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Free 'Local Creative Food Economies' workshop

A free workshop aimed at investigating ways of boosting the small food producer industry in the Great Southern will be conducted next week by the City of Albany.

All operators within the Great Southern food industry, including growers, producers, wine makers, restaurateurs and hospitality operators, are encouraged to attend the free 'Local Creative Food Economies' workshop next Wednesday March 26.

The session will be conducted by Kirsten Larsen, founding director of Eaterprises Australia, a social enterprise focused on transforming the way food is distributed and exchanged by initiating, incubating and fostering activities that connect farmers and eaters.

Tourism Development Services Manager Matthew Bird encouraged anyone interested or involved in the Great Southern food and wine producing scene to attend the free event.

"The City of Albany wants to investigate ways of increasing the growth and success of the small producer industry," he said.

"This workshop is a unique opportunity to hear from an expert in the field of local food economies and 'food hubs'; and to gauge the level of interest within the industry of developing a coordinated approach to benefit all small producers going forward."

The workshop will be held at the City of Albany Civic Rooms 102 North Road next Wednesday March 26 from 9am-1pm.

Please RSVP to rsvp@albany.wa.gov.au. For more information please call Matthew Bird on 9841 9202.

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Note: Kirsten Larsen is available for comment on 0425 794 848 or kirsten@eaterprises.com.au.

Biography



Kirsten Larsen has been working on and in food systems for 5 years. Her (ongoing) work at the Victorian Eco-Innovation Lab has increased her understanding and awareness of innovations to develop more sustainable and resilient food systems.

Kirsten's policy background includes work in the Victorian Government, most recently in the Department of Premier and Cabinet on climate change and food policy.

Kirsten has built up strong networks across diverse food enterprises and organisations and she supports the growth and development of the sector through her board positions for Cultivating Community and Transition Darebin.

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