

Blue Mountains Sustainability Festival

Presenter: Jen Hall

Date: 26/9/2026

Location: Dining Room, Civic Centre, Katoomba St, Katoomba

Time: 11:15 – 12:45

Topic: Stronger Together: Building Community Resilience in the Blue Mountains

Presenter Bio

Jen Hall is a Blue Mountains permaculture educator and designer who helps households and communities build resilient, low-impact living systems grounded in ecological principles. Through Permaculture Matters, she teaches practical skills in food growing, soil health, and regenerative design, empowering people to create sustainable change at home and beyond.

Presentation Precip

What makes a community resilient?

It's more than solar panels, vegetable gardens, and sustainable homes. True resilience is built through the relationships, trust, and connections that help people support one another through change and uncertainty.

Join Jen Hall from Permaculture Matters for this engaging and interactive workshop exploring how stronger communities create a stronger future. Through practical activities, group discussion, and shared experiences, you'll discover how the principles of permaculture can be applied not only to the land, but also to the way we connect, collaborate, and care for one another.

This is not a lecture—it's an opportunity to participate, share ideas, and meet others who are passionate about creating a thriving and resilient Blue Mountains community.

Together we will:

- Explore the Permaculture Ethics and their relevance to community resilience
- Discover practical ways to strengthen social connections and local networks
- Reflect on what helps communities adapt and thrive in uncertain times
- Build meaningful connections with others who care about a sustainable future

Whether you're already active in your community or simply curious about how people can work together more effectively, you'll leave with fresh ideas, new connections, and a renewed sense of what's possible when we come together.

Come curious. Share your experience. Leave feeling more connected than when you arrived.