

VIKKI REYNOLDS is back!



Vikki Reynolds PhD RCC is an activist/therapist who works to bridge the worlds of social justice activism with community work & therapy.

Vikki is a white settler of Irish, Newfoundland and English folks, and a heterosexual woman with cisgender privilege. Her experience includes supervision and therapy with refugees and survivors of torture, sexualized violence counsellors, mental health and substance misuse counsellors, housing and shelter workers, activists and working alongside gender and sexually diverse communities.

Vikki teaches with VCC, UBC, Adler University and with City University of Seattle, Vancouver. She has written and presented internationally on the subjects of resistance to 'trauma', ally work, justice-doing, a supervision of solidarity, ethics, and innovative group work.

Vikki's book *Doing Justice as a Path to Sustainability in Community Work*, is available free on her website along with articles and addresses (www.vikkireynolds.ca).

BOOK NOW - 3 fantastic workshops to choose from!

Location: PARKROYAL, 30 Phillip Street Parramatta

Cost per workshop:

\$88 for members, \$148.50 for non-members

(includes morning tea and lunch)

11th July 2016: Social Justice & Community Work (PR01SJC)

12th July 2016: Trauma & Resistance (PR02TAR)

13th July 2016: Transforming Culture (PR03TRC)

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL: go to www.fwtdp.org.au

For more information contact FWTD on 9620 6172

1. SOCIAL JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY WORK: Tensions, Points of Connection and Hopeful Skepticism

In this experiential workshop Vikki invites a critique of the tenuous, strained, yet hopeful relationship between social justice activism and community work & therapy. We will address the tensions of community work replicating oppressive practices, and invite a critique of our practice with an aim to move us more in line with our collective ethics for justice-doing. We will explore the theories and practices of "Leaning In" as imperfect allies, and responding accountably to the impact of power and privilege when working in communities with people experiencing poverty, violence and oppression.

2. TRAUMA & RESISTANCE: Innovative Responses to Oppression, Violence and Suffering

In this experiential workshop Vikki offers an alternative approach to work with 'trauma', from a decolonising anti-oppression stance, which focuses on the resistance of victims of violence and oppression. Honouring the wisdom of the people we work alongside in their responses to trauma brings forward their agency and wisdom. Vikki will illustrate a witnessing approach to therapy using practice examples, structuring safety as the foundation of the work, alternative understandings of the way trauma works, and the connection of private pain with public issues.

3. TRANSFORMING Rape/Violence Against Women Culture

In this experiential workshop Vikki will address our collective work to resist and transform Rape/Violence against Women Culture. We will address the structural oppressions that create the conditions for this on-going oppression, and consider creative responses to both the people who are victimised by assault, and the people who commit these assaults. This work is informed by Bell Hooks' ideas that "Feminism is for everybody" and will address how patriarchy is complex and doesn't serve many men, especially these in marginalised locations, as well as women and gender variant people. We will discuss ethical stances for this work that hold the people who have suffered assault at the centre, alongside a call to account, responsibility and compassionate response to people who enact violence.