

# BLUE MOUNTAINS SUSTAINABILITY FORUM

## SPEAKERS FORUM TIMETABLE



### SEMINAR ROOM

Time	Speaker	Topic
10.15 - 11.45	<b>Roy Tasker</b> Resilient Blue Mountains <b>Anne Crestani</b> Resilient Villages <b>Jo Fielding</b> Springwood Neighbourhood Centre	<b>Are we prepared? Community resilience, sustainability and natural disaster.</b> Exploring the importance of sustainability for a community cut off from outside resources in the event of a natural disaster.
12.00 - 1.00	<b>Vicki Edmunds</b> Blue Mountains City Council, Community & Library.	<b>Sowing the Seeds of Change: Trailblazers in Local Food Sustainability.</b> Be inspired by a panel discussion involving 3 local social entrepreneurs leading the way in local food production. Panel: <b>Susanne Rix</b> , Edible Garden Trail; <b>Manu Prigioni</b> , Farm it Forward; <b>Rhiannon Phillips</b> , Mountains Gourmet.
1.00 - 2.00	<b>Jon Dee</b> Social entrepreneur, sustainability advocate & issues campaigner	<b>Community briefing on the 'Forever Chemicals' in our local tap water.</b> Tap water in the Blue Mountains has been contaminated by dangerous PFAS 'forever chemicals', with some local water dams shut as a result.
2.00 - 2.30	<b>Annette Cam</b> President, Blue Mountains Conservation Society	<b>Blue Mountains Conservation Society.</b> Learn how the Society ensures the Blue Mountains remains a place of natural beauty for future generations and how to get involved.
2.30 - 3.15	<b>Nina Gbor</b> Founder of Eco Styles & Sustainable Fashion Guru	<b>The Fashion TREND Mill. Curating a stylish, sustainable wardrobe.</b> Building a holistic circular clothing economy and sustainable fashion future. For anyone who wants to be super stylish and see a healthier textiles industry for the planet!

### WORKSHOP SPACE

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10.15 - 11.15	<b>Phil Spiers</b> Founder, Blue Mountains Sustainability Festival	<b>Speed dating for volunteers.</b> Ever wanted to volunteer in sustainability but are afraid to ask? In this fun session hear local community groups working in sustainability give quick fire, 3 minute pitches on why you should volunteer for them.
11.30- 12.30	<b>Brett Bond and Jamie Lovick</b> Australian Electric Vehicles Association	<b>Practical. Electrical. Sustainable..</b> A show and tell of cutting edge electric machines for your household for the betterment of our planet.
12.30 - 1.30	<b>Eric Holowacz</b> Arts & Culture Manager <b>Em Yali</b> <b>Maja Baska</b>	<b>That's not rubbish! Creativity and the waste stream.</b> Developing an Artist Residency Program with the Katoomba Resource Recovery and Waste Management Facility
1.30 - 2.30	<b>Rob Morrison</b> Blue Mountains City Council, Program Leader Waste & Sustainability	<b>Sustainability's zeros and circles.</b> Exploring some of the work Council is undertaking with Net Zero and Circular Economy initiatives, and the opportunities this creates for community action and involvement
2.30 - 3.15	<b>Lis Bastian</b> Planetary Health Initiative	<b>Blue Mountains Planetary Health Initiative.</b> Learn about this ground breaking Council initiative that supports local, community action to restore the health of our natural systems and support community health, wellbeing, resilience and hope in the face of climate change and increasing natural disasters.

### KATOOMBA LIBRARY MEETING ROOM & CHILDREN'S AREA

1.00 - 2.30	<b>Liz Barclay</b> Resilient Villages	<b>The reality of an approaching bushfire, what to do next? - 'Time to leave'.</b> Play, and sustainable activities for children.
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