

WATERSTORIES

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MEDIA RELEASE

Australian Documentaries and the Institute for Sustainable Futures, at University of Technology Sydney have partnered for Water Stories: the first online collaborative documentary making process in the world. Water Stories is funded by the Water in The Landscape Program run by the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC) and the documentary will be directed by award winning documentary maker, Sascha Ettinger Epstein.

COLLECTIVE VOICE FOR WESTERN SYDNEY

The **Water Stories** documentary will voice water issues that are most concerning or ideas that are most inspiring to Western Sydney-siders.

The film will be submitted to film festivals around the world. And to finish with a big bang: a red carpet event will be held in **Western Sydney** to celebrate this world-first, participatory and professionally produced documentary.

ANYONE CAN BE A FILM MAKER

Starting from early April and running until the end of August, Water Stories gives anyone living in Western Sydney the chance to work on the documentary - no prior knowledge or experience required.

By visiting www.crowdtv.com.au residents can contribute and vote on documentary concepts, blog and add to discussions and work with professional producers, all the while contributing to a powerful story about *water in the landscape*.

WATER IN THE LANDSCAPE

WSROC's Water in the Landscape program seeks to raise awareness of issues surrounding water use and pollution in Western Sydney.

The Water in the Landscape program has funded over 15 locally developed projects, which seek to engage the community in water awareness through cultural activities such as art, dance, field trips and film. More on this program on www.waterinthelandscape.org.au.

FOR PARTICIPANTS

If you want to discuss water issues in Western Sydney and help create a documentary to inspire change, please visit: www.crowdtv.com.au. Participating in Water Stories is completely free of charge.

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