

EDUCATING STUDENTS

WHY MUNGO MATTERS

Exploring Lake Mungo in Schools

A ONE DAY SEMINAR FOR EDUCATORS



AUSTRALIAN
CURRICULUM
HISTORY
YEARS 4 & 7
MUNGO
EXPLORER
RESOURCE



Introducing a new and exciting resource:

MUNGO EXPLORER

This comprehensive multimedia package, includes a CD and curriculum exploring Australia's rich and deep history based on the lifetime's work of Jim Bowler. Now it is possible to deliver the Australian History Curriculum in a dynamic and transformative way, and awaken students fascination in our history.

THIS IS RARE OPPORTUNITY to spend time with...

Distinguished Scientist

PROFESSOR JIM BOWLER

sharing the monumental journey of 40 years of research on the shores of Lake Mungo, including his discoveries of **Mungo Lady** and **Mungo Man**.

As a climate change scientist Jim's work brought him in contact with evidence of **the oldest cultures on earth**. This is a unique opportunity to hear this story. Now in his 80's Jim continues to find ways to pass this knowledge onto younger generations.

Also presenting...

'Lake Mungo – the place where people and the land become one, where our people walk with the spirits of our ancestors'

VICKI CLARK

'Weaving history, science and Aboriginal perspectives together in the Mungo Explorer curriculum'

JACQUIE TAYLOR

'Re-imagining Ancient Australia through deep listening and music'

JENNY BOWLER

A SEMINAR

For Educators

Saturday

October

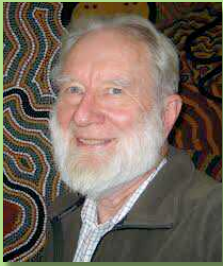
12th 2013

9am - 4pm

Cost \$77

VIT certificates of attendance available

PRESENTERS FOR ONE DAY SEMINAR - Saturday 12th October 2013, 9am - 4pm



JIM BOWLER
SCIENTIST

Jim began life as a potato grower in Gippsland. Conversion from spud-digging to geology led him to many lands in search of climatic change as major influence on landscape development especially on inland Australia. Why do we have so many fossil, inactive dunes and dry lake basins? It was precisely that search in the string of then unnamed basins of Western New South Wales (Willandra basins) that led him to recognize the presence there of people long before him. The discovery of human remains of Mungo Man and Mungo Lady, both dated to near 40,000 years ago, has changed our understanding of Australia's natural and human history. That work led to his naming the dry basin, "Lake Mungo" and later to establishment of the Willandra Lakes World Heritage area. In 2002 Jim published his lifetime's research into a multimedia CD - **'LAKE MUNGO, window to Australia's past.'** This comprehensive CD was designed with schools in mind. Curriculum has now been developed aligned with the Australian Curriculum, History. - **'Mungo Explorer'** is for years 4 and 7.



VICKI CLARK
INDIGENOUS ADVOCATE

Vicki is a descendant of the Mutthi Mutthi tribe of southwest NSW, her home country is centred in the Mungo National Park area, and is the proud mother of Tamara. Vicki participated in the Commonwealth and State Government consultations that formulated the current Willandra Lakes World Heritage Property Plan of Management. Vicki was an active stakeholder as a representative of the affiliated Aboriginal Tribal Groups (Mutthi Mutthi). As the co-ordinator of the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (ACMV) Vicki has worked tirelessly since 1988 for the rights of her people and for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders around the country. Vicki supports the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities of Victoria by maintaining a Centre that is a place of welcome and of spiritual healing. At the same time working as an advocate for justice for her people within the Catholic Church and in the wider community.



JACQUIE TAYLOR
CURRICULUM ADVISOR

Jacquie, as a retired school principal, curriculum writer and consultant has been involved with formal teaching since she was 16 years of age. However, she acknowledges that her most powerful learning has come from times shared with Aboriginal people throughout most of her life. Elders have mentored her to enhance her understanding of life, culture, learning and responsibilities. She now dedicates her energy to writing curriculum to responsibly use the knowledge and skills that have been entrusted to her by her Aboriginal families and friends. She feels honoured to have been involved in developing the Mungo Explorer Resource, which she has dedicated two years to creating with Jenny Bowler, based on Jim's foundational work.



JENNY BOWLER
PROJECT MANAGER

Jenny is the initiator and project manager of Mungo Explorer. As a practicing psychotherapist she understands the power and importance of story. The stories from Lake Mungo have been part of her life since she was a young girl and have woven their way into her being. She is passionate about the lessons Mungo has to offer the broader community and went in search of a curriculum writer to complement her father's lifetime work. She values the role teachers play in young peoples lives and hopes the opportunity to share this dynamic material and will offer them the support they need to create a narrative based on Australian history that goes back at least 50,000 years.

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRES:

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Bookings close 12th September



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Testimony for Mungo Explorer

"I think the lesson plans are very well constructed from a student learning perspective – they scaffold the student to stimulate what they know, including guiding them to generate questions, encourage them to pursue enquiries and collate regularly what they know. They are a credit to you both."

...John Munro