

APW PERMACULTURE DESIGN CERTIFICATE

2017 PROGRAMME INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in the Auckland Permaculture Workshop (APW) Permaculture Design Certificate (PDC). This document provides detailed information about the 2017 PDC programme. We encourage all participants to read this document prior to registering for the programme.

PERMACULTURE DESIGN CERTIFICATE

A PDC is an internationally recognised qualification. The original PDC format is a 72-hour residential intensive educational programme. A Modular PDC distributes the same content and material over a series of evenings, days or weekends. This provides participants with greater flexibility and opportunity to familiarise themselves with content material, integrate and synthesise new knowledge with existing understanding and experiences and develop a more detailed design project.

The APW PDC uses the modular format and draws together emerging strands from permaculture and other disciplines to provide an Auckland specific bioregional design education programme.

- APW issue a Permaculture in New Zealand (PiNZ) accredited PDC
- To attain an APW PDC participants need to complete a minimum of nine of the twelve workshops and a design project of their choosing.
- The design project is an opportunity for participants to apply what they have learned to a personal and meaningful project

PAYMENT FOR THE FULL COURSE INCLUDES:

- Attendance to 12 full day workshops over the calendar year
- A PDC programme folder
- Detailed pre-workshop information about each workshop
- Relevant readers and reference material for each workshop
- Handouts for each workshop
- Post workshop slideshow and reference material after each workshop
- Permaculture design project mentoring
- Two design project presentation days

WORKSHOPS

The 2017 programme runs from February to November on the following Saturdays:

Philosophy and Design	11 February
Landscape Design	4 March
Built Environment	18 March
Living Communities	08 April
Tree Crops	20 May
Appropriate Technology	17 June
Urban Design and Living	15 July
Resources and Redefining Waste	19 August
Economics for People	16 September
Fertile Gardening	30 September
Empowerment and Resilience	14 October
Living Locally in the Auckland Bioregion	18 November

The PDC combines classroom work with site visits and practical activities. Some workshops are predominantly ‘classroom’ based while others are run primarily ‘in the field’. All workshop venues are located as close to public transportation as possible and carpooling can also be arranged. Details for workshop locations will be provided closer to the time.

We ask that all participants communicate at least 24 hours prior to the start of a workshop if they are unable to attend, and prefer they do so by midday of the Thursday prior, as there are often waiting lists for our workshops.

TUTORS

Our tutors have extensive experience in permaculture design, philosophy and practice. The main tutors for the course are:

FINN MACKESY

Finn is a qualified educator, facilitator and design consultant with a passion for community empowerment and resilience. Finn has been actively involved in permaculture education, community development and facilitating change throughout Aotearoa New Zealand since 2003. His particular interests and skills are in social permaculture, the realm of social ecology, social innovation and social design. He is co-founder of Auckland Permaculture Workshop, Resilio Limited, CommonGround Community Gardens, Transition Pt. Chevalier, Grey Lynn 2030 and Our Amazing Place (formerly Pt. Chev Treasure Hunt). Finn brings to APW a thorough understanding of teaching pedagogy and practice, dynamic facilitation and accelerating learning practices, a love of human cultures and a breadth of experience and exposure to indigenous knowledge and sustainable practices from around the globe.

GARY MARSHALL

Gary is a passionate designer who discovered permaculture through his ongoing investigations into all things design. Gary is a permaculturalist, landscape architect and educator. He works with a number of organisations including lecturing landscape architecture at Unitec Institute of Technology and AUT where he teaches and co leads a range of papers on design, sustainability and social innovation. He is co-founder of Auckland Permaculture Workshop, Grey Lynn 2030, and Resilio Limited. Gary brings to APW an extensive understanding and working knowledge of landscape design, urban design, design history and theory, landscape ecology, permaculture, water sensitive design and design education.

RON SPERBER

Ron Sperber is an environmental educator and consultant with a passion for hands on permaculture practice – both in ‘doing’ and teaching. After seeing the impact of consuming the planet through the lens of his work in the tourism industry, Ron found his calling in permaculture in 2007 and has successfully devoted himself to embracing this both as a career and lifestyle. Ron currently delivers waste minimisation education to many schools in Auckland; is a key architect of the Zero Waste Event campaign that to date has reduced event waste by 88%; and teaches and consults on organic waste solutions.

SUPPORT TUTORS

Finn, Gary, and Ron are supported by seven other expert tutors who bring their particular skills, experiences and passion to different workshops throughout the programme. Support tutors include Cathy Angell, Derek Craig, Buffie Mawhinney, Rilke de Vos, Amanda Wright, Fiona Ting, and Jack Haldane-Willis.

DESIGN PROJECT

The design project is an opportunity for participants to apply their knowledge of permaculture to a relevant, real life situation of their choosing. There are no absolute limitations on the subject matter of the project, so long as students demonstrate an understanding of the design process and apply permaculture design principles introduced in the first workshop – **Philosophy and Design**.

The design can be completed individually or in groups with an expectation that each participant spends at least 20 hours on the project. Tutors will be available for feedback during the process. Participants will be required to create and present a (minimum) ten-minute presentation of their project to tutors and colleagues.

- The full design project brief and outline will be provided at the first workshop
- All 2017 participants are expected to submit their design project briefs to tutors by **Monday 5th June** (at the latest) to complete their certificate in 2017
- Dates for 2017 design certificate project presentations are on these Saturdays
 - **26th August** • **25th November**

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETING A PDC

- Attend at least 9 APW (or equivalent*) workshops
- Presentation of a permaculture design project (20 hours minimum research)
- Participants have 2 years to complete their PDC from the start date of their first workshop

**Participants unable to complete 9 workshops with APW can complete workshops through another PiNZ recognised modular PDC programme.*

FEES

The PDC programme is \$1550.00. You can choose to pay in full or take advantage of our payment plan:

- A non-refundable deposit of \$650 is required to secure your spot. You can pay the balance in three installments of \$300 each, due on the **3rd April, 12th June** and **14th August** 2017.
- The cost for an individual workshop in 2017 is \$180.

If cost is a barrier, fees can be offset through other contributions. Please contact us for further information on our SPENDS scheme.

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Workshops not completed within the calendar year of registration can be attended by participation in individual workshops the following year. The cost of attending them is in addition to the 2017 PDC programme fee. The fee for a single workshop in 2017 is \$180 and may be subject to change in 2018.

Modular PDC workshops completed through other providers (eg. Waikato, Taranaki, Otaki etc. PDCs) can count towards your APW Design Certificate. Please contact other modular PDC providers directly for their programme details. All costs associated with attending workshops through other providers are not included in APW PDC programme fees and will need to be paid for by participants.

Design projects not undertaken within the calendar year of the registered programme can be completed in the subsequent year. However, the cost for doing an APW permaculture design project outside of the calendar year of registration to the programme will incur an additional design mentor and presentation fee of \$250.

CONTACT DETAILS

If you would like further clarification on any details about our programme please contact us at info@apw.org.nz or **021 562 995**.

Further information about us, our tutors and our programme is available at www.apw.org.nz

We look forward to working with you.

Nāku noa nā

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