

The International Consortium on Hallucination Research presents...

Hearing Voices and Hallucinations: Research, Practice and Recovery

Public Conference: Wed 21st Oct. 2015

St Vincent's Hospital, Fitzroy, Melbourne



The *International Consortium on Hallucinations Research (ICHR)* is pleased to announce a public conference for the 3rd bi-annual meeting in Melbourne, hosted by Prof Susan Rossell and Dr Neil Thomas of Swinburne University of Technology. The conference will feature international experts discussing the current state-of-the-art in understanding hearing voices and other hallucinations, covering phenomenology, cognition, neuroscience and therapeutic approaches. The conference will be of interest to people who experience voices/hallucinations, practitioners, researchers, and family members. Our speakers will include:

Iris Sommer (Netherlands). Professor of Psychiatry and head of the Voices Clinic at UMC Utrecht Brain Centre. One of the most prolific hallucinations researchers internationally, Professor Sommer has expertise in voice phenomenology, mechanisms of voices, and a variety of treatment approaches.

Renaud Jardri (France). Professor of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry at School of Medicine, Lille University. Professor Jardri has expertise in hearing voices in childhood, on the neuroscience of hallucinations, and has recently been leading the development of mobile apps to help young people describe their voices.

John Farhall. Associate Professor of Clinical Psychology, La Trobe University. Dr Farhall is one of Australia's longest standing leaders in psychological approaches for voices and psychosis and their dissemination in services.

Todd Woodward (Canada). Director of the Cognitive Neuroscience of Schizophrenia Laboratory at the University of British Columbia, Professor Woodward conducts research on hallucination mechanisms.

Barnaby Nelson. Associate Professor at Orygen Youth Health, Dr Nelson is a researcher and clinical psychologist with expertise in phenomenology and the role of self in the early stages of psychosis.

Craig Steel (UK). Deputy Director, Charlie Waller Institute, University of Reading. Dr Steel is a psychologist with interests in the relationship between trauma and mechanisms of psychosis and in therapeutic approaches for voices.

Kellie Stastny. A board Member of Intervoice, and mental health worker with Gateway Health, Ms Stastny has drawn on her lived experience of hearing voices to play a key role in developing hearing voices groups in Australia.

Ben Alderson-Day (UK). Dr Alderson-Day is a researcher with the University of Durham's Hearing the Voice Project, a world-leading interdisciplinary research program combining phenomenology, philosophy, neuroscience, medical humanities, and therapeutic approaches to understanding hearing voices.

Clara Strauss (UK). A clinical psychologist and researcher at Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Dr Strauss is a world leader in the application of mindfulness to hearing voices.

Mark Hayward (UK). Director of Research, Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Brighton. Dr Hayward is a leader in the development of psychological therapies for voices, with a particular focus on working therapeutically with relationship between the hearer, voices and others.

Johanna Badcock. Research Professor, University of Western Australia. Professor Badcock is a clinical psychologist and researcher who has particular expertise in the cognitive mechanisms of hearing voices and hallucinations.

Flavie Waters. Dr Waters is scientific chair of the International Consortium on Hallucinations Research, whose own research on hallucinations has been influential in understanding their associated cognitive processes.

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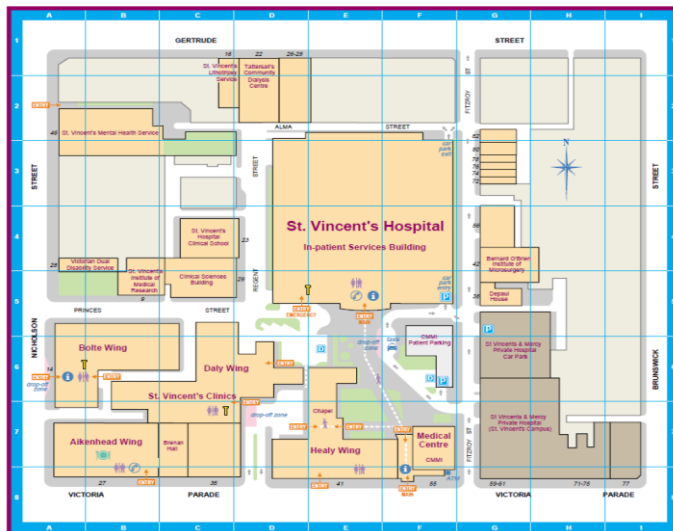
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Venue

9.00am - 6.30pm Wednesday the 21st of October

Brennan Hall, Aikenhead Building (cnr Victoria Pde & Nicholson St), St Vincent's Hospital, Fitzroy VIC 3065



Accommodation

Accommodation recommendations include Glenferrie Hotel, Quest Hawthorn, Mantra on the Park & Hotel Windsor. For more information regarding room types, available rates and booking details, please refer to the ICHR website:

<https://hallucinationconsortium.files.wordpress.com/2015/06/accommodation-options-ichr-conference-june-2015.docx>.

Transport & parking

Public transport: **City-loop train** (stop: Parliament Station); Trams **86 & 96** (stop: Nicholson St); Trams **23, 30, 34 & 109** (stop: Victoria Pde). For more details, visit www.ptv.vic.gov.au.

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