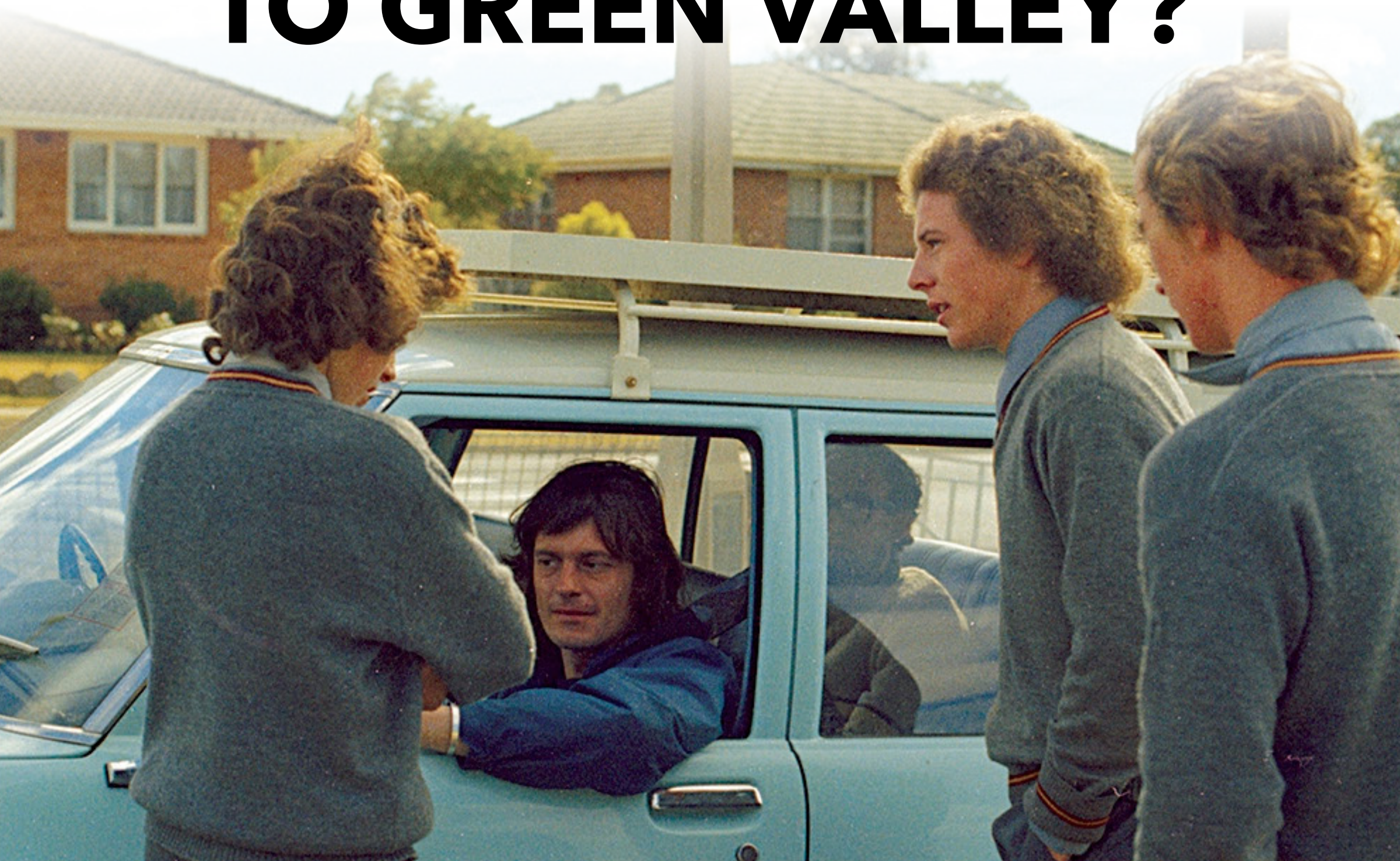


YOU ARE INVITED TO THE SCREENING OF

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO GREEN VALLEY?



Join us for a screening of the National Film and Sound Archive's (NFSA) remastered version of Peter Weir's 1973 documentary, *Whatever Happened to Green Valley?* In partnership with the School of Humanities and Communication Arts at Western Sydney University, the screening will be followed by a panel discussion addressing issues of urban and suburban design and the future of development in Western (particularly South Western) Sydney.

ABOUT THE FILM

A documentary filmed by the residents of Green Valley in 1973 - a housing commission estate in South Western Sydney - about their daily lives.

Green Valley was much maligned by the media of the day. The residents were hurt by the criticism, but lacked access to the media to respond. Supplied with equipment by Film Australia, they used this film to present a different image of themselves and their daily lives. In so doing, they answered the question "Whatever happened to Green Valley?"

The core of this film is the work of half a dozen residents, coordinated by acclaimed Australian filmmaker **Peter Weir** (*Picnic at Hanging Rock*, *Gallipoli*, *Dead Poets Society*, *The Truman Show*) one of his earliest film projects. Weir also acts as the moderator at a public forum, attended by the media and the Prime Minister, Gough Whitlam, which is also included in the film.

ABOUT THE PANEL DISCUSSION

The event is occurring as part of the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of Liverpool becoming a

municipality, looking at the past, present and future of the LGA. Green Valley sits squarely within our borders, but now surrounded by newer suburbs that are in development with the new airport and much-vaunted surrounding aerotropolis.

Issues surrounding suburban design and amenity are still critical here and growing more so with each passing year since the documentary was made.

In partnership with Western Sydney University we will explore themes of design and culture.

Panel Members include:

Deena Ridenour

Deena Ridenour is Associate Professor of Practice (Urban Design) at Sydney University School of Architecture, Design and Planning, where she teaches urban design studios, design theory and urban morphology in the Masters of Urban Design and Masters of Urbanism programs. Deena is also undertaking doctoral research addressing "Urban Design Methods for Creating Better Urban Neighbourhoods: A Case Study of Design Participation with Young Adolescents".

Louise Crabtree-Hayes

Louise is an Associate Professor at the Institute of Society and Culture at Western Sydney University.

Louise's research focuses on the social, ecological and economic sustainability of community-driven housing developments in Australia and on the interfaces between sustainability, property rights, institutional design and democracy. She is Australia's leading expert on affordable and community-led housing in Australia, such as housing cooperatives and community land trusts.

Rae Dufty-Jones

Associate Professor Rae Dufty-Jones is an economic and social geographer who has expertise in public policy (specifically housing, regional development and internal migration). She is the President of the Geographical Society of New South Wales.

Rae's research has investigated: Australian housing policy and mobility; peri-urban economic development; the restructuring of horticultural industries; rural youth migration; and ethnic discrimination in housing.

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