

Community Colleges Australia 2022 Annual Conference



Mid North Coast
Community College Ltd.

WORKSHOP

Making Space for a Community of Belonging in COVID & Climate Crisis Times

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Learning Objectives of this Workshop

- To learn how ACE providers can create more effective hands-on practical & creative learning experiences for community members, which will add to their shared skills for local resilience, adaptability & renewal (RAR);
- To learn how to adapt accredited and non-accredited VET courses so they can be better applied, in ways that are relevant to building the RAR skills above; and
- To learn the governance & management approaches required to create more flexible ACE operations at the local level, to achieve RAR skills across the ACE workforce and community.



Creating hands-on renewing ACE experiences

- Creating your own MakerSpace for firing up Creativity
- Knowing what people need and desire for reviving spirits, refuelling energy, and rebuilding collaborative communities
- Partnering up to help each other to find creative inspiration for renewal
- Building place-based, practical support for Environmental Emergencies (Fires, Floods, Drought, Oceans Rising) and Isolation (Remote).
- Longer-term relationship-building sustaining support



Examples

- Shed Talks
- Head Heart & Hands
- Creative Arts & Crafts Gatherings
- Combining Ages for Transgenerational Fun
- Using Crises to break down barriers to share Grief, Loss and Shame
- Partnering up with other NGOs, Local Govt & Health agencies to create new Events



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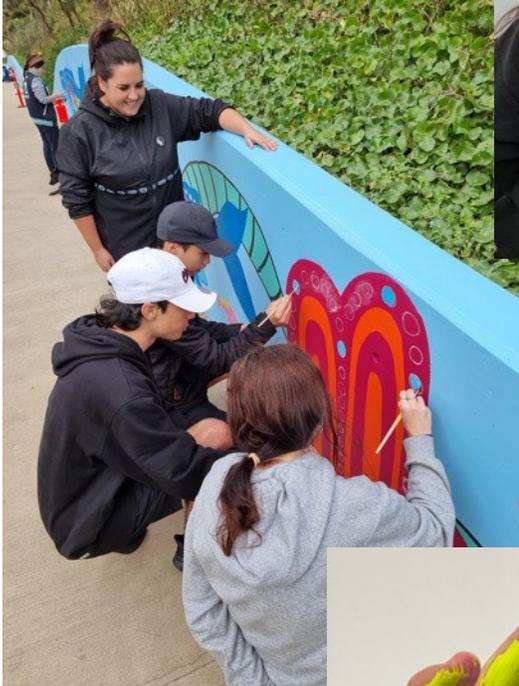
Adapting VET in Creative Ways



- Adapting accredited and non-accredited VET courses so they can be better applied, in ways that are relevant to building the RAR skills (Resilience, Adaptability & Renewal)
- Choose units relevant to the Lived Experience of your participants, not just “off the shelf” VET courses
- Tailor teaching & learning to suit local conditions (which may be in crisis thru natural disasters), and give the learners leading roles in running the hands-on, creative activities



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Examples

- LifeSkills Express Program provides fun and engaging creative activity around the continuing development of LLN&D
VET Content:
Counting, sorting, measuring, reading and following instructions
Recognising signs & symbols in WHS context
- Creative Arts & Crafts
VET related content
Business, Digital Literacy.
- Basic Woodworking Skills
VET related content
Workplace Health & Safety, Use of Hand tools
- Trauma Informed SEWB Programs





Governing for Creative Outcomes

- Creative Governance & Management approaches to create more flexible ACE operations locally, to achieve RAR skills
- Find Board members with the skills to network locally and recruit new allies
- Visit places of interest and offer Training & Development to Board members to build skills
- Leasing the MakerSpace “on spec” to have a go at running practical, hands-on, creative programs for all ages & stages, and listen to whoever turns up
- Finding partners within Local Council, other NGOs, Health, Education & Businesses to try new things
- Seeking Board-level liaison with other colleges, special assistance high schools etc





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