

EARTH CHARTER FESTIVAL BRISBANE

SEPTEMBER 2010 16TH – 20TH



Seeds of Change Education Forum
Friday September 17, 2010
St Laurence's College, Stephens Road
South Brisbane, Queensland, Australia



SEEDS OF CHANGE OVERVIEW

“The Earth Charter +10 festival “Seeds of Change” educational forum is a signature event of the Department of Education and Training’s “Year of Environmental Sustainability” for all Queensland Schools. The event will celebrate whole of community approaches to sustainability by showcasing the efforts of schools, educational institutions and community organisations from across the Australia Pacific region. Workshops will include presentations from students, educators and representatives of community organisations, describing how the values of the Earth Charter have been transformed into action for a more peaceful, just and sustainable world. **For more information on the Earth Charter, visit www.earthcharter.org.au**

While more than 1000 students and educators are expected to attend the conference as part of the broader EC+10 Festival, thousands of people across Australia and the Pacific region will be able to follow the conference online via live streaming. Students and educators from remote and regional areas will be able to interact in the conference throughout the day, with the highlight occurring just before the closing ceremony with ‘1000 acts to change the world.’ More information about live streaming will be available soon.

Venue

Seeds of Change will be held at St Laurence’s College, 82 Stephens Road, South Brisbane. For more information about the facilities of the venue, please visit the [St Laurence’s College website](#)

Workshops

Workshop presentations will reflect the values of the Earth Charter and will generally explore the journey towards a whole school approach to sustainability. Presentations will also target one of the following audience streams:

Student Voice Streams – for students and teachers, run by students and teachers

- Primary Stream (9 years old to 12 years old)
- Middle Years Stream (13-15 years old)
- Secondary/Tertiary Stream (16 years and over)

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Expressions of Interest

Schools and educational institutions from across the Australia Pacific region can submit an Expression of Interest to present a workshop as part of the Seeds of Change Conference. **Expressions of Interest close on Friday July 31 – please use the attached form and return it to the conference organisers.**

School Participation

More information will be available soon as to how your school or educational institution can upload photos and videos of your journey towards sustainability.

Conference Registration Fees

To register for the conference, please [click here](#)

\$0 Free registration for Presenting teachers

\$0 Free registration for teachers attending with groups of up to 6 students

\$175 Seeds of Change Day registration

\$140 Concession Seeds of Change Day registration

\$20 Student registration

Please note that individual students will need to be registered for the conference. Please use the attached Student Registration Form and return to the conference organisers.

More information

Department of Education and Training – Activities and Events:
[Year of Environmental Sustainability for Queensland Schools](#)

[Green Cross Australia Green Lane Diary for Australian School Students](#)

SEEDS OF CHANGE PROGRAMME

8:30am Registration

- *Displays- schools, organisations, etc*
- *Exhibitions – International Day of Peace Alliance poetry and photography competition*

9:00 Opening Ceremony

- *Welcome to country – local elders, indigenous dancers, choir*
- *Conference opening introduction – Earth Charter representative – overview of keynote speakers*
- *School Video presentations – highlighting a whole of school approach to sustainability*
- *Explanation of conference technology and online hook-up around Australia-Pacific region*

9:30 Keynote Presentations

TBC – Speakers from around Australia and the Pacific region

10:30 Morning Tea (20 minutes)

10: 50-11:35 Session 1 - workshops running simultaneously

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11:40-12:25 Session 2 - workshops running simultaneously

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12:30-1:00 Lunch – time to visit displays

1:00-1:45 Session 3 – workshops running simultaneously

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1:45-2:15 1000 acts to change the world

- *Revisit ideas from workshops as part of a small group facilitated session and incorporate feedback from participating remote schools and projected on the main screen in the auditorium*

2:15-2:30 Closing ceremony

- *Thanks, declaration – overview of rest of EC + 10 festival – TBC - musical/dance performance*

2:30pm Close of conference

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM
SEEDS OF CHANGE WORKSHOP PRESENTATION
SEPTEMBER 17, 2010**

PLEASE RETURN BY CLOSING DATE JULY 30, 2010

EMAIL: education@earthcharter.org.au

FAX: (07) 3735-7638

MAIL: Earth Charter Australia Seeds of Change Forum
c/o Griffith University EcoCentre, 170 Kessels Road, Nathan, Queensland 4111, Australia

MAIN PRESENTER'S DETAILS

Name:
Place of employment/study:
Postal address:
Email address:
Contact phone number:

CO-PRESENTERS/STUDENT PRESENTERS (Maximum of 6 students)

Names:	School/Place of study:

WORKSHOP DETAILS

Notes:

1. Workshops will be presented to an audience of approximately 30 participants but this may vary according to conference registration.
2. Registration fees will be waived for all volunteer presenters.
3. Registration fees for teachers who attend the conference in support of Student Presenters will be waived at a ratio of 6 students per teacher.

TARGET AUDIENCE

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WORKSHOP ABSTRACT

Title:

Relevance to conference theme and Earth Charter values – for details visit www.earthcharter.org.au

Abstract – What might participants learn from your workshop?

Equipment needs:

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM
SEEDS OF CHANGE DISPLAY
SEPTEMBER 17, 2010**

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DETAILS OF DISPLAY CONVENORS

Name:
Organisation:
Postal address:
Email address:
Contact phone number:

DISPLAY DETAILS - TARGET AUDIENCE

Please tick appropriate options

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Details of materials to be displayed:
Relevance to conference theme and Earth Charter values – for details visit www.earthcharter.org.au
Equipment needs (tables, electricity, etc):
Area required:

STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM
SEEDS OF CHANGE EDUCATION FORUM
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