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THE 6TH ANNUAL

**WORLD MATTERS FESTIVAL 2010
WRITERS - DISTURBING THE PEACE
OCTOBER 27TH, 30TH-31ST**

Venue: The Barn, Montsalvat, Hillcrest Avenue, Eltham, Victoria

Wednesday 27th October

7.00pm-8.30pm Entry \$10.00

Here on Earth : A Sustainable Future

Tim Flannery argues that we are now equipped as never before to explore our true relationship with the planet on which our biological, economic and cultural futures depend. Tim's new book *Here on Earth* is not just a dazzling account of life on our planet. It will change the way you live. Come prepared for an in depth discussion.

Supported by *Nillumbik Climate Action Now* and *Victorian Climate Action Calendar*

Saturday 30th October

Registration: 10.30am

Session 1

11.00am: Welcome Note by **Morag Fraser, AM**, Chair, World Matters 2010

11.15am – 12.45pm

Blood on My Hands

The extraordinary story of Adelaide based surgeon, **Dr Craig Jurisevic's**, experiences with the International Medical Corps during the Kosovo conflict and later at the front line with the Kosovo Liberation Army. **Maria Tumarkin**, author of *Traumascapes*, *Courage* and *Otherland*, will be in conversation with Commonwealth Prosecutor, **Elli Lewis** and publisher of *Wild Dingo Press*, **Catherine Lewis**, to unfold the anguished choices Craig had to make in the face of the savagery unleashed in this brutal war

Chair: Dr Bill Williams, Medical Association for Prevention of War

12.45pm – 1.45pm

BBQ Lunch \$15.00 (for vegetarians, too) **The Meeting Pool, Montsalvat**

Session 2

1.45pm – 3.30pm

The Pacific Solution

When we engage with the stories of the people, held under the Pacific Solution, and acknowledge our common humanity can we justify what we have done? Award winning writer **Arnold Zable**, *Sea of Many Returns*, in conversation with **Susan Metcalfe**, author of *The Pacific Solution*, discuss offshore processing and our attitudes towards asylum seekers.

Supported by *Montmorency Asylum Seeker Support Group*.

Session 3

3.45pm – 5.00pm

Prosper or Perish

Growing Australia's population poses economic, social and environmental challenges. Contributors to *Griffith REVIEW 29: Prosper or Perish*, **Peter Mares**, **Rachel Buchanan** and **David Sornig**, discuss how visionary planning can help find a balance between growth, diversity and sustainability in a shrinking world.

Chair: Erica Sontheimer

Session 4

5.15pm – 6.45pm

Fear Factor Terror Incognito

Short stories from a unique anthology born out of an Indian sub continent – Australian collaboration will be discussed by **Susanne Gervay**, **Meenakshi Bharat**, **Jeremy Fisher** and **Devika Brendon**. The stories are a protest against the phenomenon of modern terror. They do not offer solutions. Instead, they lead readers along the hidden paths of an unfamiliar psychology to make their own discoveries. Contributors include Tom Keneally, Yasmine Gooneratne, Salman Rushdie and David Malouf.

Chair: Sharon Rundle

Sunday 31st October

Session 5

10.00am – 11.30am

Country Songs

Ros Moriarty (*Listening to Country*), **John Bradley** (*Singing Saltwater Country*), **Margaret Somerville** (*Singing the Coast*) provide eloquent and moving accounts of indigenous lives lived to the rhythms of nature.

Chair: Morag Fraser

Supported by *Nillumbik Reconciliation Group*

Session 6

11.45am – 1.00pm

Swimming in the Streets: Planning for Sea Level Rise

Tim Bonyhady, Director, Centre for Climate Law and Policy, ANU, in conversation with **Morag Fraser**, AM discusses his new book *Adapting to Climate Change*

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1.00pm – 1.45pm

Picnic Lunch \$10.00 **The Meeting Pool, Montsalvat**

Session 7

1.45pm – 3.00pm

Step by Step

Titi Amaral and Jude Conway present an audio visual narrative of East Timor Women's brave stories of resistance and survival from the Charles Darwin University anthology *Step by Step*

Chair: Stephen Lavender, Diamond Valley Oxfam

Supported by *East Timor Women Australia*. Exhibition and sales of East Timor textiles in the Resident Artist's Gallery, Oct 30-31

Session 8

3. 15pm – 4. 45pm

Transit Lounge Across Cultures

Ouyang Yu, *The English Class*, **Roger Averill**, *Keeping Faith*, **Jane Carswell** *Under the Huang Jia Tree: Two Journeys in China* through story and memoir, transit lounge us across cultures of China, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea.

Chair: tbc

Session 9

5.00pm- 6.00pm

Poetry in Many Tongues

Donna Williams, *Weirdos Like Me*, **Sandy Jeffs**, *Wings of Angels*, **Robyn Rowland**, *Seasons of Doubt and Burning*, **Ouyang Yu**, **Friendly Street Poets Juan Garrido, Lilliana Rose and Yahia al-Samawy** read their poems that bear testimony to Dylan Thomas's exhortation "Do not go gently into the night..." Poems performed in Arabic, Mandarin, Spanish and English.

Chair: Julia Wakefield

6. 30pm – 7.30pm

Duende – Jazz Finale by Joe Chindamo \$15.00 tickets

This concert is a musical journey through the human condition: love (in all its incarnations), joy, sorrow, elation, despair, longing, melancholy, excitement, and even death, find their expression in these songs. Sedately introspective. Book early.

Books and cds will be available for sale and signing. A 10% discount for purchase of 5 books or more. Reading the books beforehand will ensure a lively and informed discussion during q and a.

Prepaid bookings for World Matters are essential at

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970 Main Road, Eltham 9439 8700

Entry:

October 27

Here on Earth: A Sustainable Future with Tim Flannery \$10.00

October 30 - 31

Festival Pass: \$45.00 (Does not include Tim Flannery event) Early Bird Bookings: \$35.00 (bookings by October 20th)

Students: \$25.00 Each session: \$7.00 (unless otherwise stated)

October 31 6.30pm – 7.30pm Duende Concert with **Joe Chindamo**: \$15.00

The Meeting Pool at Montsalvat offers the World Matters audience a very special menu to sustain you through the two days.

Bookings for breakfast, lunch and dinner must be made with Andrew Proctor by October 27th at 9431 2681

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