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NEWS

Order our "Do it yourself Disability Training Manual" now and save time and money.
The Manual has 14 modules covering a range of disability issues including: legislation, communication, understanding inclusion, disability action planning, duty of care, dispelling myths and more.

The manual covers all disability types and is available electronically or in hard copy. Each module is $50.00 or for ACEDN members only $35.00.

Whole manual cost is $350 or $300 for ACEDN Members. To order contact: olympiat@yooralla.com.au or ph: (03) 9916 5821

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please support our efforts to improve the inclusion of people with disabilities and our ability to continue to support and inform you by becoming a member of our Network. The cost is only $50.00 per annum.

This entitles you to one free consultation and discounts for the manual, training and more.

Please contact: olympiat@yooralla.com.au or ph: (03) 9916 5821 to arrange.

EVENTS

The *Rob McNamara Exhibition* is an annual mixed-media showcase of work by artists with and without disability.

Call For Works - *only 2 weeks to go!*

field invites established and emerging artists of all mediums to explore the theme '*Conversations on the cusp of change'* and to submit artworks for possible inclusion in the 2012 Rob McNamara Exhibition.

The 2012 Rob McNamara Exhibition will run from *3 -16 August at Collingwood Gallery* on Smith Street in Collingwood, Victoria.

How to Enter

Entries are due by 5pm on Friday 22 June, 2012.

Tel: 03 9982 0108 or 03 9982 0100 for entry details

Email: steph.tout@field.org.au

TRAINING

Melbourne Deaf Expo and Information Forum

When: Saturday 27th October 2012   Time: 10:00am-4:00pm
Where: Royal Melbourne Showgrounds

Come along and learn more about services, technology, arts and sports, education, employment, interpreting and much more.

For more information contact Deaf Expo Co-ordinator David Peters:
dpeters@vicdeaf.com.au

Education and Training - Epilepsy Information in Narre Warren

If you, a family member or friend has epilepsy, this FREE session will help you gain a greater understanding of epilepsy and how to manage the condition including useful first aid knowledge.

Topics covered include:
• What is epilepsy?
• Different seizure types
• Triggers and causes
• Diagnosis and treatment
• Safety and lifestyle issues
• First aid for seizures
• Living with epilepsy

Date: **Wednesday 20 June 2012**
Time: 12.00noon – 2.00pm
Address: City of Casey, Civic Centre Magid Drive, Narre Warren
RSVP is essential
Ph 1300 852853 or 03 98059111   or   email to: mgreen@epilepsy.asn.au

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Ready Scholarships

Board Ready! is a new initiative to support people with a disability in the *North and West* region of Melbourne to be active participants on the boards, committees and advisory bodies of Community Service Organisations that deliver Disability Services.

The scholarship will financially support applicants to participate in a number of Melbourne based governance development programs during 2012 and 2013.

There is a range of courses on offer, for those with no experience through to Director level.

The first funding round closes 30 June.

The scholarship is from the Enhancing Sector Capacity Initiative, Disability Services, Department of Human Services and the scholarship is administered by Melbourne City Mission.

To download the information and application form, visit:
http://www.daru.org.au/resource/board-ready-scholarships

To register your interest, contact:
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What is assistive technology?

Assistive technology can eliminate barriers to education and enhance access to information. It enables users who may be blind or vision impaired to read course material, conduct research and secure employment.

Assistive technology is software and hardware that enables people who are blind or have low vision to access reading material in a format of their choice, whether this is audio, large print, braille or electronic information.

This technology is essential for accessing computer software in areas such as word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. It also enables access to the internet and email applications, as well as note-taking in class. These assistive technologies include computers with speech output, electronic braille displays and devices for electronically scanning printed material.

For more information about assistive technology contact the **Vision Australia AT Helpdesk**

Phone: 1300 84 74 66   or   **Email:** athelp@visionaustralia.org

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