

August 1st, 2009
oases breakfast

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Shamanism
a Conversation with Nature
both Traditional and in Relation to
Contemporary Urban Ecology

With reference to a variety of anthropological work with indigenous people in Australia and elsewhere, I will discuss the contemporary western psyche and each individual's unique capacity to access the timelessly creative realms of shamanism and animism. We will also look at modern mythology and the way it composes ideas of origin, kinship (especially with the other creatures of the earth and with the earth itself), and regeneration.

Come and be inspired and challenged!

Saturday August 1
9am breakfast
Cost \$25, \$15 con.
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Oases breakfasts '09

May 2	Yoland Wadsworth	<i>Living systems theory: How can inquiry bring life?</i>
June 6	John Spooner	<i>Professional Stirrer – Political cartoonist for The Age</i>
July 4	Dr. Cristina Neesham	<i>Human and Social Progress</i>
August 1	Geoff Berry (Monash)	<i>Shamanism in Indigenous Cultures and in Relation to Modern Urban Life and Ecology</i>
Sept 5	Ian Roberts	<i>Coming Home - reflections on resistance to life</i>
October 3	Roozbeh Malekzadeh	<i>Music Poetry</i>
Nov 7	Eva Ruland	<i>The Transformative Power of Imaginary Journeys</i>
Dec 5	tba	
Feb. 5, 2010	tba	
March 9	Jan Allen	<i>Creativity and presence in everyday moments</i>

* While dates will remain the same, occasionally the speakers will be subject to change!

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