



Dan Koop

For many the Covid pandemic has been a difficult time to live through not least for the residents of Melbourne in Australia who may well have had to endure the longest lockdown of any city. For Dan Koop a curator and producer, the lockdown appears to have actually given him an opportunity to explore new ways of working, reconnecting with his immediate neighbourhood environment, as well as tackling common societal issues from a local perspective. I catch up with him midway through an extended European trip in a sunny afternoon in July 2024. We are walking together along an unmade road on the outskirts of Girona in Spain

20'12" 9.5 MB

Dan Koop's website: <https://www.dankoop.com/about/>

Dan studied for an MA in Art in Public Space at RMIT <https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/postgraduate-study/masters-by-coursework/master-of-arts-art-in-public-space-mc281> and is undertaking a PhD at Deakin University <https://www.deakin.edu.au/>

Zoom recorder: <https://zoomcorp.com/en/gb/handheld-recorders/>

Janet Cardiff - 'Whitechapel Library' Case Study B (1999): <https://www.artangel.org.uk/project/the-missing-voice-case-study-b/>

Clair Korobacz, Dan's partner, is a member of *once step at a time like this* that produced 'en route' <http://onestepatatimelikethis.com/project/en-route/#>

Dan was at the 2023 Walking Art Encounter in Prespa, Greece <https://icowaf.eetf.uowm.gr/2023/>
'The Market Research' - www.themarketresearch.com.au for project archive or direct to the podcast at <https://episodes.fm/1586076003> and www.instagram.com/themarketresearch.com.au on Instagram
'Front beach, Back beach' on the Mornington Peninsula: <https://fbbb.com.au/team>
'Flowing Loops' - www.flowingloops.com in which Dan followed rail lines and waterways to subvert Google maps and the road system, in the company of 6 different artists: for project archive or direct to the podcast at <https://episodes.fm/1760274197> and www.instagram.com/flowingloops on Instagram

Yarra river also known as the Birrarung: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yarra_River

Frisbee golf also known as Disc golf: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disc_golf

First Nations people / Wurundjeri and Bunurong and Boon Wurrung lands

Dan's recommended walks:

1. Following the Merri Merri Creek in Melbourne: <https://www.alltrails.com/trail/australia/victoria/yarra-river-loop-via-merri-creek>
2. Following the rivers on west coast of Tasmania: <https://www.alltrails.com/en-gb/australia/tasmania/west-coast>