



SPACE *for* STORY

‘Sometimes
a person needs a story
more than food’

Barry Lopez

Do you need some story nurture?

Would you like to dedicate some undistracted time to dwelling, soaking and basking in story?

Well-crafted words can speak to the soul and call forth new awareness. Join us on a STORYTELLING RETREAT.

2019 STORYTELLING RETREATS across the year:

Four Saturdays

20 July,
21 September,
19 October,
23 November,
Enrol in the full series,
or any single day(s).

Times:

9.30am-3.30pm

Three beautiful venues:

Riddells Creek, Phillip Island, Parkville.
Led by teachers, alumni and friends
of Art of Story.

Format:

Storytelling, artmaking, journaling, walking, stillness and silence. An undistracted space will be hosted and held for you. Feel welcomed, relaxed, nourished.

How the day unfolds:

The first hour will hold a morning telling led by skilled storytellers, followed by the opportunity to bring the stories and your own experience into your inner conversation as you choose – go for a solo walk, write and use art materials. For the final hour we re-gather and are free to share some of the gifts of the day should we choose. Delicious treats, teas and coffee will be provided. Simple artmaking materials are included in the price.

BYO packed lunch to eat in the venue or have as a solo picnic on your walk.

What to bring/wear:

- Loose, comfortable clothing
- Walking shoes
- Journal and pens
- BYO packed lunch

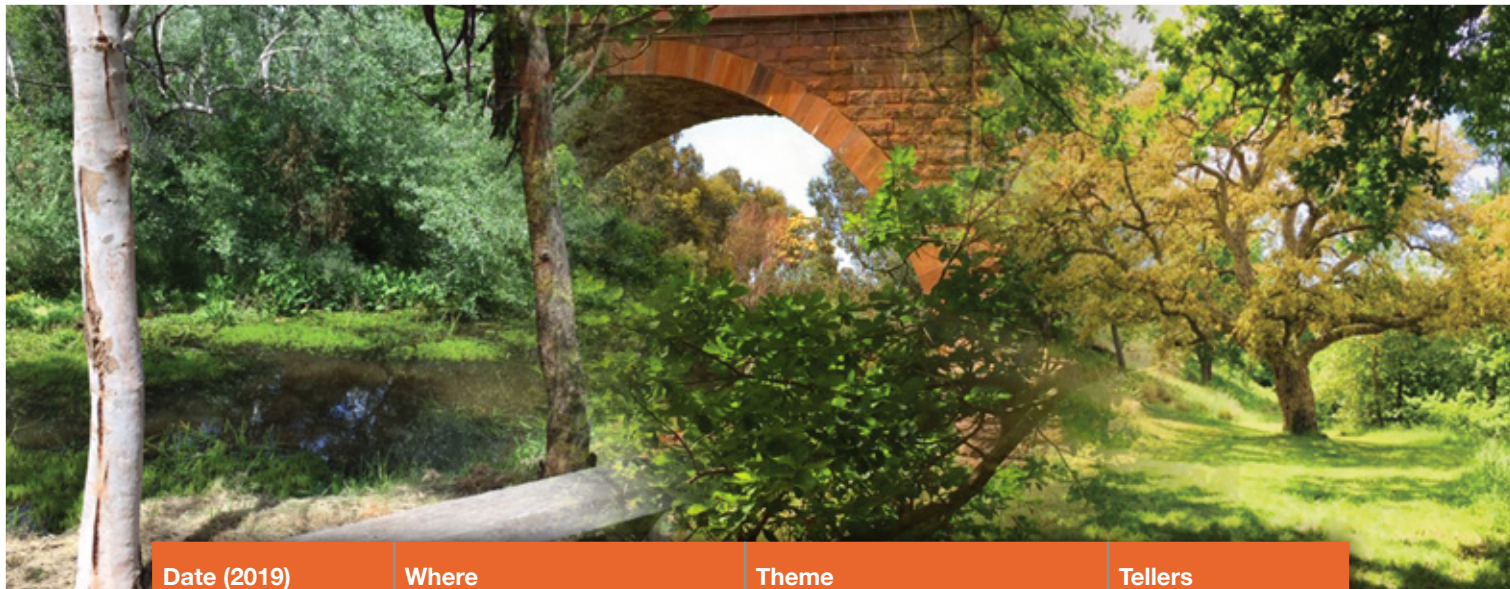
Please note - Due to registration software issues, the retreat originally scheduled for 23 March will now be held on 23 November. The problems with the registration site have been addressed - please register for any or all of these retreats [HERE](#)



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Date (2019)	Where	Theme	Tellers
Saturday 20 July 9.30am-6pm	Cowes Uniting Church, Phillip Island. PTV bus from Southern Cross direct to Cowes.	Playfulness and Story	Ian David Julie Perrin Christina Rowntree Jess Holt Katherine Jones
Saturday 21 Sept 9.30am-3.30pm	Centre for Theology & Min- istry (CTM) Parkville. Parking available.	True Life Tales Telling your own story	Jess Holt Katherine Jones
Saturday 19 Oct 9.30am-3.30pm	Riddells Creek Uniting Church. An hour from Melbourne by train, the UC is a 3min walk from the station.	Telling Ancient Stories Today Listening for wisdom	Annette Buckley Christina Rowntree
Saturday 23 Nov 9.30am-3.30pm	Riddells Creek Uniting Church (as for 19 Oct).	The Wounded Healer	Fi Bottcher Julie Perrin

REGISTRATION:

Early bird package discounts – pay before 30 May and receive a complimentary ticket to Pádraig Ó Tuama's seminar *"Theology as Story: Believing in the Truth of People"* on 9 May.

Early Bird payments are non-refundable

- Book all four Space for Story Retreat days for \$300 per person (fully waged)
- or \$500 for two people - bring a buddy.

Individual days

These can be booked as follows:

- **\$85 per person per Saturday, waged (\$340 for all four)**
- **\$65 part-waged, (part time students and Seniors Card pay part-waged rate) (\$260 for all four)**
- **\$45 full-time students or pension concession card holders (\$180 for all four)**

Register online at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BBRPR>

or contact Ann Byrne, events coordinator, at ann.byrne@victas.uca.org.au or **(03) 9340 8815**.

INFORMATION:

BYO packed lunch for the day retreats in Riddells Creek and Parkville. We will supply teas and coffee and generous snacks. You may like to find overnight accommodation to extend the spaciousness of these retreats. See suggestions on the registration website.

Lunch will be provided for Playfulness and Story in Cowes. We will head out for dinner after the workshop at your own cost. Staying at Phillip Island is recommended. You may organise your own accommodation or check the options listed on the registration website.

Hosted by:

Julie Perrin, Fiona Bottcher, Katherine Jones, Jess Holt, Annette Buckley, Christina Rowntree and Ian Turnidge.

Note these dates too:

On 9-10 May we will be hosting Irish poet and storyteller Pádraig Ó Tuama at the Centre for Theology and Ministry, College Cres, Parkville.

Save these dates and go to <https://www.trybooking.com/BBOWW> for registration.