

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST for

Having a Say Conference 2011



'You Are The Voice'



This is a call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) from people with disability and disability groups who wish to **present** or **perform** at the **Having a Say Conference**.

Having a Say means having a voice

For the past eleven years the Having a Say Conference has been supporting people to find their voice.

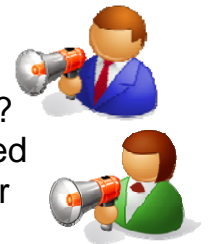


To speak up. To be heard. To be respected.

This is the conference where people listen to each other, not just to the speakers on stage. This is the conference where people respect each other's views and opinions, and celebrate their common cause.

You Are The Voice!

Do others hear your voice? Do others respect your views and opinions? For too long the voice of many people with a disability has been silenced by the views and opinions of others. Other people speak for, choose for and make decisions for people who often find it hard to speak up for themselves. The 12th VALID Having a Say Conference says **You Are The Voice!** Let's make the world try and understand it.



Join in the Chorus

Your voice is always loudest when you sing with others. The 12th VALID Having a Say Conference invites you to join with old friends and new friends to find your voice, and to join in the chorus. Together we will:

- Speak up for the rights of people with disabilities!
- Shout out against injustice and discrimination!
- Cry out for freedom and fairness!



(And along the way, laugh loud with joy, scream in surprise, yell in protest, howl in excitement....!!)

PRIORITY (who gets in first)

will be given to presentations/performances/displays that:

- involve people with disabilities in the planning & writing of the presentation
- are presented at the conference by people with disability
- are about the conference theme (see above)
- talk about achievements and contribution of people with disability



9th to 11th February 2011

Deakin University Waterfront Campus Geelong



YOUR DETAILS (applicant)



First Name: _____ Last Name: _____



Service Name (if you are coming with a service): _____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____



Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Mobile: _____

E-mail: _____



Things We Need To Know About Your Presentation



Tell your stories! Share your achievements!

What **type** of Presentation are you doing? (please tick ✓)

Performance



Presentation



Workshop



Individual Achievement



What is the **name** (title) of your presentation?



Please tell us **what topic your presentation is about** and how it works with the conference theme?



How have/will **people with disability be involved** in developing the presentation?





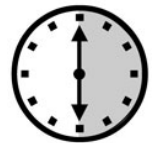
Names of Presenters - if you know now (to go in the conference program)

Three horizontal lines for writing names of presenters.

Important: A registration form is still required for all presenters even if you are only at the conference to make your presentation.

How much **time** do you need for your presentation? (please tick ✓)

- Individual Achievements 5-10 minutes
- 30 minutes (for most sessions)
- 1 hour
- Other



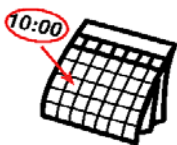
Equipment needed (please tick ✓)

- Overhead Projector
- White Board
- Other.....

NOTE: all rooms will have a Data Projector; Computer & DVD player
Audio/visual technical assistance will be available if needed

Room Set Up (please tick ✓)

- Workshop (tables & chairs)
- Theatre Style (rows of chairs)

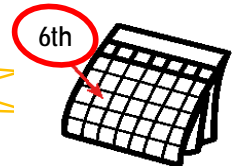


When do you want to do your presentation?

Do you have a **preferred day** 9th, 10th & 11th or **time**?

- No, any day or time
- Yes (day/time) _____

Return your completed EOI form to **VALID BY 6th August 2010:**



The Program Selection Sub Committee will let everyone (applicants) know if their EOI was accepted to be in the Program by **mid September 2010.**



COME & TRY ACTIVITIES



We are looking for groups or people who would be willing to run a 'Come & Try' activity at the Having a Say Conference. There are regular activities like art, music and football etc. which are always looking for facilitators. We would also like to hear from you if you are interested in running a new activity eg: candle making at the conference.

Please leave your name and contact details below and the VALID office will be in touch to discuss details, resources and any support that you may require to run the session.

Name: _____

Phone/email: _____

Activity (eg: Art): _____

More Information



For more information about Having a Say 2011 or for a copy of this form in any other formats (large print) please contact the VALID Office



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