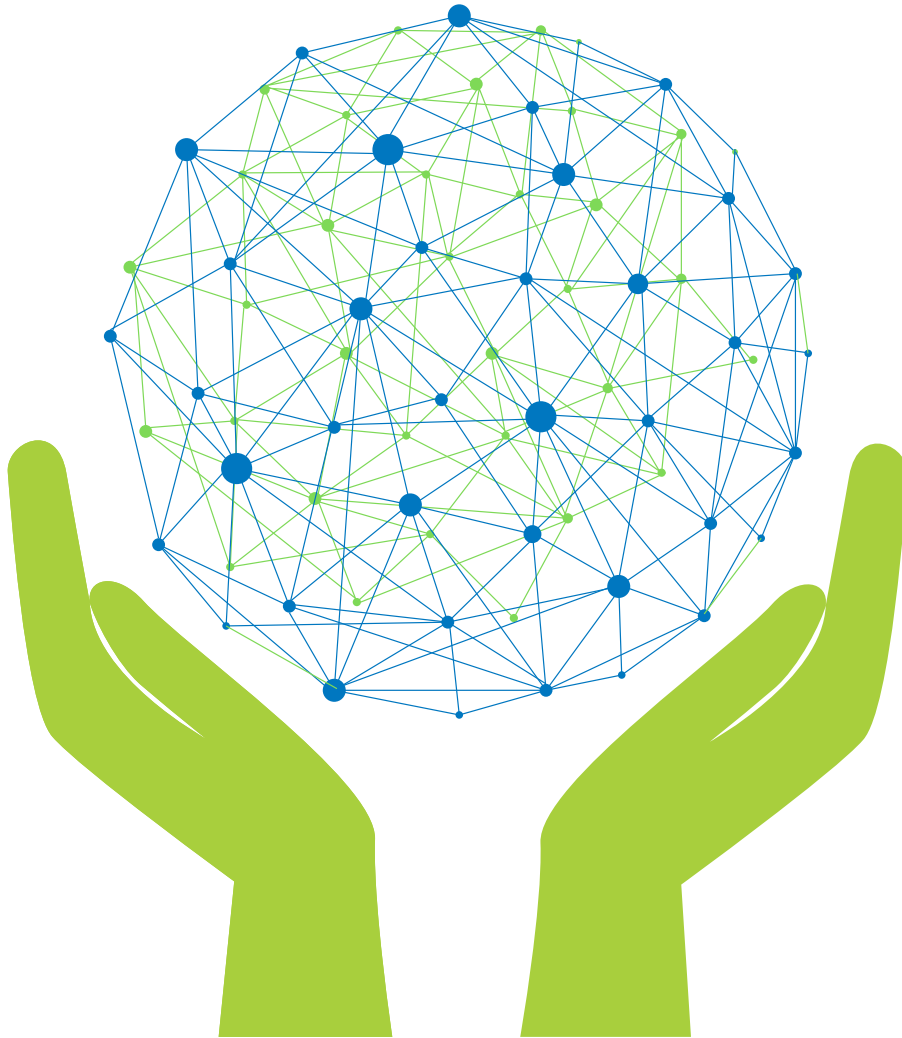


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Tasmanian Youth Sector SYMPOSIUM

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9th SEPTEMBER 2021: HOBART TASMANIA



Program

8:00am Registrations

8:45am Welcome and Housekeeping

Jane Longhurst, MC

9:00am Acknowledgement of Country

Tyenna Hogan, young palawa woman

9:10am Official Opening of 2021 Symposium

Simone Zell, Chair, YNOT

Sarah Courtney MP

Minister for Children and Youth, Minister for Education, Minister for Skills Training and Workforce Growth, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Hospitality and Events

Gold Sponsor, Aurora Energy

Andrew Crozier, Chief Product & Customer Officer

9:30am What's youth work, what's a code of practice and why does it matter?

Dr. Tim Corney PhD, Associate Professor, College of Education at Victoria University and Principal Research Fellow and Discipline Leader of Youth and Community Research

10:10am Open Forum: How do we define youth work in Tasmania, and do we need to revisit our code of ethics?

