

# LANDSCAPE DESIGN FOR CHILDREN'S WELLBEING

LANDSCAPE IN SCHOOLS - A 'CHILDREN-FIRST' APPROACH



A ONE DAY SEMINAR - FRIDAY 16TH MAY 2025  
IN PERSON & ONLINE



## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**6 hours of Professional Learning Certificate provided for Attendees.**

**Teachers** - contributes to the Domain of Professional Practice - create and maintain supportive and safe learning environments.

**Landscape Architects** - Approved 6 AILA CPD points.

**Architects** - informal CPD. Category: Events, tours and conferences. Description: Attending design lectures and seminars

## BOOK TICKETS THROUGH EVENTBRITE

A forum for discussion and information, in a lovely venue and with great food. Topics will cover:

- 'Children First' schools
- Sensory health and self regulation in school play areas
- Design for play in schools and early learning
- An introduction to grant writing

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# PROGRAM

## REGISTRATION

## TEA & COFFEE

8:30-9:00 AM

### Bruce Grillmeier

Director -  
Jeavons Landscape  
Architects

### A Brief Welcome (and MC for the day) 9:00-9:10 AM

- Introduction
- Housekeeping

### Sigi Hyett

CEO -  
Northern School Early  
Years Cluster Inc.

### An integrated approach – Continuity of learning with a child centred

**approach:** What does it mean to place children at the centre of all decision-making in schools and kindergartens?

## MORNING TEA

10:00-10:15 AM

### Mary Jeavons

Director -  
Jeavons Landscape  
Architects

### Design for play in schools

- Consulting children- what they show us about their play at school
- Planning school grounds for diverse ages, abilities and interests
- Design issues in difficult spaces

10:15-11:30 PM

### Debby Maziarz

Creative Director -  
Debby Maziarz  
Productions

### Introduction to grant writing

- Where's the money?
- Eligibility
- What is a 'fundable project'?
- Partnerships
- Tips for a great grant application

11:30-12:30 PM

## LUNCH

12:30-1:30 PM

### Angela Tieman

Occupational Therapist -  
Sensory Health Matters

### Sensory health, self-regulation and the design of school play areas

1:30-2:15 AM

### Linda Hyett

Teaching and Learning  
Coach -  
Northern School Early  
Years Cluster Inc.

### The environment as the third teacher: 2:15-3:00 PM

Creating outdoor spaces that respond to the local context in kindergartens and schools

## TEA & COFFEE

3:00-3:15 PM

### Mary Jeavons

Director -  
Jeavons Landscape  
Architects

### Play Structures in schools

Designing structures to deliver the best play value on crowded sites

3:15-3:45 PM

## PLENARY / CLOSE

3:45-4:00 PM

# PRESENTERS



## MARY JEAVONS

Director - Jeavons Landscape Architects

Mary Jeavons is a Registered Landscape Architect with over 30 years' experience in landscape planning and design and the design of play spaces. She is a Fellow of the Institute of Landscape Architects. Mary is a representative on the AS Standards Committee CS5 for playground safety, and has a sophisticated understanding of the practical implications of safety standards on children's play environments. She is a regular speaker at conferences and seminars both within Australia and overseas.



## SIGI HYETT

Chief Executive Officer - Northern Schools Early Years Cluster Inc.

A passionate Early Childhood Professional with over 30 years experience who has worked in diverse settings, including, schools, non for profit, local government, community health and business sector. Sigi is the CEO of Northern Schools Early Years Inc. and a board member of Community Child Care. Sigi has experience in various early years settings including Early Years Management, has supported integrated service delivery and steered the delivery of numerous children's refurbishments and rolled out funded 15 hour of kindergarten across multiple services.



## DEBBY MAZIARZ

Creative Director - Debby Maziarz Productions

Debby Maziarz is a community development practitioner and creative entrepreneur who mentors artists, organisations and communities to create solid plans for resourcing their work. Renowned for unearthing innovative and 'fundable' ideas, Debby is driven to build the capacity of communities to get their important work done. She's also got a great track record in sourcing funds – including founding Melbourne's Westside Circus and Debby Maziarz Productions.



## ANGELA TIEMAN

Occupational Therapist - Sensory Health Matters

With over 18 years of experience in both the United Kingdom and Australia, Angela is passionate about the crucial link between sensory integration, active play, social-emotional development, and learning. She believes that sensory processing and integration are foundational to health, wellbeing, and academic success. Angela is dedicated to helping educators understand the unique role our senses play in supporting development and how intentional playground design can enhance sensory regulation, directly impacting learning and overall growth.



## LINDA HYETT

Teaching and Learning Coach - Northern Schools Early Years Cluster Inc.

I am an experienced early childhood teacher, educational leader and mentor with over 30 years' experience in education. As a Teaching and Learning Facilitator at NSEY, my focus is on coaching and mentoring educators across our services to build their capacity to deliver the highest quality education and care for all children. I have a particular interest and expertise in creating rich learning environments that act as the "third teacher" to engage children and scaffold their learning, as well as in using nature pedagogy as a way to deepen children's connection to the world around them.





# TICKETS & REGISTRATION

In person and online attendance available.

**BOOK TICKETS THROUGH EVENTBRITE**

**GENERAL ADMISSION \$260**

Ends 12/05/2025

**GENERAL ADMISSION GROUP BOOKINGS OF 5 OR MORE \$210**

Ends 12/05/2025

**LIVE ONLINE ADMISSION \$125**

Ends 15/05/2025

**STUDENT ADMISSION \$50** (Limited places available)

Ends 12/05/2025

All ticket types will have access to recordings from each session.  
Recordings will be available from 26/05/2025.

If you have any questions please contact our event organiser  
Bruce Grillmeier: [events@jeavons.net.au](mailto:events@jeavons.net.au)



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