

Urban Biodiversity Forum

Friday 19 November, 9.30am – 4.00pm
Maiden Theatre, Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney

Cost: \$95 (incl morning and afternoon tea and lunch)

Bookings: 9231 8134

9.30am	Registration
9.45am	Welcome to Country Welcome to Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney
10.00am	Peter Clarke + Taysha LeCompte WildThings, Ku-ring-gai Council WildThings is Australia's first local government translocation program. This program has a number of exciting initiatives including converting unwanted Pools to Ponds and the stingless native bee hive placement. Taysha has recently completed a macroinvertebrate study of a number of successful pool to pond conversions and will present her data at this workshop.
11.00am	Morning tea
11.30am – 12.30pm	Adam Ward & Sue Stevens GreenWay Sustainability Project The GreenWay Sustainability Project is a \$1.83 million project funded by the NSW Environmental Trust focused on working towards the vision of providing a recognisable environmental, cultural and non-polluting transport corridor linking two of Sydney's most important waterways, including the re-establishment of local provenance native vegetation in order to provide a continuous vegetation and habitat corridor.
12.30pm	Lunch
1.30pm	John Martin & David Bidwell Arboriculture & Wildlife Management, RBG Sydney Dave and John will take participants out into the Gardens to observe and discuss the management of our historic living collection in terms of urban biodiversity issues such as flying foxes and other fauna, including human impact. The 70 hectare estate contains a collection of more than 3800 trees and the Domain plays host to an annual season of large public events that attract 1 million visitors over the 3 months of summer.
2.30pm	Afternoon tea
3.00pm	Phillip Pettitt Green Street, Housing NSW and the Botanic Gardens Trust As the greatest landholder in NSW, Housing NSW has established the \$13 million Green Street Program to improve the environment around many social housing communities. This includes improved super-advanced 3 metre street tree plantings, upgraded parks and community gardens.
4.00pm	Program concludes



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