



For me, heritage is about relationship building—facilitating connections between groups who may value places and practices differently. Relationship building creates a better and more respectful future for everyone.

Dr Steve Brown Special Adviser

Dr Steve Brown, has over 35 years' experience in heritage management, heritage conservation and archaeology in government, private practice and academic research. Steve has undertaken fieldwork and research across Australia as well as World Heritage projects in Mongolia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Steve is an experienced project manager, skilled in field survey, site recording, and archaeological excavation. He also has skills in historical research, oral testimony, archival research and report writing. He was the lead author of the successful Budj Bim Cultural Landscape World Heritage Nomination.

Steve is an active member of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), International Union of Conservation of Nature (IUCN) World Commission on Protected Areas. He is the past president of the International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes, which undertakes heritage projects on a global scale. Steve is also a lecturer at the University of Canberra and regularly presents at conferences.

Qualifications

PhD (Heritage Studies), University of Sydney
 Graduate Certificate in Management, Curtin University
 BA (Hons) Archaeology/Anthropology, University of Western Australia

Professional affiliations

Member, Australia ICOMOS, 1989–present
 Member, IUCN Specialist Group on Cultural and Spiritual Values of Protected Areas, 2013–present
 Member, IUCN Specialist Group on Protected Landscapes, 2013–present

Key experience

Conservation management plans

- Old Great North Road, CMP Revision—Client: University of Canberra/NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services
- Hartley Historic Site CMP—on behalf of NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services
- Lake Condah Mission Victoria, CMP—on behalf of Aboriginal Affairs Victoria
- Macquarie Island Sub Antarctic (Tasmania), CMP—(for Tasmanian National Parks and Wildlife Services)

World heritage

- Budj Bim World Heritage Nomination Dossier (Lead Author)—Client: Context Pty Ltd/Aboriginal Victoria
- Connecting Practice Mongolia, Stage 1—Client: International ICOMOS
- Bikini Atoll Technical Evaluation, Republic of Marshall Islands—Client: International ICOMOS

Research projects

- NSW Aboriginal Law Reform, Comparative Review of Legislation—(for Office of Environment and Heritage)
- Toward a Cultural Landscapes Approach for NSW Protected Areas—Client: NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services (for Office of Environment and Heritage)

Regional studies

- Comprehensive Coastal Assessment, NSW: Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Data Audit—NSW Government (for Department of Conservation)
- Aboriginal Archaeological Sites in Eastern Tasmania—Client: (for Tasmanian National Parks and Wildlife Services)

Professional background

Special Adviser, GML Heritage, 2019–present
Lecturer, University of Canberra, 2018–2019
Lecturer in Heritage Studies, The University of Sydney, 2015–2017
PhD Candidate, The University of Sydney, 2010–2014
Cultural Heritage Researcher, Office of Environment and Heritage,
2005–2013
Archaeologist, Department of Environment and Conservation, 2004

Publications

Brown, S, with Geotcheus, C (eds), 'The Routledge Handbook of Cultural Landscapes', Routledge, forthcoming
Brown, S, with Verschuuren, B (eds), *Cultural and Spiritual Significance of Nature in Protected Areas: Governance, Management and Policy*, 2019
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Dean-Jones, P and Brown, S 2012, 'Forest as historic artefact: understanding cumulative landscape transformation in grazed and logged forests in northeast NSW', in Stubbs, B, Lennon, J, Specht, A and Taylor, J (eds), 'Australia's Ever changing forests VI: Proceedings of the Eighth National Conference on Australian Forest History', Australian Forest History Society, Lismore, pp 57–82