

Community Work Practice Series Workshop 2: **DISCOVERING & DEEPENING OUR PRACTICE**

About this Workshop

Have you ever wondered how to take an issue or a problem, to really hear what people are saying around the table, and then to gain collective agreement that enables movement to a plan of action?

In this workshop we will share a particular model we have found helpful in our own practice: the Spiral Model of Learning.

Community development is a wisdom: it is a craft that is refined with time, not a toolbox of tricks and steps. BUT we can work with clear processes to help us to discover, articulate, deepen and further develop our own practice while supporting community praxis (action and reflection). We can then use processes such as this, to open up some of the challenges facing us in the work.

Some of the challenges that emerged during our first workshop included:

Workshop Details

When: 28th October, 2016,
8:30am-4:00pm

Where: Caloundra Community Centre,
58A Queen Street, Caloundra.

Costs: \$170 plus GST & booking fee
(includes meals and materials).

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Registration: To register for this event
please go to
<https://www.stickytickets.com.au/43394>

- How do we do developmental work with funding for service delivery?
- How do we engage with/within bureaucracies?
- How do we engage in our own organisations as cultural change agents?
- How might we develop the practice of asking good questions, rather than having a good answer?
- How do we work with communities of faith?

We look forward to exploring the challenges of your practice in this workshop.

See overleaf for more details about who we are and what we do.

About the Workshop Series

The team at Community Praxis Co-op is offering our friends and colleagues an opportunity to explore practice questions and reflect on their experiences through a series of four community training events in 2016 and 2017. These workshops are designed to explore more effective ways of working in and with community, and to seek more creative responses to the complexity of issues in community work.

This is the second of a series of four workshops being run by Community Praxis Co-op over 2016-2017. **The workshops can be taken as a series, but also work as stand-alone training events** (in other words you can attend this workshop without having been at the previous event).

About the Facilitators

Community Praxis Co-op exists to empower people and to resource and strengthen the capacities of groups and organisations in developing peaceful, just and sustainable communities. The Co-op operates as an education, training and consultancy agency for individuals, neighbourhoods, non-government organisations, and government authorities.

As a result of our work all of us in Community Praxis Co-op hope to contribute to the reduction of exploitative competition; the expansion of productive collaboration; the celebration of the unique gifts of all people, especially those on the edge; and the equitable utilisation of our common resources.

The Co-op seeks to practice traditional co-operative principles, encouraging the development of acceptance and respect, spirituality and compassion, solidarity and participation, responsibility and competence in the individuals, neighbourhoods and organisations with whom we work.

Your team of facilitators for this event include: Dave Andrews, Howard Buckley, Tina Lathouras, Lynda Shevellar and Peter Westoby.

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