

## Artist inspired by Wagga Wagga regenerative farm

Wagga Wagga Art Gallery's most recent artist in residence has moved into the E3 art space to open conversations about regenerative farming practices and how they inform her work.

Lyndall Phelps is a Northern Rivers based artist with 25 years' experience working in museums in the United Kingdom.

She now brings this experience to Wagga Wagga as part of her investigation into regenerative farming practices and subsequently to develop a body of new work.

Phelps just spent two weeks on Pete and Pamela Lawson's property 'Trewalla', a regenerative farm located east of Wagga Wagga.

Regenerative farming is an emerging sustainable practice with an emphasis on returning farmlands to good health.

Phelps' time spent on the farm was used undertaking research and gathering materials to use in her installations she is now creating in the E3 art space for her exhibition *In Harmony*.

The E3 art space is being transformed into a museum setting, with doors open to the public for visitors to view Phelps' playful and at times, surreal, art installations and participate in conversations about art and farming.

In addition to viewing Phelps' work at the E3 art space, the community also has the opportunity to join a Farm Walk and Talk on a working regenerative farm at 2pm on Sunday 17 September.

The Farm Walk and Talk presents a unique opportunity to hear from both the artist and farmers Pete and Pamela Lawson as they step through their experience of regenerative farming.

Earth Canvas and Wagga Wagga Art Gallery have collaborated to produce the Farm and Studio Residency Program which is supporting Lyndall Phelps' work.

The program aims to bring together artists and regenerative farmers to explore themes of a healthy environment, soil, and planet Earth.

Phelps' residency forms part of the Gallery's *GREEN 2023* year of environmental exhibitions and programs.

The Farm Walk and Talk event will involve walking over uneven ground, so please wear appropriate footwear.

Bookings are essential as numbers are limited: visit [waggaartgallery.com.au/whats-on](https://waggaartgallery.com.au/whats-on)

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**MEDIA OPPORTUNITY:**

**What:** Hear about Lyndall Phelps' work *In Harmony*, and the Farm Walk and Talk experience on September 17 at 2pm.

**Who:** Artist Lyndall Phelps and Wagga Wagga Art Gallery RAD Coordinator Mary Egan.

**When:** Wednesday 13 September, 10:15am.

**Where:** E3 Art Space, Wagga Wagga Art Gallery.

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**PROGRAMS:**

**Regenerative Farm Walk and Talk**

September 17 2023, 2pm – 4:30pm

\$25 (+bf) Afternoon tea included.

Bookings essential [waggaartgallery.com.au](http://waggaartgallery.com.au)

**MEDIA IMAGES:**

Artist Lyndall Phelps and her work *In Harmony*. Image courtesy of Wagga Wagga Art Gallery.





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