

AAEE National Environmental Education Conference 2025

Collaborate | Strengthen | Advocate



Call for Proposals

The Australian Association for Environmental Education is proud to announce the **AAEE National Environmental Education Biennial Conference 2025: *Collaborate, Strengthen, Advocate***, ONLINE for the first time to support our diverse membership across this vast continent to participate. The conference will be held throughout August 2025 across three exciting and inspiring days, across three weeks, with each day hosted by a partnering university. A Research Symposium hosted and curated by the Australian Journal of Environmental Education (AJEE) will be held on Friday the 1st August, to kick-off the conference season.

Day 1: Tuesday 5th August, hosted by The Centre for Regenerating Futures at Deakin University

Day 2: Wednesday 13th August, hosted by the School of Education at Curtin University

Day 3: Thursday 21st August, hosted by SEAE Research Centre at Southern Cross University.

Contribute to our 2025 Conference! We are structuring the conference to maximise the provocation of deep thinking and rich discussion. We warmly invite teachers, academics, researchers and community and business educators to submit proposals. Help us to **Collaborate, Strengthen and Advocate** across the Australian environmental education community. Presentations and workshops must be designed with *online* participation prioritised.

Templates have been provided to assist in your proposal submission. Please copy and paste your responses into the online form here ([LINK](#)).

Key dates:

- Monday, 3rd March - Submissions open.
- Monday 31st March - Early-bird registration for conference opens.
- Friday, 2nd May - Submissions due by 11:59 pm.
- Friday, 13th June - Applicants notified (whether included or not) by this date.
- Monday, 23rd June - Presentation/workshop titles and descriptions finalised.
- Friday, 27th June - Program ready.
- Friday, 11th July - Pre-recorded presentations due.

PROPOSALS: The Call for Proposals includes two options: **Presentations** in concurrent sessions, to share work in the field and stimulate facilitated discussion, and interactive **Workshops**, as outlined below. You are welcome to submit proposals for both a presentation and a workshop, or multiple proposals. To do so please complete the linked form in full for each submission.

NOTE: This year, the Research Symposium will be a curated event, hosted by AJEE, with presenters selected by invitation only. Other researchers are encouraged to submit a proposal for either a Short Presentation or a Workshop to be included in the conference itself. Please direct all enquiries to: AAEE Conference Coordinator Anna Wylie conference@aaee.org.au

OPTION A: SHORT PRESENTATION

The conference will include concurrent sessions, based on our key themes of **Strengthen**, **Collaborate** and **Advocate**. These sessions will consist of three 10-minute presentations followed by 30 minutes of facilitated discussion with the presenters and audience. Presentations must focus on a powerful question/theme/idea while briefly sharing your project/work to contextualise and provoke.

If you wish to share your work in this way and seed these discussions, please prepare a 200 word written OR a 2-min recorded submission, in which you provide:

- Title (10 words):
- Target audience: early childhood, primary, secondary, tertiary & vocational, government & industry, community, cross-sectoral, other _____ (choose only one option)
- Statement of powerful question or theme or key idea of presentation (this will be used to locate your presentation in the program) (30 words);
- Proposal (200 words to address the following)
 - Context of project/work
 - What you did
 - What you found
 - What it means to the environmental education community

The following template will assist you to prepare your submission. Copy the details into the online form here ([LINK](#)).

NB. If your proposal is selected for the conference you will be required to pre-record the 10-minute presentation. We can provide some support to organise the pre-record. We will also manage the tech on the day, and enable you to field incoming questions (in the chat feature or Zoom) during your presentation. A facilitator will then manage the discussion.

OPTION B: WORKSHOP

The conference will also include 30 minute or 60 minute workshop sessions. These are intended to be hands-on, fully interactive sessions.

If you wish to facilitate a workshop, please prepare a 300 word written OR 3-min recorded submission, in which you will provide:

Title (10 words):

Target audience: early childhood, primary, secondary, tertiary & vocational, government & industry, community, cross-sectoral, other _____ (choose only one option)

Statement of powerful question or theme or key idea of presentation (this will be used to locate your presentation in the program) (30 words);

Proposal (200 words to address the following)

- Context of project/work
- What it means to the environmental education community

Workshop outline including facilitator actions and participant actions, and timeline.

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Please remember: This is an online conference. We will be employing a plethora of online tools to foster collaboration, and welcome your suggestions as well.

Template - Proposal for Short Presentation

Name:		Email:	
Organisation:		Phone:	
Select theme:	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Collaborate</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Strengthen</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Advocate</i>	Select Target Audience: (choose only one option)	<input type="checkbox"/> early childhood <input type="checkbox"/> primary <input type="checkbox"/> secondary <input type="checkbox"/> tertiary & vocational <input type="checkbox"/> government & industry <input type="checkbox"/> community <input type="checkbox"/> Cross-sectoral <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____ (text box)
Title (10 words):			
Statement of powerful question or theme or key idea of presentation (this will be used to locate your presentation in the program) (30 words):			
Proposal (200 words to address the following): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Context of project/work ● What you did ● What you found ● What it means to the environmental education community 			
For programming purposes, your flexibility is highly valued. We hope you are available for any of the three conference dates, and are able to leave these checkboxes blank. If you are unavailable on any of the conference dates, please indicate here. I am NOT available to present on these dates (tick box): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Not available Tuesday 5th August <input type="checkbox"/> Not available Wednesday 13th August <input type="checkbox"/> Not available Thursday 21st August 			

Template - Proposal for Workshop

Name:		Email:	
Organisation:		Phone:	
Select theme:	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Collaborate</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Strengthen</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Advocate</i>	Select Target Audience: (choose only one option)	<input type="checkbox"/> early childhood <input type="checkbox"/> primary <input type="checkbox"/> secondary <input type="checkbox"/> tertiary & vocational <input type="checkbox"/> government & industry <input type="checkbox"/> community <input type="checkbox"/> cross-sectoral <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ (text box)
Select workshop length:	<input type="checkbox"/> 30-minute workshop <input type="checkbox"/> 60-minute workshop		
Title (10 words):			
Statement of powerful question or theme or key idea of workshop (this will be used to locate your presentation in the program) (30 words):			
Proposal (200 words to address the following) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Context of project/work • What it means to the environmental education community 			
What you will be doing	What the participants will be doing	Time allocated	
		Total workshop time:	30 / 60-minutes
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