#### **AdaptNSW**



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Hello there,

We're delighted to announce that Expressions of Interest for presenting at the AdaptNSW Forum 2025 are now open. The Forum returns across November 25 and 26 at the Roundhouse in Sydney.

The 2025 AdaptNSW Forum is an exploration of our entangled, complex and interdependent world, and to **Other Ways** of **Knowing, Thinking, Feeling** and **Doing**. To face climate risks, we need to shift from business-as-usual and lead with our humanity. By embracing approaches that recognise how everything is interwoven, we can rethink our values, systems and actions to build a just and hopeful future.

Transformation begins not by turning away, but by engaging with the darkness. Only then can we create space for regeneration: grounded in care, guided by knowledge, and shaped by right relationship.

Expressions of Interest (EOI) for presenters close on Wednesday 16 July 2025.

Read more about this year's themes and submit an EOI

# **Future Leaders Forum**



On June 12, high school students from across Western Sydney and the Central Coast gathered at Powerhouse Castle Hill for the Future Leaders Forum to explore climate leadership. Presented in collaboration with the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, the forum brought together students to connect and voice new perspectives on climate change and its impacts.

Through a powerful keynote, hands-on workshops, and a moving student reflection session, students explored their roles in shaping a more sustainable future. From envisioning climate futures with generative AI to discovering their unique leadership styles, students left the forum energized and empowered.

See the full program

# Adaptation in practice



Look back at the "Heads, Hearts and Hands" case study — a powerful example of how communities are building climate resilience through connection, creativity, and care. This story highlights the importance of engaging not just minds, but emotions and actions in the face of climate change. It's a timely reminder of the strength found in collaboration and the value of diverse approaches to adaptation.

Read this inspiring case study

# Adaptation out there

## <u>Can tarot help ease climate anxiety?</u>

From Atmos, this thoughtful journey blends introspection with environmental awareness, inviting you to reflect, reconnect, and find meaning amid uncertainty.

# <u>Lessons learned from Australia's adapting wine industry</u>

Australia's wine industry is adapting to climate change through innovation and resilience. This insightful casestudy uncorks valuable lessons and strategies from those leading the transformation.

### **Cooler places**

From shady streets to smart design strategies, there are practical ways to beat the heat. Explore ideas, tips, and real-world examples that can help you create a cooler, more liveable environment.

### **Australian Adaptation Database**

This rich resource from the National Environmental Science Program showcases real-world projects, strategies, and lessons learned from adaptation efforts nationwide.



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