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Having a Say Conference 2021

Preliminary Program

As of 19th May 2021

15th – 17th June 2021

Deakin University, Waterfront Campus
1 Gheringhap Street, Geelong



Having a Say Forever!

In 2021, the VALID Having a Say Conference is being held in June. This is to give us the best chance of getting everyone together, without the threat of the virus spoiling our fun.

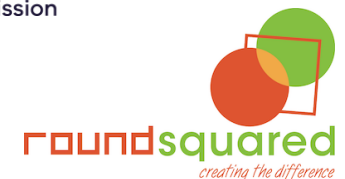
And don't worry, even if the virus hangs around until June and thinks it can spoil our party, it's got another thing coming!

As well as planning for our annual get together in Geelong, we're planning the biggest and best on-line conference the Universe has ever seen!

It will be **'in person' and online**, so everyone can join in.

Come along to celebrate your best friend – the person or people who have helped get you through. Because, just like Queen also sang, *We've Got to Break Free!*

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








More Information available:




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Tuesday 15th June 2021

Open at 8.30am	Grab your Registration Package, get a Coffee & start planning your day!							
10.30am – 12noon	  	<p>Welcome to Country</p> <p>Official Opening by Vice-Chancellor, Deakin University, Professor Iain Martin</p> <p>Welcome to Geelong: Mayor, City of Greater Geelong (TBC)</p> <p>Keynote: Simon Duffy, President of the Citizen Network Coop. England</p> <p>‘Friends help us move Beyond’, performance by Sunshine Troupe Qld</p> <p>Presentation: Uli Kaplan, intro to ‘Life is a Battlefield Documentary’ Open Microphone</p>						
12noon - 1.30pm	 Have lunch with friends at the Waterfront Café or in the Courtyard and check out the Our Choice Expo							
1.30pm - 2.30pm	<p>Performance</p> <p>‘Connecting the World: Smoke Signals to Smart Phone’</p> <p>(Antz Pantz Arts with Thumbs Up)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Costa Hall</p>	<p>VALID Stream</p> <p>‘Creating Inclusive Communities: Active citizens making a difference’</p> <p>(VALID Community Development team)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Blue Room</p>	<p>Individual Stories</p> <p>Best Friends Stories</p> <p>Wheeling & Walking group (genU)</p> <p>‘Sport connections’ (Jay Ennor)</p> <p>‘Adapting to restrictions’ (Robert North)</p> <p>My Future with.... (Julian McAlpine)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yellow Room</p>	<p>Presentation</p> <p>‘Best Friends: who they are & why they matter’ (Speakers Bk)</p> <p>‘Making my documentary Dare to Win: Life is a battlefield’ (Uli Kaplan)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Green Room</p>	<p>Come & Try</p> <p>Art Colouring for Adults</p> <p>Gentle Tango</p> <p>Speed Friendship</p> <p style="text-align: center;">  Meet in Courtyard </p>	<p>Come & Try</p> <p>Crochet</p> <p>Self-Advocacy Bingo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ONLINE only</p>	<p>Inclusion Aust. Stream</p> <p>‘Talking about work’ (Inclusion Aust)</p> <p>‘I truly love my work’ (Bella White)</p> <p>‘Finding friendly Support’ (Thea Calzoni & Pippa)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pink Room</p>	
2.30 - 3pm	 Afternoon Tea break							
	Foyer							

Tuesday 15th June 2021

3.00pm - 4.00pm	<p>Open Microphone</p> <p>'On the Couch with Heather and Guests'</p> <p>- this is your chance to get up on stage and 'have your say'</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Costa Hall</p>	<p>VALID Stream</p> <p>'Creating Inclusive Communities: Active citizens making a difference'</p> <p>(VALID Community Development team)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Blue Room</p>	<p>Presentation</p> <p>'LGBTIQA+ Chat Time' (Deakin Uni)</p> <p>'My Identity, My Choice: Supporting LGBTIQA+ Expression' (Yooralla)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yellow Room</p>	<p>Presentation</p> <p>'How to get Legal help' (Vic. Legal Aid)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">—————</p> <p>'WWDA website resources' (Women With Disability Australia - WWDA)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Green Room</p>	<p>Come & Try</p> <p>Art Creative Writing Dream catchers Karaoke</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Meet in Courtyard</p>	<p>Come & Try</p> <p>Yoga TBC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ONLINE only</p>	<p>Inclusion Aust. Stream</p> <p>'Making Decisions Real'</p> <p>(Inclusion Australia)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pink Room</p>
7.00pm	<p>Red Faces Auditions</p> <p>Contestants will sing, dance & entertain you as they audition. (Note: finals on Thur. 17th at 12 noon)</p>						
	<p><i>The Sphinx</i></p>						

Acronyms:

BDRC - Barwon Disability Resource Council
 C&T - Come & Try activities
 DSNT - Down Syndrome Northern Territory
 NDIS - National Disability Insurance Scheme
 NSWCID- NSW Council for Intellectual Disability

PHN - Primary Healthcare Network
 QSC - Quality & Safeguards Commission
 SA - South Aust. Council for Intellectual Disability
 TBC - To Be Confirmed
 VLA - Victorian Legal Aid

