

PRACTICE ABSTRACT

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In this project, participatory arts are used to enhance public engagement with the WATERAGRI research and increase awareness of the need for sustainable water use and nutrient recovery in agriculture, and adaptation to a changing climate.

WATERAGRI is collaborating with Water is Attracted to Water, integrating information about water, sustainability and adaptation into arts and participatory activities informed by climate psychology. At the centre of this approach are the award winning short film, *One Day We Will Dance With You*, the creation of a community dance, the 'Water Molecule Dance' and creative workshops exploring themes around sustainable water use.

Aims:

- Reaching audiences outside the sciences and beyond stakeholders specific to the project.
- Creating buzz and building curiosity online.
- Deeper engagement participants connecting emotionally as well as intellectually with relevant themes.

Outcomes:

There are three main outcomes: a short film; a participatory community dance and workshops; and the creation of the website. The film uses the Water Molecule Dance as an enjoyable way of educating people about water and sustainability, and introduces the work of WATERAGRI to the public in an accessible way. It draws attention to approaches to nutrient recovery and irrigation.

Events:

- Participatory workshops with adults, autumn 2022
- Community workshops with children and teenagers, May 2022
- Cinema Verde Eco festival, Florida, USA. Winner of the Dancing Story Award, 2022.
- SEFF Smaragni Ecofilm Festival, Croatia, 2021
- Resurge: Canadian Film Festivals for a Liveable Climate, 2021