

**Saturday 16 March 2013**

**ECIA Qld proudly presents the**

## **Early Childhood Intervention Expo**

### **What you can expect**

- A day filled with information, support and practical help from expert speakers
- The workshops will showcase an evidence based practical approach to working with young children with disabilities and developmental delays

### **Displays by other organisations**

- Information booths from other organisations specialising in Early Childhood

### **Speakers**

- Amanda Hartmann, *Speech Language Pathologist*
- May Britton, *Advisory Visiting Teacher Inclusion/ASD*
- Belinda Berrington, *Artistic Director, Green Mango Theatre*
  - Kate Cuskelly, *Education Qld Guidance Officer*



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**Registration 8:00am.**

**Various workshop sessions from 8.30am to 3.30pm**

**Venue : Riverglenn Conference Centre  
70 Kate St, Indooroopilly, Brisbane**

**Cost: \$110 MEMBERS**

**\$130 NON MEMBERS**

**Includes morning tea and a light lunch**

**For more information about attending the Expo or hosting a display booth for your organisation, please call (07) 3720 0952 or email [eciaqld@bigpond.com](mailto:eciaqld@bigpond.com)**

**You can register and pay for this event at  
[www.eciaqld.org.au](http://www.eciaqld.org.au)**

For onsite accommodation options go to [www.riverglenn.com.au](http://www.riverglenn.com.au)

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8:30am	Opening Address	
SESSION 1 9:00am to 10:30am	Presenter: May Britton An introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder	Presenter: Kate Cuskelly Promoting Positive behaviour in the classroom
10:30am to 11:00am	Morning Tea	
SESSION 2 11:00am to 12:30pm	Presenter: May Britton Impact of ASD in the early years centre	Presenter: Belinda Berrington Connecting Creatively
12:30pm to 1:15pm	Lunch	
SESSION 3 1:15pm to 2:45pm	Presenter: May Britton ASD Case Study, feedback and discussion	Presenter: Amanda Hartmann Multimodal Communication - Apps, signing, symbols and everything in between!
2:45pm to 3:30pm	Networking Drinks	

**Numbers are strictly limited**

**Book now to avoid disappointment**

Register online at [www.eciaqld.org.au](http://www.eciaqld.org.au)  
or use the attached registration form

## The Presentations

### **An introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder**

This interactive workshop will cover Autism and diagnosis issues. The presenter will look at “ what is ASD?”, and present a case study outline. The session will cover the core strengths and weaknesses of a young child with autism. Participants will gain insight into sensory and motor issues, intervention strategies and teaching solutions.

### **Impact of Autism Spectrum Disorder in the early years centre**

This workshop delves into the impact of the disability on learning and development; anxiety and behavioural issues. Includes ideas for possible interventions and strategies, including suggested support groups and possible funding.

### **Autism Spectrum Disorder Case Study, feedback and discussion**

This final ASD session will cover the case study feedback and extended discussions, including a question and answer session with the presenter.

*These ASD workshops are suitable for teachers, parents, paraprofessional teaching staff, undergraduate teachers, early childhood education and care staff, and anyone with an interest in young children with additional needs.*

### **Promoting positive behaviour in the classroom**

This session will present skills and strategies for promoting positive behavioural responses in young children. A practical approach to creating a classroom environment that teaches, encourages and reinforces positive behaviour. Participants will be given ideas and activities to support students who present with challenging behaviour. This presentation will give tips on developing collaborative partnerships between home and school to foster and shape positive behaviour across all contexts.

### **Connecting Creatively**

Get ready to super charge your creativity! A practical, hands on workshop focused on drama activities to use in the classroom. This workshop will help you connect with your own creativity and give you skills and ideas on how to plan, implement and enjoy drama, music and dance for early years needs students. Belinda works with the Song Room program which is a national not for profit organisation that provides free, tailored, long term music and arts-based programs for children in disadvantaged and high needs communities.

### **Multimodal Communication - Apps, signing, symbols and everything in between!**

Let's embrace all the different modes of communication we can use to help our students become better communicators! We will look at the latest and greatest communication apps as well as sign language and symbols. This workshop will give practical examples and ideas about how you can integrate both low-tech and high-tech strategies and resources to support the communication development of your students.

