



## Creative Womyn Down Under

**18 March 2013**

Martine Locke Concert, Bhakti Bliss, Unlimited You  
Genevieve Chadwick + Faye Blais, Zangdrum & More

We hope you all enjoyed International Women's Day events this month. Our website noticeboard is so full of upcoming events that we couldn't include them all in this newsletter. Thanks to everyone who has taken the time to keep us posted on news and events of interest to creative womyn.

View our noticeboard here <http://www.creativewomyn.net/Noticeboard.html> to find out about feminist happenings such as Songs from the Heart Circle Kirtan in Bulli 24 March; Seven Sisters Festival in Victoria 12-14 April; Dancing with Dragons Playshop in Berry 28 April; 7th Australian Women's Health Conference in Sydney 7-10 May; Lesbians Incorporated 2013 community grants announcement; and much more.

We look forward to seeing you at one of our house concerts in Sydney over the next few weeks. All the details are below. Please see also a special personal development opportunity: "[Unlimited You](#)" a one-day workshop 28 April with educational take home resources. We have news about Women of the Wise Earth Sydney and their generosity towards our Homeless Womyn's Lunch Project; an exciting update on Zangdrum re-activated; and we then sign off this newsletter with congratulations to Louise Wadley, Jay Rutovitz and everyone who supported their successful Pozible campaign to fund lesbian feature film "[The Trouble with E](#)".

Happy reading :- ) Gabe Journey & Georgina.

### **MARTINE LOCKE - HOUSE CONCERT THIS SUNDAY 24 MARCH 2013**

13 Potter Avenue, Earlwood 2pm - 5pm \$25/\$20



Photo: Martine (standing) and Jamie (seated with djembe, next to Martine) at the [National Women's Music Festival](#), USA courtesy of NWMF.

We are very excited about Martine's concert this weekend, and look forward to seeing as many Creative Womyn there as possible. If the weather permits, we will enjoy an outdoor event in the backyard. Afternoon tea provided, great company and fabulous music!

Australian lesbian singer /songwriter, now Indianapolis, USA resident, **Martine Locke** is the epitome of an independent musician. For seven years she has toured solo around the USA & Australia, bringing her brand of acoustic rock and engaging performance to music festivals and house concerts. She has independently released six solo CDs and four with favourite W.A. duo The Velvet Janes.

Heading back home to Australia for a series of shows, Martine brings two new CDs – a live CD recorded in her new hometown of Indianapolis before a sold out crowd and a brand new solo acoustic CD that features 10 tracks completely unplugged and raw. Warm and witty with a killer set of pipes and mad guitar skills, Martine will charm you - making you want to dance like no one is watching.

Martine will be joined by **Jamie Price**, who brings from the USA her master drumming skills on djembe. **Ineke** will welcome everyone to the afternoon with her powerful voice and original affirmations.

Tickets only available at the door \$25 or concession \$20. All welcome. Please let us know if you will be joining us. Contact Georgina on 0406 372 142 or email [georgina@creativewomyn.net](mailto:georgina@creativewomyn.net)

For those on facebook RSVP and invite your friends here

<https://www.facebook.com/events/471427196256992/>

Find out more about Martine and listen to her music at [www.martinelocke.com](http://www.martinelocke.com)

Martine on youtube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CHhMJPwnBSA>

### **BHAKTI BLISS 2013**

Saturday 30 March 10am - Sunday 31 March 6pm

Newcastle Town Hall, 290 King Street Newcastle

Cost: by heartfelt donation

The wonderful team from Bodhi Festival have recently announced a retreat style program “Bhakti Bliss: a feast of divine love”. Due to unexpectedly low registration numbers for Bodhi Festival, it has been deferred and in its place people can enjoy Bhakti Bliss.

This will be a simple, heartfelt program similar to that which would have been running in the Durga Laxmi temple and will include Shanti Music as well as Jai Uttal, Carmella Baynie, Edo and Jo, and Sri Prahlada. On Saturday night they will have a Heart Party featuring Gayatri, Durga Devi, Hanuman, Narayan and the launch of Maitreya’s new CD.

Bhakti Bliss will be an authentic outpouring of spiritual energy. It is not a festival, but an intensive, joyful Divine program, filled with great music, activations, meditations, ritual, blessings and heart.

Find out more at <http://bodhifestival.com.au/>

## **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **UNLIMITED YOU: ONE-DAY WORKSHOP:**

#### **Unlock the Code to Human Behaviour**

Sunday 28 April 2013 10am-6pm Sydney

Are you tired of paying high prices for self-help seminars that don't work?

It's time to discover a different kind of workshop: practical personal development for the socially conscious; people seeking powerful real change; hands-on, interactive and intimate.

Do you have big dreams, but can't seem to actualise them?

Do you work really hard, personally and professionally, but there's still something missing in your life?

Are you ready to finally start living the life of your dreams and in the process make a positive difference in the lives of others?

If you feel you're destined for more and are done with leading an unfulfilled life, then register for [Unlimited You](#) a one-day, hands-on workshop developed to help you understand your true nature and actualise your own personal power.

In this content-rich, interactive event, you will:

- Break through to new levels of personal and professional achievement
- Understand your core needs and how to get them met in a healthy way
- Discover how to create dramatically improved relationships and intimacy
- Activate your innermost strengths and power
- Learn time-tested approaches that will change your life forever
- And, so much more!