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Wednesday 16th June 2021

Open at 8.30am	Grab your Registration Package if its your first dayget a Coffee & start planning your day! 						
9.30am - 10.30am	Performance by last year's Red Faces winner Keynote Presentation: Dan Stubbs, Victorian Disability Workers Commissioner 'Sing Song Singers' performance (Down Syndrome NT) Presentation: Disability Royal Commissioner (TBC) / Open Microphone						
10.30am - 11 am	 Morning Tea						
11.00am - 12.00pm	Keynote Session Big changes at the NDIS including Independent Assessments Costa Hall	VALID Stream P.S. Project - Connecting people from institutions in Victoria 'Justice for All project' (VALID Project team) Blue Room	Workshop 'Why Friendship Matters' Stories by writers from the Dulcie Stone Writers Award Yellow Room	Presentation Best Friends & their role in my life (Speakers Bank) 'How I got where I am today' (Dawn Whitehead) Green Room	Come & Try Badgemaking Card Making Dreamcatchers Karaoke  Meet in Courtyard	Come & Try Creative Writing Yoga ONLINE ONLY	Inclusion Aust. Stream 'Friendship Circle of Self-advocates' (Reinforce) 'Comican't' (Rollercoaster Theatre Co.) Pink Room
12.00pm - 1.30pm	Have lunch with friends and look at the Our Choice Expo 						

Note: Come & Try Activities


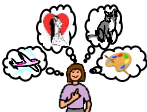





Be sure to check the starting time for your C&T activities & aim to be at your meeting area **15 minutes before it starts**

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1.30pm – 2.30pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Performance</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Making Music with my Friends (JAM Music Therapy)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ellie B. with a song about friends</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Costa Hall</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">VALID Stream</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘What is the difference between SDA, ILO & SIL? Session will also include discussion Housing options (VALID Family team)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Blue Room</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dreams & Aspirations (VALID)</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Yellow Room</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Presentation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Connections TV (genU)</p> <hr style="width: 10%; margin: auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Best Friends & Staying Connected During Covid-19 (Distinctive Options)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Green Room</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Come & Try</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Karaoke Indoor Adaptive Games Self-Advocacy Bingo</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Meet in Courtyard</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Come & Try</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TBC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Online Only</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Inclusion Aust. Stream</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Disability Royal Commission</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- ‘Your Story’ (VLA)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- Independent Disability Support Services (Drummond St)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pink Room</p>	
2.30 - 3.00pm	<i>Foyer</i>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">  <p>Afternoon Tea break</p> </div>						
3.00pm - 4.00pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Keynote Session</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘Disability Royal Commission issues including things you should know before you testify’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Costa Hall</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">VALID Stream</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Self-Advocacy Networks & VALID8 (VALID Self-Advocacy team)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Blue Room</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop</p> <p style="text-align: center;">How to make a Complaint to the NDIS QSC -Quality & Safeguards Commission (QSC)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yellow Room</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘Our Rights to Safety & Respect - Violence Prevention’& Our Community (WDV) Open to females, trans & those who identify as female only</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Orange Room</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Come & Try</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Colouring for Adults Gentle Tango Hair & Make Up</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Meet in Courtyard</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Come & Try</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Card making Speed Friendship</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Online Only</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Inclusion Aust. Stream</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘Decisions, Decisions’ (NSWCID/SACID)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Decisions (with a little help from my friends) (NSWCID)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pink Room</p>	
6.45pm - 10.30pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Conference Dinner & Disco</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Come dressed up to represent your favourite ‘Song about Friends’ and dance with our Band - ‘<i>Unlimited</i>’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Opening - live entertainment & performance by Loud & Clear Q’ld & Spiral</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The Pier</i></p>			<p style="text-align: center;">Dinner & Chat</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Guest speaker: Kevin Stone AM ‘The VALID story.... 33 years of fighting for the rights of people with disability’</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Wah Wah Gee restaurant (right hand side of The Pier)</i></p>				



Thursday 17th June 2021

Open at 8.30am	 Grab your Registration Package if it's your first dayget a Coffee & start planning your day!						
<i>Foyer</i>							
9.30am – 10.15am	Performance 'Never far far away' (BAM Arts) TBC Costa Hall	VALID Stream Disability Awards (City of Grtr Geelong) 'Using Creativity to Empower accessibility' (Jerusha Mather) Blue Room	Presentation Dreams & Aspirations (VALID)  Yellow Room	Presentation Easy English Booklets (Palliative Care Vic) "My Challenges & How I'm Supported" (Brennan Reid) Green Room	Workshop 'Looking after yourself – skills for dealing with life's challenges' (SACID) Orange Room	Come & Try Badgemaking  Meet in Courtyard Speed Friendship Online Only	Inclusion Australia Stream How families and supporters can make complaints to the NDIS QSC (NDIS QSC) Pink Room
10.15am - 10.45am	 Morning Tea break						
<i>Foyer</i>							
10.45am - 11.30am	Performance 'Best Friends Song' (Musicspace) 'Stay Here with my Friends' (Mambourin Choir) 'Thinking Out Loud' (Patrick Francis) Costa Hall	VALID Stream 'Staying Safe' (VALID Keys to Success Program) Blue Room	Workshop 'Say it Loud, Say it Proud' (BDRC) 'How to keep friends using online resources' (Andrew Radford) Yellow Room	Individual Stories 'Youth, work and friendship - On Line' (Allycia Staples) My Story (Judy Kelly) 'Being Healthy in the Community' (Leah Scott) Green Room	Come & Try Colouring for Adults Indoor Adaptive Games  Meet in Courtyard	Come & Try Self-Advocacy Bingo Online Only	Inclusion Australia Stream 'Getting Better Health Care' (Brian Donovan & Western Vic. PHN) Pink Room
11.30am - 12 noon	Brunch						
<i>Foyer</i>							
12 noon – 1.00pm	  CLOSING CEREMONY Red Faces Competition Final						
<i>Costa Hall</i>	'Pentland - Banfield' Self Advocacy Award sponsored by Deakin Uni Sir Robert Martin Award Barbara Donovan & Sarah Guilfoil <u>Art Competition Prizes</u> sponsored by Victorian Senior Practitioner					