

# Convergence 2017

Get skilled up, fired up and ready to go!



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# Convergence Melbourne 2017 – Program

## FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER – Grub Food Van, 87-89 Moor Street Fitzroy

WHEN	WHAT	DETAIL
6:30pm	<b>COME ON IN!</b>	Enjoy the beautiful food and settle in.
7pm	<b>WELCOME</b>	Get a warm welcome to Convergence from our CEO Kelly O'Shannassy!
7:15pm	<b>WHAT'S IN STORE THIS WEEKEND</b>	Find out why we're here, what's in store for the weekend, and how we're going to win with Teryn Crick.
7:30pm	<b>MEET AND GREET</b>	Meet people from your community who are keen to work together to #StopAdani and #Repower Australia.
7:50pm	<b>WE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD</b>	Get fired up and ready to go with Wendy Farmer from Voices of the Valley.

## SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER – Fitzroy Town Hall, 201 Napier Street

TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
8:30am	<b>ARRIVAL &amp; REGISTRATION</b>	Welcome to Convergence! Come on in, collect your name tag and visit the coffee cart.
9am	<b>WELCOME TO COUNTRY</b>	Acknowledge and celebrate caring for country with Wurrundjeri Traditional Owners.
9.20am	<b>WELCOME TO CONVERGENCE</b>	Hear from Kelly O'Shannassy and Paul Sinclair on the many things we can look forward to this weekend.
9:45am	<b>TELLING A POWERFUL STORY OF SELF</b>	Learn about the power of storytelling with Kathryn McCallum and share your own story to motivate others to care and get involved.
11:15am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	Have a rest and a cuppa!

Find out more about the amazing trainers and speakers at [www.acf.org.au/trainers](http://www.acf.org.au/trainers)

Your marvellous facilitators are Chris Ahrens, Roberta Atherton, Taegen Edwards, Lynn Franks, Stuart Garratt, James Haigh, Suzanne Harter, Emma Horsburgh, Kel Macfarlane, Isabella Morand, Adele Neale, Deborah Patch, Maggie Riddington, Taryn Sadler, Jessica Sandral and Remy Shergill.

**SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER (continued)**

TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
11:40am	<b>HOW TO BUILD A MOVEMENT</b>	Understand the fundamentals of community organising and the role of people in making change with Max Smith.
1:10pm	<b>LEARNING FROM EXPERIENCE</b>	Hear Chloe Aldenhoven from Lock the Gate share an incredible success story of community organising and distributed networks.
1:30pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	You must be hungry!
2:20pm	<b>OUR ACF COMMUNITY</b>	Get the low down on how local groups can scale up people power and find out what we can do together with Teryn Crick.
2:50pm	<b>HOW TO MAKE GROUPS TICK</b>	Understand team dynamics and get the fundamentals on how to run an effective group with Karl Goodsell.
3:50pm	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>	Have a chat and a snack!
4:10pm	<b>HOW TO CHANGE THE STORY</b>	Find out how to tell powerful stories that change the public conversation and shift the focus to what really matters, with Tessa Fluence.
5:30pm	<b>CLOSE</b>	If you're keen, join us for a yarn, some food and drinks at the Napier Hotel across the road – at bar prices.



## SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER – Fitzroy Town Hall, 201 Napier Street

TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
8am	<b>MEDITATION</b>	Begin the day with an optional meditation session or visit the coffee cart.
9am	<b>OPENING</b>	Check in and fire up for the final day of Convergence!
9:10am	<b>HOW WE'LL WIN TOGETHER</b>	Take a walk through ACF's campaign strategy with Gavan McFadzean and find out how you can stop pollution and #Repower Australia with clean energy to protect our beautiful planet.
9:30am	<b>CAMPAIGN STRATEGY: STEP BY STEP</b>	Learn the fundamentals of good campaign strategy and how to apply them to your local campaign with Mike Pulsford.
11am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	Have a chat and a coffee!
11:30am	<b>INSIGHTS FROM A LOCAL LEGEND</b>	Hear the story of ACF volunteer extraordinaire Sharon France and how she is making change in her community.
12pm	<b>GET CREATIVE: LOCAL ACTION PLANNING</b>	In this high energy session, get organised with Livia Cullen and work together to make concrete plans.
1:30pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	Let's eat!
2:30pm	<b>GROUP PHOTO</b>	Let's show the world what people power looks like. Say cheese!
3pm	<b>CONVERSATIONS THAT MATTER</b>	Ever had a challenging conversation about global warming? Get skilled up in the art of making an effective ask with Teryn Crick.
4pm	<b>NEXT STEPS</b>	Wrap up the weekend by bringing together everything we've done and make plans for what's next with Livia Cullen and Isabella Morand.
4:30pm	<b>CLOSING CIRCLE</b>	Reflect on the weekend and celebrate the amazing things we're doing together.
5pm	<b>BYE FOR NOW</b>	Go forth and make a splash! We'll be here to support you on your journey.

#ACFConvergence  Let's get on with it!