

# Press release!

TTT Sustainable Makers Talk at Bogan House  
Thursday 6th March. 8pm £4 (£3 conc.)

**An Ecology of Making: A Community of Things**  
An exploration of craft, design and the aesthetics of sustainability

with Toni Spencer, Schumacher College and Sustainable Makers

“There is often an assumption that our move towards a more sustainable culture must involve a tightening of belts, a sense of loss, and an aesthetic that forgoes beauty. This talk will invite another way of taking this journey...” The talk will address topics such as material use, processes of making, community empowerment as well as other innovative and creative approaches.

From the cutting edge to timeless classics, Toni will tell stories and explore alternative ideas of person object relationships. In the socio-cultural context of the Transition

Town movement what delights can be found through the act of making together? Through a reconnection to place and to the land, what stories can be told to bring these relationships alive for others? The talk – with images and participation – will draw on examples from local makers, from global cultures and from the rich and diverse world of Eco Design.

**Toni Spencer** is a part time researcher and facilitator in education for sustainability at **Schumacher College**. She is also a freelance facilitator and curator in the field of sustainability with a particular passion for foraging, composting and urban edges. She combines her previous experience as a Lecturer in Eco Design at Goldsmiths College, with experience of living in community and a past life as one of the founding editors of Wallpaper\* Magazine.

Toni is a core group member of the TTT group **Sustainable Makers**, the members of which are artists and crafts people concerned with the social, cultural and economic role of the maker in this time of energy descent.