



Many Hands International
culture based community development



Engaging communities through theatre

Two day professional development workshop

Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 July, 9.30 - 4.30 pm

Campus Lyceu, Faculty of Education, UNTL

Presented by Many Hands International and Ba Futuru, in partnership with Victoria University's Conference Knowledge, Attitudes and Skills for Timor-Leste's Development

This workshop will inspire and inform you to:

- develop an understanding of the relevance of the arts to the community sector
- learn accessible, effective and interactive methods for working with groups
- identify and explore issues through a creative process
- use theatre as a way of connecting the community
- take risks with respect and safety in mind

This exciting two day workshop promises new information, opportunities for skill development, networking opportunities and fun. It will be of interest to people working in government, education and non-government organisations (project workers, co-ordinators, managers and teachers) actors, directors, artsworkers, who are interested in engaging communities through theatre. National and international delegates are welcome.

Workshop leader: Accomplished Australian community theatre director Catherine Simmonds



has won an Asialink residency to visit Timor and contribute her skills as a theatre maker. Catherine is the Artistic Director of Brunswick Womens' Theatre in Melbourne, Australia and has worked in community theatre for more than 20 years, including time spent with Augusto Boal in his *Theatre of the Oppressed* in Brazil. Catherine's work has powerfully addressed some of most pressing issues of our time including changing futures for indigenous people, intercultural relationships, identity and direction for young people, changing values across generations, trafficked women and domestic violence. Find out more from http://manyhands.org.au/our_activities/

Catherine will speak in English but simultaneous translation between Tetun and English will be provided.

This event is free, but places are limited.

Please register to ensure your place by Thursday 30 June

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