Join Katrina Fox, transformational coach, NLP Practitioner, writer and speaker for a special day of self-discovery and empowerment that will change everything...for you and others in your world. During our time together, you will:

- Find out what really drives you ... then, make sure it's taking you where you want to go!
- Revolutionise the way you think about yourself
- And much more...

This is just a tiny glimpse at the life-changing strategies and personalised, tangible tools for success you'll receive during this unique workshop!

[Click here for full details and to register.](#) Early bird discount applies till 30 March!

## **GENEVIEVE CHADWICK & FAYE BLAIS**

### **House Concert**

Thursday 11 April 2013 Ashfield 7pm-10pm



Many of you heard [Genevieve Chadwick](#) as an emerging very talented musician at the CWDU 2011 [Lesbians in the House](#) Sydney Opera House concert. In the past 2 years she has played hundreds of gigs to packed audiences. Creative Womyn Down Under and house concert host Lorraine Wright invite you to enjoy Genevieve and Canadian award winning folk singer Faye Blais in Sydney's Inner West.

When [Faye Blais](#) starts to sing her soulful songs, the chambers of the heart will be set aflame. Blais is endorsed by Australia's Cole Clark Guitars and described as "Young, edgy, and powerfully present, ... continuing the thread started by Joni, picked up by Ani and fashioned by Feist." - Eaglewood Folk Festival, Canada.

Blues/roots/rock sensation Genevieve Chadwick will add fuel to the fire with her outstanding guitar work, smokey vocals and passionate originals. Chadwick has the rare ability to captivate all in her presence and her exceptional talent has lit up audiences and critics alike "She's the talent of John Butler, with the soul of Janis Joplin. A force truly to be reckoned with" – LOTL

We would love to see you in Ashfield on 11 April 2013. Street parking nearby. Public transport: Hurlstone Park and Canterbury train stations or Bus 428 from city are walking distance to house.

Tickets only available at the door (cash \$15). As this is an intimate house concert it would help us if you would RSVP to Georgina on 0406 372 142 or email [georgina@creativewomyn.net](mailto:georgina@creativewomyn.net) or if you are on facebook let us know here if you can make it <https://www.facebook.com/#!/events/431588390258939/>

Visit [www.genevievechadwick.com](http://www.genevievechadwick.com) for tour news.

## ZANGDRUM



As many of you know, we have been spending a lot of time over the past 3.5 years with babies and toddlers. We have now gathered a large collection of small percussion instruments and are offering pay-what-you-can drumming and percussion playshops for children's and community events.

Gabe Journey initiated Zangdrum in 2003, organising womyn's drumming retreats and community performances at places such as [The Women's Library](#) in Newtown. Our concept of "Zang" refers to the feelings of happiness and connectedness which can be experienced when drumming with a group of people.

Creative Womyn Down Under have decided to re-activate Zangdrum, and its original intention of sharing the enjoyment of drumming with others remains the same. On International Women's Day 8 March 2013, Zangdrum (consisting of the immediate Creative Womyn Down Under family Gabe, Georgina, Jai and Sofara) shared an interactive drumming performance and facilitated a drum circle playshop for the [Newtown Neighbourhood Centre's](#) IWD afternoon.

If you want to know more about Zangdrum or have a children's or community event coming up that you think a drum circle would be a fun thing to include, please contact Gabe Journey on 0400 619 868 or email [gabrielle@creativewomyn.net](mailto:gabrielle@creativewomyn.net).

## **WOWE SYDNEY - THANK YOU**

**Women of the Wise Earth** <http://womenofthewiseearth.com/>

Creative Womyn Down Under would like to thank Nicole Gruel and the Sydney Women of the Wise Earth monthly gatherings who have generously made donations to our Homeless Womyn's Lunch Project held each Monday afternoon in Newtown. WOWE Sydney gatherings are open to all womyn interested in connecting and journeying through the seven chakras. In Nic's words:

"WOWEunite is a place for Women Of the Wise Earth (WOWE) to gather, connect, share & shine! Unleash your delicious feminine prowess & join the revoLOVEtion.

Join juicy siSTARS around the world in sacred circle, song, dance, inspiration, ancient wisdom & intuitive guidance as we journey through the seven chakras. Be filled again & again through communion with nature. Reawaken your ancient womanly wisdom.

WOWEunite is a space to share the rainbow gems that will inevitably spill forth in abundance--pictures & inSPIRITations from your WOWE gatherings as well as Mama Earth's wisdom from your nook of the world.

The rainbow shenanigans began in 2012 when 33 women gathered seven times in seven sacred natural places to co-create the book 'Women of the Wise Earth'. The book continues to inspire & ignite, so much so that WOWEunite was birthed to ripple the rainbow Love, LIVE TIME, with YOU."

Details of the next WOWE Sydney gathering on Sunday 14 April are here on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/#!/events/512944115418164/> or contact Nicole via <http://barefootstoryweaver.com/>

## **CONGRATULATIONS**



Finally, a huge congratulations to Louise Wadley and Jay Rutovitz from The Girls' Own Pictures who successfully exceeded their target for Pozible crowd-funding campaign with the help of 437 supporters - including many friends on the Creative Womyn Down Under mailing list and facebook group. We look forward to "The Trouble with e" film premier. Visit here to keep posted on their news

<http://www.girlsown.com/> You can still enjoy their promo video and fun support song by [While and Matthews](#) from the UK on the [Pozible website here](#).

In creativity, music, fun and good feminist company,

Gabrielle Journey Jones  
& Georgina JD Abrahams

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