations>

BOOKINGS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

To book email Sarah Stitt at sarahstitt@grapevine.com.au before 22 July 2013. Interested participants are advised to book early as spaces are limited to 100 so bookings may close before 22 July if this number is reached. To help us plan the event, feel free to also send us information about yourself and your ideas for the conversation in response to the above questions.

COST

This is a free event. A donation towards the cost of afternoon tea would be appreciated.

PARKING

Paid parking is available at The Village Centre (main Arboretum car park). Please allow at least 10 minutes to walk to the Pavilion (and note that the path is a bit rough so wear suitable shoes). If you need to be dropped off at door of the Pavilion or require any other assistance, please let us know.

MAP

The Pavilion and Village Centre are shown on a map of the Arboretum which can be downloaded from <http://www.nationalarboretum.act.gov.au/visit/map>

CONTACTS

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'Canberra Conversations' is the registered name for a community initiative of A Chorus of Women.

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