



Library Design

Creating Spaces to Support Future Communities

7 February 2019

The Boulevard Centre, 99 The Boulevard, Floreat

Presented by PLWA

Event program

Session details and speakers

8.30am Registration and check in

9.00am Welcome by PLWA President, Viv Barton, Town of Cambridge Mayor, Keri Shannon

9.15am First steps to space and building design

Alina Behan & Wayne Stuart, City of Swan; Russell Kingdom, City of Fremantle

10.15am Morning tea sponsored by Resource Furniture

Michael Merlino will be available at the Resource Furniture demo stand to discuss your library fitout needs.

10.30am Introduction to co-design - Anne Goodall, Knowledge Society

Co-design – collaboratively designing services – can help library services close the gap between what they do and what their customers and communities want and need. This workshop will provide an overview of what co-design is and what it's not, along with tips on how to avoid some common pitfalls of using this approach. You will gain hands-on experience using a few co-design methodologies, to add to your professional toolkit.



12.45pm Lunch at own expense, Cambridge Outdoor Forum

1.30pm The intrinsic value of libraries as public spaces
Emerald Leung, Civica

The UTS Institute for Public Policy and Governance (UTS IPPG) was engaged by Civica Libraries to undertake research about the value of libraries as public spaces. The research informed a new report from Civica Libraries, 'The Intrinsic Value of Libraries as Public Spaces'.

2.00pm Design and build possibilities
Miranda Ellis, Mantric Architecture

Mantric Architecture is a Melbourne based architectural company that specialises in Local Government projects. Miranda Ellis is Mantric Architecture's lead interior designer and she has led all the library projects undertaken by the office. Miranda will be discussing the opportunities and challenges of the typical Design process and ways to ensure the continuation of the vision generated through an early co-design process beyond the initial briefing stage.

2.30pm Inspiration for transforming space
Michael Merlino, Resource Furniture

The needs of library spaces are significantly changing but in order to keep up, designing a new or refurbished library space does not need to be a daunting or lengthy process. Michael will lead us through factors to be considered and innovative solutions to be delivered.

3.00pm Break

3.15pm Panel Q&A -
Chair Deb Summers, Vice President PLWA
Panel: Emerald Leung, Civica ; Miranda Ellis, Mantric Architecture; Michael Merlino , Resource Furniture

4.00pm Address and closing