

# f l o o d s 101

## traumatic landscapes

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Date: **Thursday January 31st 2013**

**Time / Location:** **6:00 - 7:30 @ Spiire Melbourne**  
*Level 3 469 La Trobe Street Melbourne VIC 8007*  
**or via video conference @ Spiire Bendigo**  
*16 Bridge Street Bendigo*

**Registration:** **Bookings close 25th January 2013**

Melbourne: [www.aila.org.au/pay](http://www.aila.org.au/pay)  
Students \$10  
SV/AILA Members \$25  
Non-members \$45

Bendigo: [www.aila.org.au/rsvp](http://www.aila.org.au/rsvp)  
This is a free event for Bendigo attendees

**\*3 CPD points for AILA members**  
**Light refreshments provided**  
**limited bar tab @ Diksteins Side Bar after presentations**



*In 2011 unprecedented floodwaters hit Victoria with thousands evacuated in northern Victoria including the whole town of Carisbrook. With climate change the risk of these flood events are predicted to increase.*

**Stormwater Victoria and the AILA invite you to an insightful evening where we will explore the impact of flooding on communities and the role of designers and engineers in responding to these extreme events.**



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Bendigo  
5:30 Networking  
6.15 Presentations  
*via teleconference*



Melbourne  
5:45 Registration & networking  
6:15 Presentations



**Jenny Donovan**  
Principal, Inclusive Design

Jenny Donovan is the author of "Designing to heal: planning and urban design responses to disaster and conflict". She has been actively involved in urban design, social and environmental planning and landscape design for over twenty four years, both in research and in practice. She has a wide range of experience working in the private, public and community sectors, in Australia, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Ethiopia, Kosovo and Sri Lanka. She has a particular interest in addressing social exclusion and inclusive design processes.

Jenny will explore the relationship that people have with their surroundings and the profound disruption to people's lives that can occur when that relationship is abruptly and often violently changed; when the familiar settings for their lives are destroyed and family, friends and neighbours are displaced, incapacitated or killed and a community's social and physical infrastructure no longer functions. She will outline the characteristics of the built environment and the processes of design that may facilitate people to travel as smoothly as possible down their personal road to recovery. Her approach highlights the importance of thinking about urban and landscape design as a way of nurturing hope and creating the optimal conditions to achieve social objectives.



**David Sutcliffe**  
General Manager Technical Services  
Central Goldfields Shire Council

David is the General Manager of Technical Services at the Central Goldfields Shire Council located in central Victoria. He has 20 years of local government experience working with the City of Casey, Baw Baw Shire, Central Goldfields Shire, and the former City of Sandringham. David also has extensive private business experience including as a Director of HDS Australia Pty Ltd. As Director of Technical Services (Shire Engineer) at the Central Goldfields Shire Council, David is responsible for the technical functions of the organisation including engineering planning, design and civil construction and maintenance. He is also responsible for Planning and Building Departments within the council.

In September 2010 and January 2011 Central Goldfields Shire Council suffered devastating floods which resulted in around 300 houses being inundated and widespread damage to roads, bridges and Council assets to the value of 28 million dollars. Repairing the wide spread damage is what engineers are trained to do, but helping a damaged community move forward is a new experience and one there is no manual for. David will talk about the journey of recovery from the floods to today.



**Alexandra Lee**  
Senior Associate, Spiire

Alexandra's experience, spanning over ten years in Australia and the Netherlands, includes key involvement in the water industry, participation in the Water Sensitive Cities Study Tour (2009) and developing a close relationship with Melbourne Water. Alexandra is passionate about Water Sensitive Urban Design and developing pragmatic designs that consider public amenity and fundamental sustainability principles.

Alex will present an international case study from the Study Tour of The Netherland's 'Room for the Rivers' Program, a national program which sets out to reconfigure urban and rural landscapes to allow rivers to flood safely.

**7:30 Networking & drinks**  
*Diksteins Side Bar 470 Little Lonsdale Street*

