

Value of Death Gathering Feedback

What did you want from the event and did it meet your expectations?
It was interesting listening to other people's experiences.
I want to spend time with like minded people and it did meet expectations
To meet people in the same line of work
A chance to be with others in this area of work and learn - it exceeded my expectations
Meeting and sharing with like minded people. Tick
Knowledge and kinship. Yes
To be informed and network with individuals supporting openness around death and dying and yes it was a very informative day
I wanted to meet others, be inspired, encourage others, connect and look at ways we can collaborate more together.
See what you're Doing in Scotland, meet people and generally pick up ideas for what I do in Oxford.
I wanted to know whether an event like this would be supported and found to be valuable. It absolutely met my hopes and probably exceeded my expectations!
Networking, learning
I wanted to meet other people working in this field and learn as much as I could.
To meet with likeminded people and explore topics around death together - it met my expectations

Did you learn something new that you can apply in your personal life or work?
I learned how to wrap a deceased in a shroud, avoid some of the pitfalls that could arise and how to avoid them. I enquired about how to wash the deceased's hair if needed. The deceased that was being wrapped in the shroud told me what to use.
I loved the beautiful singing and would like to use this when supporting people at the end of their life
It's an honour to be able to work with death and grief .
it was great to be a part of the workshop with Naturally Useful and the Wooden Urns, and learn more about cremation and bones; got a better grip on Advanced Planning;
Not really. It was more about the experience and the journey.
Yes
Not new but re enforcement.
The Song! Just stories.
Not really because I have been involved with this field for many years but it was good to be there
Yes, I learned that collaborative working is wonderful - enjoyable, fun and bringing depth to individual visions of what might be. I also learned a new song - which I am still singing...
Yes, about natural coffins etc.
Yes
No

What did you particularly enjoy and why?
I enjoyed speaking to like minded people and came away with more confidence that everyone would be helpful if needed.
The visualisation with Lesley
Listening to stories , real human interactions
was so enriching and inspiring to be with such a group of people; having time to share and chat, alongside the workshops and facilitated discussions was all great
The warmth and enthusiasm of the organisers and participants.
Singing. Opportunities to meet greet
I enjoyed all of it
The chat!
Catching up with a few people I hadn't seen for a long time. Also the unexpected use of many different tools in the sound bath: I am used to floating away on the frequencies of the glass bowls and the facilitator's use of a wide range of different materials kept me very much in the present which had other advantages.
I particularly loved the singing - it brought moments of collective stillness and shared ritual. I also particularly liked the 'buzz' of the day - the result of so many like-minded kindred spirits enjoying sharing time with each other.
"Meeting new people Connections"
Singing - beautiful experience, both workshops were amazing!
Networking, relaxed and positive atmosphere

What would you change, add and/or think could have been done differently?
I attended the sound bath which was enjoyable but would have liked more info on say the singing bowl such as, are they all the same note. Where would I go to get more information about the singing bowls and how to choose which is best for me.
I loved everything about the day and hope it becomes a regular event
Different topics , like grief , soother , organiser , Healer ,
the venue was lovely but it felt a bit noisy in the workshops that were in the hall, so perhaps more quieter rooms/space would be great. The catering was wonderful (not a moan but if the spring rolls and samosas and quiche etc had been heated that would have been nice). Everything had been thought of; thank you
Nothing
A more culturally and ethnically diverse participant group
So difficult to choose the workshops with so many good ones. Would be good to have a day where all sessions could be enjoyed by all. Huge ask i know lol.
Nothing!
I think we'll need to check that all the Workshop Facilitators were comfortable with the spaces they were working in. The venue worked well overall, and provided lots of opportunities for moving around in other ways, but noise might have been an issue for the quieter moments needed by some who were not allocated the quieter rooms/areas.
Perhaps tables with areas on to network with local people?
Have a 15 minutes slot for each organisation to present themselves - perhaps invite a speaker to talk about his / her death work

Did the event make you feel inspired to talk more about death or feel more empowered whilst working/interacting with death?
Yes, I felt it gave me more of a push to get the information into the Community.
Yes the event was very inspiring and will contribute to the work I do as a Soul Midwife
Definitely
yes
Not really
Yes
I am already comfortable with talking about death but listening to others approaches helps.
Yes
Absolutely! I have lots of ideas about how we might take 'The Value of Death' out into our communities by working with all the wonderful things that are already going on.
Yes, definitely
Yes, definitely
I feel empowered to continue the work of PUtD

Do you want to be involved in organising a similar event in the future? - If so, in what capacity?
Much as I would like to help out, I don't know if I am qualified enough to support you.
Yes I would like to help in any way I can at future events
Oh boy , I'm flat out as it is just now , but possible yes .
happy to offer a wellbeing workshop again, not sure if I could do the actual organising of the whole event
Prefer not
No, though happy to host a summer event n my land
No sorry im in fulltime work so not a lot of extra time.
I can help.
No because I live in Oxford but I knew my friend Claire Walmsley will be and I might just combine with another event, who knows...
Yes, I would love to be involved again! Happy to be part of the Organising/Planning Team, if they're happy to have me.
Yes, happy to help! Organising
Not at this time
Happy to support a future event but don't have the capacity to be involved in organising it