

The Friday Forum

To be held by Teams Meeting

21st May 2021
3.30pm - 5.00pm

Disasters, Pandemics, and Social Turbulence: The Study of Uncertain Times

We live surrounded by turbulence and turbulent exchanges in our physical and social worlds. Human cultures have used and lived within turbulent systems for millennia. Since the time of Leonardo da Vinci, scholars have observed and modelled this dynamic form of movement. Yet knowledge advancement has occurred within and siloed disciplines. The current era of crises and calamity, disasters and pandemics demands that we develop new approaches to familiar problems which have historically inflicted societies and communities. In particular, pandemics, environmental crises, Indigenous injustice, displacement and migration demand solutions at the interface between Indigenous knowledges, humanities and sciences. Progress can be made in creating a long term sustainable future only through interdisciplinary collaborations and by moving beyond isolated approaches. Taking the concept of living with turbulence as the key organising framework, this panel will discuss how a collaboration between engineering, science, humanities, social sciences and Indigenous knowledges, will enable transformative advancement in understandings about living with four challenges of our turbulent times: facing pandemics, environmental sustainability; transformative Indigenous knowledges and surviving displacement.

Chair: Dr. Michael Thompson,
School of Arts, ACU

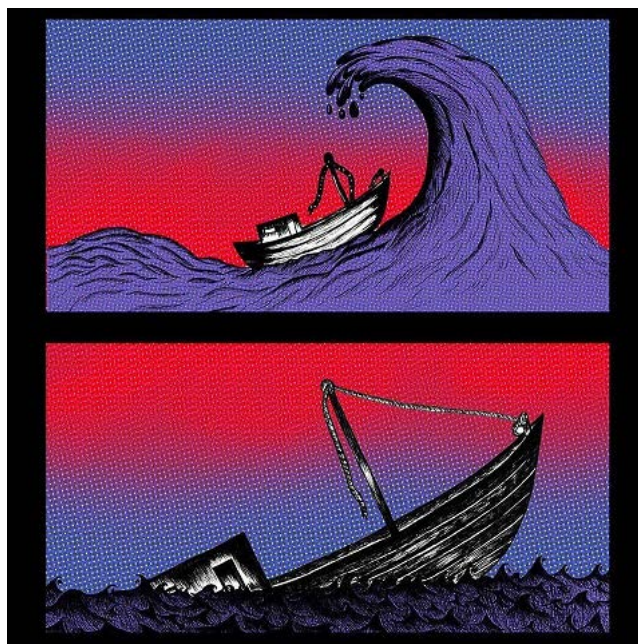
Speakers:

Prof. Angus Cook, School of Population and Global Health, UWA

Assoc. Prof. Shino Konishi, IHSS, ACU

Prof. Charles Green, School of Culture and Communications, University of Melbourne

Prof. Joy Damousi, IHSS, ACU



Refugee Art Project. Artist: Murtaza Ali Jafari.