10:40am Morning refreshments

11:00am Youth driven service design and delivery

Leanne McLean, Commissioner for Children & Young People Tasmania

11:30am Youth Panel Discussion: 'Work with us' co-designing the future with youth

12:15pm Tasmanian Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy

Mel Gray, Executive Director, Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy, Communities Tasmania

12:45pm Lunch and trade exhibition

1:30pm Getting it Right! A common tool to support youth mental health assessments and appropriate referral

*Connie Digolis, CEO, Mental Health Council of Tasmania
Archi Anil, Lead Health Care, Primary Health Tasmania*

2:15pm Lightning Talks

2:45pm Afternoon refreshments

3:00pm PERMA perspectives: a conversation in wellbeing

*Lisa Amerikanos, Associate Teaching Fellow, University of Tasmania
Amy Williams, Associate Teaching Fellow, University of Tasmania*

3:50pm Reflections and wrap up

Tania Hunt, CEO, YNOT

4:00pm Close



Speakers



Simone Zell

Chair, Youth Network of Tasmania

Simone arrived in Tasmania as a new social work graduate 23 years ago. Since then she has explored the wild and deliciousness of Tassie, jointly raised two girls, and worked as a youth worker, policy maker and manager, spanning community and government agencies.

Her interests are working in communities, building relationships for systems change and good governance, putting policy into practice, and working collaboratively across sectors using creativity and kindness. Simone currently works as Manager of Community Sector Development at TasCOSS.



Hon. Sarah Courtney MP

Minister for Children and Youth, Minister for Education, Minister for Skills Training and Workforce Growth, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Hospitality and Events

Sarah Courtney was elected to the Parliament of Tasmania in March 2014, representing the seat of Bass. After the 2018 election the Premier appointed Sarah to Cabinet where she now serves as Minister for Education, Minister for Skills, Training and Workforce Growth, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Children and Youth and Minister for Hospitality and Events. Sarah has also served as Minister for Health, Small Business, Women, Resources, Building and Construction, Primary Industries and Water and Racing.

Sarah believes that access to education and training is essential to achieving career aspirations, and her decision to nominate to represent her community was driven by a strong desire to deliver a positive future for all Tasmanians.

Prior to her involvement in Parliamentary service, Sarah worked for almost a decade in the finance industry, including with ING Investment Management, JB Were and ABN AMRO.



Andrew Crozier

Chief Product & Customer Officer, Aurora Energy

Andrew joined Aurora Energy in October 2019 to lead the Aurora+ business unit. As the accountable executive for this space, Andrew is tasked with supporting his team in the reimagining of the energy experience for all Tasmanians and is focused on developing a customer-centric approach to building our new capability.

In his role, Andrew is responsible for how we evolve our engagement with customers, how we best service their transactions with us, how we develop products that are aligned to their unmet needs and how we develop our technology to be an enabler for our future ambitions. In addition, Andrew is also accountable for how we develop our relationship with our community partners.

With over 15 years' experience working across Europe and Australia, Andrew has held senior roles in organisations large and small and has worked across industries such as software, financial services, health insurance, and digital marketing services. With a big passion for building and developing products and services that make a real impact on customers, and also deliver great returns for the business, Andrew is motivated by a desire to always exceed expectations and to look for ways to wow our customers by creating exceptional experiences.



Dr Tim Corney PhD

Associate Professor, College of Education at Victoria University and Principal Research Fellow and Discipline Leader of Youth and Community Research

Dr Tim Corney is a qualified youth and community worker and worked for many years in face to face youth work and management of youth services with at risk young people. He is the author of the Victorian Youth Sector Code of Ethical Practice and the Commonwealth International Code of Ethical Youth Work. He is a founding executive member of the professional Youth Workers Association and currently its deputy chair.

He is an Associate Professor in the College of Arts and Education at Victoria University, and convenor of the Youth and Community Research group. He has been a Senior Fellow in the Youth Research Centre at the University of Melbourne, a former Dean of Queen's College and a former Fellow of the John Cain Foundation, and Director of the NGO Youth Development Australia and consultant to the Commonwealth of Nations Youth Development Program. He has lectured in youth and community work and youth studies for over 30 years at numerous universities in Australia and overseas. His current research is funded by the Victorian state Government and is focused on the health and wellbeing of hard to reach groups of young people.



