# **ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES!**

Hands-On Community Engagement with Wendy Sarkissian

The Social Planning and Research Council of British Columbia (SPARC BC) is delighted to offer a two-day masterclass training in hands-on community engagement with respected community engagement and reflective practitioner and trainer, Wendy Sarkissian.

#### **WORKSHOP APPROACH**

- Community engagement methods with a practical hands-on emphasis
- Embodied processes, not online or social media approaches
- Use of role plays, myth and archetype, simulations
- Advice on workshop facilitation and recording
- Approaches for working with children and young people
- All examples based in practice
- Opportunities to work with some methods

### WHO IS THIS WORKSHOP FOR?

- Anyone seeking to design and implement authentic, creative and effective hands-on community engagement processes.
- People in the following fields:
  - community, urban and regional planning
  - community development
  - social work
  - social planning and social action
  - the land professions
  - community members and activists
  - health professionals
  - advocates
  - scholars and students

## THE WORKSHOP FACILITATOR

#### Dr Wendy Sarkissian LFPIA

one of Australia's most experienced social planners, facilitators and trainers

- over 40 years' professional experience
- expert in community engagement, social planning, housing, evaluation and professional ethics
- designs and manages complex community engagement processes in a range of developments and small rural communities
- over forty professional awards, largely for community engagement work
- managed Vancouver post-occupancy evaluation of resident satisfaction with high-rise housing
- Adjunct Professor, School of Community and Regional Planning, UBC





**OCTOBER 25–26, 2014** 

9:00 AM-5:00 PM VANCOUVER, BC



# PROPOSED WORKSHOP PROGRAM

# DAY 1

#### Arrivals

Affinity Diagram on arrival: Impediments to effective hands-on community engagement in planning

- 1. Welcome, introductions and survey results
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Introduction and framing: models and frameworks
- 4. Hands-on community engagement in practice
- 5. Morning's lessons
- 6. Affinity Diagram
- 7. Embodied Affinity Diagram
- 8. Working with children and young people
- 9. Using film and video
- 10. Final comments, reflections and refocussing for Day 2

### **TEXTBOOK**

Wendy's award-winning book, *SpeakOut: The Step-by-Step Guide to SpeakOuts and Community Workshops (Earthscan, 2009),* will be used as a text.

A copy will be included in the registration fee.





# DAY 2

Arrivals, refreshments and networking

- 1. Catch-up
- 2. SpeakOut model
- 3. Facilitation and recording
- 4. Role Plays, Simulations and Mock-ups
- 5. Storytelling, Myth and Archetype
- 6. Lessons for embodied processes
- 7. Workshop: Rezoning in Maypole
- 8. Presentations
- 9. Final comments and evaluation

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

Please call Eva Negley at **604.718.8505** or email via **enegley@sparc.bc.ca** 

Register by October 17.

This event is eligible for 11 PIBC CPL Learning Units.

**\$230.00** per person for 2-day workshop. Payment by cheque or credit card.

# LOCATION

YWCA Program Centre, 535 Hornby Street