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Having grown up in Sydney I moved to Northern NSW in 1982, with a strong desire to live in the country. It was here that I first encountered Social Change and Deep Ecology work. My first experiences of Deep Ecology were with John Seed and others in that region.

On the North Coast, I studied Environmental Science and was also involved in Environmental Education and planting trees.

For me, immersing in the natural world has always been something that I have done and enjoyed, and I spent many breaks from college bushwalking in wilderness areas.

I have also involved myself in campaigning for the protection of wild and special places, which has taken me to many different parts of Australia, which I am so grateful to have experienced.

I sometimes think that I have always wanted to change the world, and deep ecology is my vehicle.

For the last 20 years I have been living on the NSW South coast, where woodchipping of our native forests is the constant plague.

In the late 90's I was fortunate to undertake a 10 day training with Joanna Macy in the facilitation of what she calls Deep Change work. Since that time I have found various opportunities to offer Deep Ecology work here on the south coast.

For me it is invaluable to be able to draw wisdom and nourishment from my larger sense of self that I imbibe from the natural world. This allows me to continue to participate in actions to prevent further loss of habitat and hopefully change consciousness so that our actions as a species change back to being in harmony with the earth.

I also love singing, making music, walking on the beach and being with big trees.