Leanne McLean

Commissioner for Children and Young People (Tasmania)

Leanne McLean is a Tasmanian from the deep south of the state. She was appointed Tasmania's Commissioner for Children and Young People in November 2018. Her role is to promote the rights and wellbeing of Tasmanian children and young people—including ensuring that their rights are considered and respected by adults when making decisions that may affect children.

Leanne has a wealth of experience as a leader in social policy development, including working at the coal face with young people and in senior public service and government advisory roles. As Commissioner, her work to date includes instigating the Tasmanian Government's strategy to improve the wellbeing of Tasmania's children and young people, establishing mechanisms for children and young people to have a say in matters that are impacting on them, working with young Tasmanians across the state to influence the development, implementation and communication of policies which affect them, and empowering them to shape their own future.

Leanne is passionate about providing a voice for children and young people, believes strongly in the transformative power of education and early intervention, and the value of every young person in shaping the future of Tasmania.



Mel Gray

Executive Director, Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy, Communities Tasmania

Mel has responsibility for Aboriginal Affairs, the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy and the Prevention of Family and Sexual Violence for the Department of Communities Tasmania.

Mel has 20 years' experience in State Government policy making and leads policy innovation and change for governments including establishing the nation's first place branding statutory authority, Brand Tasmania; amending the Tasmanian Constitution to recognise Tasmanian Aboriginal people as Tasmania's First People and most recently developing Tasmania's Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy. Mel is the State Government sector member on the 26TEN Coalition to advance clear communication and address adult literacy in Tasmania and the B4 Early Years Coalition supporting children, from pregnancy to 4 years of age, and their families.



Connie Digolis

CEO, Mental Health Council of Tasmania

Connie Digolis is the CEO of the Mental Health Council of Tasmania (MHCT). Connie brings to her role a wealth of experience in population health and preventative health strategy, community sector management, advocacy, health promotion and policy. Connie is a leading voice advocating for mental health system reform, providing solutions to support the mental health and wellbeing needs of all Tasmanians.

MHCT is a member based peak body, representing and promoting the interests of community managed mental health services, and working closely with Tasmanian and Federal Government agencies to ensure sectoral input into public policies and programs. MHCT has an ongoing commitment to enabling better mental health care access and outcomes for every Tasmanian.

Connie is a Deputy President of the Australian Council of Social Services (ACOSS) and the Tasmanian Council of Social Services (TasCOSS). Connie also represents the community managed mental health sector on a range of Advisory and Reference Groups working collectively to transform the Tasmanian mental health system to become a truly person-centred, integrated care model providing the best mental health outcomes for all Tasmanians.



Archi Anil

Lead Health Care, Primary Health Tasmania

Archi is a Lead – Integrated Health Care at Primary health Tasmania working on several mental health service system integration projects. Archi has over 12 years' experience of working in the community sector in Tasmania which includes 4 years of contract management with Primary Health Tasmania before taking on the current role. In 2018 became a director and business partner of a private allied health practice in Hobart, with a multi-disciplinary focus on mental health.

Archi has previously worked in Migrant Resource Centre and Phoenix Centre on several projects including suicide prevention and working with young people from a multicultural background to write a position paper titled 'Our Voices Matter' in 2014.

Archi has lived and worked in three different countries including India, Caribbean Islands and Australia. Her qualifications include a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Business Management.



Nick Probert

Partnerships Practice Manager,
Colony 47

Nick is the Partnerships Practice Manager at Colony 47, a new position that will build partnerships and manage projects that assist young people on their journey towards fulfilling their potential.

With a firm belief in the power of local community and networks to do good in Tasmania – Nick is passionate about connecting people and organisations to solve our communities' toughest challenges.

A proud Tasmanian who has spent equal parts of his life on the north-west coast and in Hobart, Nick has had a diverse career background, working in Science, Sport and Education. He completed a Science degree whilst playing for Collingwood, and also holds an honours degree in Freshwater Ecology.

