

# Guidelines for Workshops for Scarlet Alliance National Workshops

**Scarlet Alliance National Forum 2017 will be held 14-16 November  
on Gadigal Land - Sydney, NSW.**

Each year the workshops are always listed as a highlight for many people attending the conference. Different sex workers contributing their experience, knowledge, and skills is what makes it a great forum!

If you would like to run a workshop with another sex worker or would like to talk through idea(s) you have we welcome you to post on the Scarlet e-list and discuss your ideas with the membership - and get feedback or gauge interest on certain topics and ways to approach them.

We would especially encourage culturally and linguistically diverse sex workers to put in workshop outlines. Don't worry if English is your second language, the Migration Project can help you put together your workshop ideas (on Tuesday and Thursday 10am-6pm 02 9517 2577).

Workshops can take the form of skill shares, information sharing, etc. There are limited spaces for workshops in our very full National Forum agenda. Not all workshops can be included, the selection process will prioritise workshops with the greatest benefit to sex workers.

Based on the feedback from previous years we suggest that you please state in your submission:


















- What your workshop will offer the sex worker community and Forum attendees; and
- What your objectives are in presenting the workshop

So if you (or you and someone else) are interested in presenting or facilitating a workshop, please email a brief outline of your ideas to [info@scarletalliance.org.au](mailto:info@scarletalliance.org.au) by COB 21 July 2017.

**Please keep the outline to a maximum of 200 words!**

*Please note: Scarlet Alliance National Forum is a sex worker space only space and excludes owners/operators. To submit a workshop outline (and to attend the forum) you must be a sex worker (past or present) and not an owner/operator of a sex industry business.*

**To help with brainstorming, here are a few ideas:**

-  media
-  community led research
-  using technology as sex workers- (making it work for us; privacy concerns)
-  using technology to organise and connect as sex worker movement
-  addressing discrimination and stigma within sex worker communities (whether its related to sex work and/or other parts of our identities - i.e. transphobia, racism etc)
-  sex work skills shares (i.e. working online, bdsm, massage)
-  law reform (i.e. building support/consulting community/advocating for full decrim/fighting Swedish model)
-  sex worker organisations: best practice outreach/health promotion
-  dealing with people who oppose sex work and sex worker rights
-  outreach to rural areas or outreach to prisons/custodial settings
-  what does best practice look like?
-  what are the principles of peer education from a peer run org?
-  what are our strengths, how do you address challenges you've faced as sex worker organisation?
-  governance of sex worker orgs (including incorporation process, writing constitutions, autonomy and funding, negotiating autonomy under AIDS council structures)
-  funding and political autonomy
-  different areas/sources of funding-
-  police liaison officers /working with the police pros/cons/how to manage risks