## The Presenters

### **Belinda Berrington, Artistic Director, Green Mango Theatre**

#### **Presenting: *Connecting Creatively***

Belinda Berrington has an extensive background in theatre, working as director, actor, writer, workshop facilitator, producer and artistic director. Belinda is a graduate of Griffith's BA Applied Theatre course and has a Masters degree in Education/Drama. She established Green Mango Theatre in 2003 producing street/fringe theatre, community cultural development projects and theatre in education. She is passionate about creating opportunities for young people to experience art in exciting and new ways, helping them to develop and grow through artistic mediums. Belinda has been a Teaching Artist with The Song Room since 2009.

### **May Britton, Advisory Visiting Teacher Inclusion/ASD**

#### **Presenting: *A Child With Autism Spectrum Disorder in the Early Years***

May's current position is AVT-Inclusion (SWDs with Challenging Behaviours) supporting schools and families who have students with significant behavioural challenges, mostly ASD. She has worked in EQ as a teacher for 30 years in a number of positions and as an AVT for over 11, in the areas of ASD, SLI & II. May gained a Masters in Special Education, specialising in Disability and Challenging Behaviour, specifically ASD. She is certified by IABA, trained personally by Gary LaVigna, to carry out Comprehensive Functional Analyses of Behaviour and to write Positive Behavioural Support plans. May finds supporting teachers, families and working with children who have ASD very rewarding.

### **Amanda Hartmann, Speech Language Pathologist**

#### **Presenting: *Multimodal Communication - Apps, signing, symbols & everything in between!***

Amanda Hartmann is a Speech-Language Pathologist with over 15 years experience which has led to a passion for working with children and young adults with disabilities. She has specialist skills and knowledge in Augmentative and Alternative Communication, Visual Communication and Technology. She started her career in Education Queensland and worked closely with teachers and parents in Special Facilities to implement successful communication programs. Nine years ago, Amanda became a Key Word Sign (formerly Makaton) Presenter and regularly presents workshops in Key Word Sign. She now divides her time between a busy private practice (4 Little Monkeys) and Spectronics, as an Inclusive Technology Consultant.

### **Kate Cuskelly, Education Queensland Guidance Officer**

#### **Presenting: *Promoting positive behaviour in the classroom***

Kate Cuskelly is a Developmental Guidance Officer with Education Queensland. Kate began her career as a primary teacher, moving into Special Education after completing a Masters degree in Special Education in the US in 1987. She completed a Masters degree in Guidance and Counselling and has worked as a Developmental Guidance Officer since 2001. Kate enjoys working with young children and their families, she is currently the school based Guidance Officer at a large primary school, provides support in two Early Childhood Development Programs (ECDP) and coordinates the Ipswich Management of Young Children Program (MYCP), a behaviour support program for children aged 3-7 years. Supporting teachers and parents to develop collaborative partnerships and encourage positive behaviour in young children is Kate's passion.

**You can also register online at [www.eciaqld.org.au](http://www.eciaqld.org.au)**

## REGISTRATION FORM

**Step 1** Register your interest and check seating availability.

**Email** [eciaqld@bigpond.com](mailto:eciaqld@bigpond.com) **Phone (07) 3720 0952** Mon & Tues 9am to 3pm

*THIS DOES NOT GUARANTEE YOUR SESSION PLACE*

**Step 2** Fill in and return this Registration Form

**Step 3** Pay to confirm your place by Direct Deposit, Cheque or Money Order. *Sorry, no credit cards accepted*

**Step 4** Your place at this session will be confirmed by ECIA email

**Registration enquiries phone** (07) 3720 0952 *Mon & Tues 9am to 3pm, other times leave a message*

**Content enquiries phone** 0410 682 468

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Role: \_\_\_\_\_  Special dietary requirements, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

**Please tick only one option per session**

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**Payment Amount: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Deposit (BSB 804 002. Acc 1208999 Account Name: ECIA Qld )

Reference - *Your name (ie John Smith)*

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