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1. VALBEC 2019 Conference - registrations filling fast

Resilience: connect, educate, empower 
VALBEC Conference • May 17, 2019

Places are filling up – select your sessions when you register.

Try taking a dip into the digital with these sessions:

'[Support CALD learners to be responsible digital citizens](#)' - Shruti Malavde will show you how to help students with

- Device security
- Privacy settings
- Identity theft

'[Blended Learning in the SEE program](#)' – Hanne Decat and Luke Treadwell will show how they have integrated classroom delivery, digital literacy and independent learning.

[Session details and register here](#)

2. Positivity – Change – Leadership • FREE VALBEC forum

16 May, 6: 00 – 8:00pm,

William Angliss Institute Conference Centre, 555 La Trobe Street, Melbourne

An evening with Dr Kirke Olson Psy.D., Sher Kamman Psy.D., and Marie McLeod in conversation with Linno Rhodes.

Join Linno in conversation with Kirke, Sher and Marie as they explore ways leaders and managers in Adult Community Education can use the tools of Positive Psychology to:

- Work with staff to identify organisational and individual strengths

- Create positive and welcoming approaches to change
- Build an atmosphere of resilience and optimism.
- Help each other flourish in the workplace

[More details and registration](#)

3. Fine Print is out now

If you are a VALBEC member you have probably just received your latest copy of Fine Print (and if you haven't, it won't be far away).

For this issue, we asked some graphic design students to give us their visual take on the theme of literacy.

We've reproduced Stella Windridge's playful contribution here so you can appreciate the original colour version. Shaira Martinez's response to our brief combines written and visual texts and in the journal we offer some suggestions for how you might use it as a conversation starter with your students.

If you're not an individual member of VALBEC (and even if you are) you can ask your institution's library to subscribe to Fine Print so you can share it with your colleagues.

[More information](#)

Please contact fineprint@valbec.org if you have a proposal for a future article or review.



4. Learn Local Awards

The Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE) Board's Victorian Learn Local Awards celebrate the outstanding achievements of those within the Learn Local education and training sector.



The Learn Local education and training sector plays a major role in the development of local individuals, businesses and communities throughout Victoria. It delivers the skills that support our economy and underpin the inclusiveness of our communities. The Awards are an opportunity to showcase this valuable work.

Nominations close **14 June, midnight.**

[Submit your nomination](#)

5. Nominate for the Victorian Training Awards

Victorian Training Awards

Nominations are open for the 65th Anniversary Awards, which recognise and honour the outstanding achievements of individuals and organisations in the Victorian TAFE and training sector.



The VTAs provide a unique opportunity to be rewarded and recognised for excellence, achievement and endeavour. They are open to individual students and teachers, training organisations and employers. You can self-nominate or nominate an outstanding staff member, colleague or student who you believe is deserving of recognition.

Entries close at midnight on Friday 3 May.

Contact 1800 290 650 or victorian.training.awards@edumail.vic.gov.au.

[Full details](#)

6. Reading Writing Hotline Anniversary

Reading Writing Hotline
1300 6 555 06



Congratulations to the Reading and Writing Hotline's 25th Anniversary.

The occasion was celebrated in Sydney on 15 April, where many committed adult literacy providers and practitioners gathered. The Reading and Writing Hotline is as relevant today as it was 25 years ago.

Fun fact – did you know that the R&W hotline came to be through the popular TV show – The Reading and Writing Roadshow?

You can view all the R&W Hotline ads [here](#).

7. Learn Local Course Guide

A Learn Local Course Guide has been developed. The Guide was launched by the Minister for Training and Skills and has been strongly endorsed by Learn Local providers as a valuable marketing and promotion tool. The Guides have been designed for public display and to enable staff in community organisations to better understand and refer adult learners to appropriate local training options.

April- May: Distribution of Course Guides to key organisations by Learn Local providers.

8. VALBEC membership is now due



Beat the crowd!
Avoid the queues!
Reduce our admin!

[Renew now \(pay online or get an invoice\)](#)

9. Last week to apply for ISSI Fellowship

VET International Practitioner Fellowships

Applications close this Friday

Still time to apply - submit your application today!

Applications for 2019 Fellowships must be received by 4pm on Friday 3rd of May, 2019.

If you have any questions please call us (03) 9347 4583

[More details](#)



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