

Peter Quail Oration 2012

GREEN SPACES AND WELLBEING: SOCIAL INCLUSION VIA NATURE CONNECTIONS



Guest speaker

Associate Professor Mardie Townsend
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Associate Professor Mardie Townsend teaches in the areas of Public Health and Family and Society in the School of Health and Social Development in Deakin University's Faculty of Health. Throughout her career, Associate Professor Townsend has adopted a partnership approach to her work, undertaking collaborative research and policy development with national, state and local governments, non-government organisations and industry groups. She is currently collaborating with a range of organisations including Parks Victoria, G21, the Austin Hospital Group and the South Australian Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Her research interests include the human health benefits of interaction with nature; urban and rural contexts for health and wellbeing; social and health impact assessment; and housing and homelessness. The 2012 Peter Quail Oration will focus on the human health benefits of interaction with nature and Associate Professor Townsend's work with Parks Victoria, 'Healthy Parks – Healthy People', Geelong's 'Active in Parks' as well as the use of 'Green Scripts' by medical practitioners.

TUESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2012

Time 4:30pm–6 pm

Venue Percy Baxter Lecture Theatre, Deakin University, Geelong Waterfront Campus (Costa Hall entry off Gheringhap St). It is also planned to film the Oration for viewing on YouTube.

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