



Guest Speaker

Professor Ros Taplin

Environmental Management, Bond University

Responding to Climate Change through the Visual Arts

In 1985, scientists from twenty nine countries linked greenhouse gases to climate change. Driven by both aesthetic and activist goals, visual artists and curators have responded strongly to the issue.

Over the last decade, visual art responses have raised questions of ethical and anthropogenic responsibility, as well as exploring oil, energy and science themes.

One compelling aspect is contemporary artists' interpretation of the language of political responses to climate change, in particular the massive amount of words generated in emails, agendas, speeches and scientific reports.

Professor Ros Taplin will present examples of climate change art that incorporate this generated text, recent Australian and international art exhibitions, and show examples of climate change art.

Professor Ros Taplin has over 20 years experience as a researcher and consultant in the fields of international and domestic environmental management and climate change policy and is also a local Gold Coast artist.



Wednesday 24th August, 2011 | Gecko House
6.30–8pm | 139 Duringan St, Currumbin

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All are welcome to this free* presentation

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