Design for Wellbeing Symposium

The Design for Wellbeing network will host its first public symposium focusing on the gaps in how health care settings are designed.

The **Design for Wellbeing Network** is a multinational and interdisciplinary group of researchers who work across architecture, design, health technologies and social science. Focusing specifically on hospitals and other formal healthcare settings, the network aims to improve the understanding of how people experience these services and environments, and to work towards improvements in these experiences through rigorous qualitative and practice-based research.

About the symposium

The first public symposium will bring together academics and healthcare professionals to discuss future possibilities for healthcare design. Over the course of half a day, the symposium will showcase several research projects that interrogate design for wellbeing. At the end of the day, health care industry professionals will present some of their best practice projects. To conclude the day we will invite all attendees to discuss - *What are the gaps in healthcare design?*

Speakers

Laurene Vaughan, Professor of Design and Communication, RMIT University
Sarah Pink, Distinguished Professor of Design and Media Ethnography, RMIT University
Margo Annemans, Research [x] Design Research Group, KU Leuven (Belgium)
Michel Verheem, Director and Principal Strategist of ID/Lab
Keely Macarow, Deputy Head of School, Research & Innovation, RMIT University
Finn Pedersen, Director, iredale pedersen hook architects (Perth, WA)
Wendy Gunn, Senior Research Fellow, Research [x] Design Research Group, KU Leuven (Belgium)
Julie Bernhardt, NHMRC Established Fellow and Senior Principal Florey Research Fellow, Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health
Dr Ana Martinez, University of the Americas (Ecuador)
Philip Tune, Associate Professor and Executive Director Psychiatric Services, Bendigo Health

Date: Thursday 7 December 2017
Time: 10:00am - 6:30pm
Venue: RMIT University SAB, 445 Swanston Street, Building 80, Level 2, Room 007
RSVP: https://designforwellbeingsymposium.eventbrite.com.au

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