

WATERWHEEL WORLD WATER DAY SYMPOSIUM 2014

17-23 MARCH
WATER VIEWS: CARING & DARING

LIVE ONLINE & IN 18 NODES
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We are proud to announce the **3rd edition of WATERWHEEL WORLD WATER DAY SYMPOSIUM - 3WDS14**

hosted during the week leading up to and concluding on World Water Day, 22 March 2014.

The entire symposium will be streamed online via Waterwheel platform for audiences to watch and interact from their own computers anywhere in the world, free of charge!

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FROM 17-23 MARCH 2014, MORE THAN 200 PEOPLE FROM 5 CONTINENTS will present their latest work about water.

Children, youth, communities, TED talkers, scientists, activists and artists will interact with audience online and in 18 nodes (physical venues) in Argentina, Australia, Colombia, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Morocco, New Zealand, Poland, USA, Taiwan & Tunisia.

WATER VIEWS: CARING AND DARING is this year's theme.

The Symposium promotes exchange between people who are concerned with water issues - for a better sharing of knowledge, perspectives and governance - through Waterwheel, an online platform dedicated to water.

Created two and a half years ago, by an Australian team - Inkahoots, Igneous and Suzon Fuks, "**WATERWHEEL** responds to the global need of sharing resources around water awareness, management and celebration. It is also an online global community growing exponentially every year, as is the symposium, Waterwheel's biggest annual event" says its initiator Suzon Fuks.

3WDS14 PROGRAM composed of 42 sessions, caters for all time zones, and focuses on art, science and activism. It explores questions about how we are living, and will continue to live, with water and its contrasts. Demands for new perceptions and approaches to water management, urban planning, and cooperation, renewed respect for water as a vital resource and shared heritage are highlighted through transdisciplinary approaches.

3WDS14, FAMOUS PATRONS! Ulay, renowned artist from Slovenia - who previously worked with Marina Abramovic - will open the symposium, followed by a performance by internationally acclaimed Singaporean artist, Jason Lim.

3WDS14, AN INTERGENERATIONAL EVENT! Suzon says: "*Following feedback of last year symposium, we've initiated VOICE OF THE FUTURE to include youth participation. It has received a tremendous response for its first incarnation! Children and youth will have their say amongst adults in sessions such as Activism, Art & Science, Sea Level Rise, and Art & Ecology*". Curator Keti Haliori from Athens has done a stunning job with "Ask the Flask" project, where youth from water-scarce countries exchanged their life experiences with youth from water-abundant countries, and collaborate in making art projects.

3WDS14, AN INTERCULTURAL EVENT! To mention a few examples, a forum about "Indigenous Water Rights" will challenge us to revisit our perception of water, inline with the Aboriginal ethos of "caring for country". We will discover how image and sound of a traditional Persian Garden can help balance our urban life style in the 21st century. Two communities, one in Wellington, New Zealand and the other in Taipei, Taiwan will exchange their award winning multi-layered projects to revive their creeks, and their communities at the same time. A session about "Past & Future" water management & perception in India will feature Fullbright scholar and writer Cheryl Colopy.

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3WDS14, A LIVE FORUM! Discussions between presenters and audience online and onsite will follow every session. People will be able to comment and ask questions to leaders & experts. Indeed, for the “Visual narratives” session, our guest speaker, a TED talker, Angela Morelli, will explain how science, art and design can help to convey important ideas such as virtual water, and its imprint on food.

3WDS14, A PERFORMATIVE EVENT! Performances with dancers, musicians, sound designers, circus and live art performers, will entertain and provoke at times. *“Some will be world premieres and experiment with new mobile technology, such as “Bay Requiem” with a crew from San Francisco and “Speak 4.0 Liquid” from Buenos Aires. Two TED Fellows will exchange between continents a flurry of white paper vessels in “Ocean Synapse”. The symposium finale with the Ear to the Earth node in NY, will reach its celebratory peak with Hydrosomics Lab in a global jam by high calibre musicians”* concludes Suzon Fuks.

MORE INFO & DETAILED PROGRAMME: <http://bit.ly/3WDS14-program> (Spanish & French)

ADDRESS OF THE DAY: to view the Symposium, open your browser, go to <http://water-wheel.net/tap> & click the top-most Symposium link.
twitter: @the_waterwheel #3WD14

INTERVIEWS, PHOTOS, VIDEOS and AUDIO

Symposium Chairs Suzon Fuks (Brisbane) and Amin Hammami (Tunis), as well as each responsible of the nodes are available for interviews, see below. Photos, videos and audio on request.

KEEP WATERWHEEL TURNING: The symposium is made possible by the use of Waterwheel's videoconferencing and media mixing system, the Tap - unique on the web! The Waterwheel creative team has just launched a crowdfunding campaign to revamp the site and update the Tap! Little streams make big rivers! Help us keep Waterwheel going so more people can make and share about water worldwide!
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