



A symposium convened by the Religion and Society Research Cluster, School of Social Sciences and Psychology, Western Sydney University & The Australasian Pentecostal Studies Centre, Alphacrucis College.



"Pentecostal Charismatic Christianities in Oceania" Symposium

Keynote speaker: Dr. Debra McDougall (University of Melbourne)

"Crashing waves: The transnational force of Pentecostal and Charismatic Christianity in Oceania and beyond"

17 - 18 August, 2018
Alphacrucis College, Parramatta

Debra McDougall is a Senior Lecturer in Anthropology at the University of Melbourne, author of *Engaging with Strangers: Love and violence in the rural Solomon Islands* (2016, Berghahn), and co-editor (with Matt Tomlinson) of *Christian Politics in Oceania* (2013, Berghahn). McDougall tracks the way that Christian narratives and theologies shape the way that ordinary people make sense of their past and envision their futures in Oceania, arguably the most Christian region on earth.

Symposium Theme

This symposium will explore the growth, movement and influence of Pentecostal Charismatic Christianities in Oceania. It will consider PCCs as a powerful cultural force within Australasian and Oceanic communities and their role in reconfiguring spatial, social, political and cultural relationships. While the causative influences of PCCs in Oceania are contemplated, the symposium will also look at the overarching cultural, economic and political milieus in which PCCs are embedded. Additionally, a consideration of PCC's broader transnational scope of influence will enrich this cross-cultural and interdisciplinary dialogue.

This call for papers seeks authors on topics which include the connections between PCC in Oceania and:

- Historical developments
- Transnational networks
- Settler colonial/Postcolonial studies
- Missionary activities
- Cultural translation, negotiation, adaptation
- Politics in Oceania and beyond
- Media, music, Information Communication Technologies
- Branding and marketing
- Late modernity and global capitalism
- Material culture and lived experiences
- Aesthetics and embodied practices
- Social justice movements/activism
- Migration and (im)mobility
- Gender, class, ethnicity
- Youth cultures

Expressions of Interest should include a title, abstract (up to 250 words) and short bio.

Eoi must be received by 30 April, 2018

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