Nick came to Colony 47 after seven years as the State Manager of the Beacon Foundation and a successful career working with young people in a range of coaching and management positions with the AFL in Tasmania.

He is married to wife and secondary school teacher Megan and has two young children Lucas and Elsa and is an inductee in the Tasmanian Football Hall of Fame.



Lisa Amerikanos

Associate Teaching Fellow,
University of Tasmania

Lisa has an extensive work history in youth development, specifically in school to work transitions, which has seen her in communities from Groote Eylandt to the Tasman Peninsula.

In 2020, she was the recipient of the University College's Team Leadership, Innovation and Adaptation in Teaching Award and the Dean's Honour Roll for the College of Arts, Law and Education (UTAS). This year, Lisa was awarded a Teaching Merit Certificate (UTAS) for her focus on inclusive curriculum and teaching practice, particularly indigenisation of curriculum and the development of 'the learner identity'.

Committed to serving the Launceston and Tasmanian communities, Lisa has volunteered for twenty years through suicide prevention initiatives, on the board of the Youth Network of Tasmania, and now at Karinya Young Women's Service. Lisa holds a Master of Teaching, a Bachelor of Arts, Diplomas in Human Resources and Business Management, and a Certificate IV in Youth Services.



Amy Williams

Associate Teaching Fellow,
University of Tasmania

In her position as Associate Teaching Fellow at the University of Tasmania (UTAS), Amy incorporates her passion for positive psychology and a strengths-based perspective through the design and coordination of Learning at University, the foundation unit for Pre-Degree programs. With a Bachelor of Communication and Postgraduate qualifications in Education, Amy has developed an engaging and positive approach to educational delivery and outcomes.

Having worked for the last 14 years with vulnerable and complex cohorts from the Northern Territory to the UK, she recognises how important fostering authentic and positive relationships are to achieving tangible results.

A recipient in 2021 of a Teaching Merit Certificate (UTAS) for supporting self-efficacy and identity in students through constructivism, Amy is inspired to provide opportunities for individuals to see their potential and develop confidence in their abilities to succeed.



Tania Hunt

CEO, Youth Network
of Tasmania

Tania Hunt was appointed to the role of Chief Executive Officer of the Youth Network of Tasmania (YNOT) in 2018 to lead Tasmania's peak body for young people and the youth sector.

Tania previously led a multidisciplinary team in the delivery of youth specific services including psychosocial programs and community based mental health care services. She held the position of Acting Centre Manager of Headspace Hobart and has worked at the coal face with young people and adults experiencing complex mental health and substance use issues.

As YNOT CEO, Tania has been a leading voice in advocating for the establishment of the Premiers Youth Advisory Council, Ministerial responsibility for youth affairs, and ensuring that the Tasmanian Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy extended to young people aged 18-25 years.

Tania is passionate about driving positive change with young people and the youth sector in Tasmania and believes that young people should have a voice and be involved in decision making on issues important to them.





Caroline Thain

Headspace Centre Manager,
Cornerstone Youth Services

Caroline Thain is an Occupational Therapist and mental health clinician with over 16 years' experience working across the mental health sector. She works in private practice and is the current Centre Manager of headspace Launceston. Caroline and her team work in the early intervention space in providing physical and mental health services to young people, family and friends in northern Tasmania.



Conrad Gilbey

Full Gear Project Officer,
Glenorchy City Council

Conrad Gilbey is the Full Gear Project Officer at Glenorchy City Council. Full Gear is a community co-designed project addressing unlicensed, unregistered and unsafe motorbike riding. In his spare time, Conrad loves riding out to Strathgordon or Orford on his Kawasaki Versys.



Kylie Dunn

Graphic Illustrator

Kylie Dunn is passionate about helping organisations communicate in simpler and more effective ways. This includes visually capturing and presenting complex ideas through graphic scribing, illustration and explainer videos. These methods are designed to help you make events and information more interesting and engaging — improving your impact and influence.

Youth Panel

Tyenna, 21 (she/her)

Tyenna is a proud palawa and bundjalung woman who as well as being on the panel will perform the Acknowledgment of Country for the Symposium.

