

TRANS TASMAN CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

— please forward this to colleagues who may be interested

READING CRITICAL: DEVELOPING READERS IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

‘The time is now absolutely right for reader development to take off in libraries’ Shirley Prescott

When Friday 11 April - Saturday 12 April 2008

Where State Library of Victoria conference centre, Melbourne

This third annual Auslib conference will be of special interest to public librarians, publishers, booksellers and literary groups.

Reading critical will have international, Australian and New Zealand speakers, panel sessions, targeted recommendations and full published proceedings. Its main aims are to

- o Encourage, facilitate and celebrate the unique role of libraries in intervention to bring reading to the heart of connected communities.
- o Increase the awareness of librarians and others about adult reader development initiatives now occurring internationally, and in Australia and New Zealand.

Possible themes include (please x items of special interest to you)

Reader development and library strategic planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	Book clubs, reading groups, online book groups	<input type="checkbox"/>
The reader at the centre of all reader development	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reader development agencies and partnerships	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reader advisory services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reader development networks	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading and adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	Websites and online tools	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading and home library services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Selection and collection building	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading and older adults	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tools for choosing books	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading and LOTE	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reader friendly libraries	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading and Indigenous people	<input type="checkbox"/>	Organising libraries for easier reader access	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading and people with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Promoting and displaying reading	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading and people with reading and learning difficulties	<input type="checkbox"/>	Technology to access and use books	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bibliotherapy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Staff education and training for reader development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Events and festivals	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marketing reader development to funders	<input type="checkbox"/>

I suggest the following additional themes _____

I am interested in attending the conference

I suggest _____ as a speaker on the topic of _____

I am interested in presenting a 30 minute paper. Proposals from New Zealand are particularly welcome! Accepted speakers will receive free conference registration, will be expected to participate in a panel session at the end of the day they are speaking, *and will need to provide promptly a full written paper for the conference proceedings.* Please outline your proposed paper here in about 40 words

Name _____ Position _____

Organisation _____

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Please return by Friday 7 September 2007 to

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