Region: Southern Tasmania/lutruwita (nipulana/Hobart)

Areas of interest: social justice, youth empowerment, and access to mental health services

Kiara, 21 (she/her)

Region: Northern Tasmania

Areas of interest: mental health, homelessness, supporting vulnerable people and people living with disabilities, and advocating for carers, specifically young carers

Mehdi, 19 (he/him)

Region: Northern Tasmania

Areas of interest: sport and activities, socialising, communication, youth services

Dan, 16 (they/them)

Region: Southern Tasmania

Areas of interest: social justice and rural/regional youth services, especially the areas of transport, queer services, accessibility and mental health

Susannah, 21 (she/her)

Region: Southern Tasmania

Areas of interest: mental health and access to mental health facilities, disability in regards to Tasmanian young people, Aboriginal affairs and LGBTQIA+ matters

Taso, 15 (he/him)

Region: North West Tasmania

Areas of interest: mental health and wellbeing, social inclusion, cultural diversity, equality and music

An introvert's survival guide

It's ok to take some time out!

Networking events can be a noisy and confronting experience. But it's ok to take some time out when you need it. Feel free to take a walk outside and return when you are ready.

Plan your self-care during the Symposium

When you arrive at the Symposium, check the program and plan your time-outs in advance. There will be ample opportunities to breathe, stretch your legs, go for a walk outside or just sit quietly. This will help to recharge your batteries to engage in the rest of the day.

It's up to you how you network

There's more than one way to network and share your ideas. If you're not comfortable with face-to-face interactions, there will be opportunities to communicate in other ways. Slido will be available throughout the day as well as posters in the exhibition area to jot down your thoughts. If you've decided that your goal for the day is to listen and learn from Symposium speakers, then you can do that too! Engage on your own terms.

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We're here to help

If you need help finding the people that you would like to connect with, speak to a YNOT team members or a YNOT Board member and they will introduce you.

Above all, we want the Symposium to be a fun, rewarding and memorable experience for you. The day is all about you, so participate at your own pace, engage in ways you are comfortable with, be curious and willing to learn something new, look after yourself and enjoy Tasmania's largest youth sector networking event.

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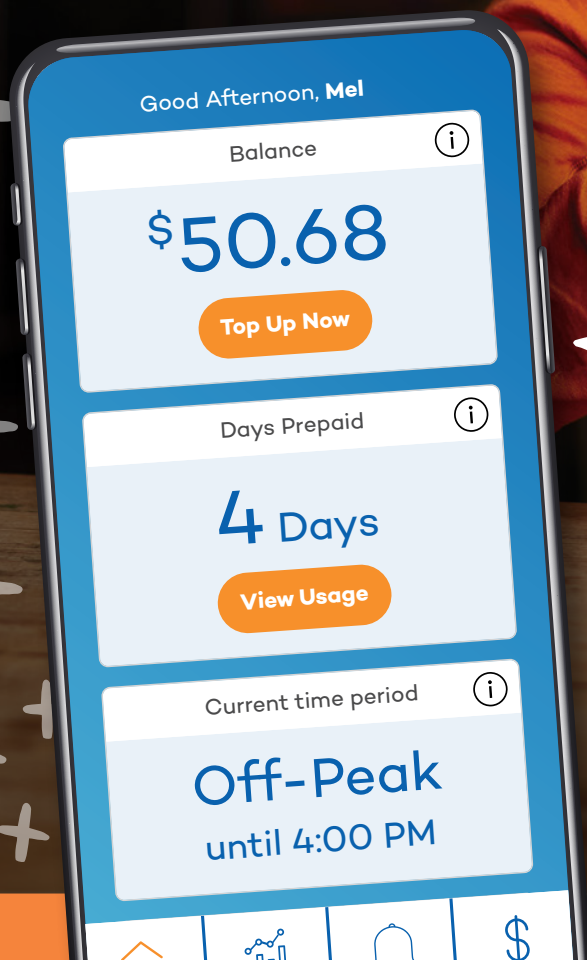
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