



ASLIA NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2009
Depends on the context: Unpacking the interpreter

24 July 2009

Dear Principal/Deaf program co-ordinator,

The Australian Sign Language Interpreters National Conference (ANC) will be held across 19-24 August this year in Melbourne, Victoria. This event is the largest ever gathering of Auslan interpreters and allied professionals ever held in Australia with around 250 delegates. The theme of ANC is “Depends on the context: Unpacking the interpreter”.

I have attached a flier which describes a competition being run in conjunction with ANC. We are looking for deaf students aged 3-18 to submit one piece of visual work related to our conference theme.

All students who enter the competition will receive a certificate of participation. The winning entry and runners up will be featured in the new national ASLIA Interpreters magazine, *Across the Board* and on the website of the National ASLIA association.

First prize in this competition is a Wii game console for the entry chosen by our international judges – Prof Robert Pollard and Ms Robyn Dean from the University of Rochester, USA, and Mr Nigel Howard, Deaf interpreter from Canada. There will also be several prizes for runners up and their schools. These will all be announced during ANC, and all entries will be on display throughout the event for our delegates to enjoy.

We hope that you will consider passing this information to the staff member at your school who would be able to co-ordinate this. Students can submit *one* entry each, no larger than A3 size, and must accompany this with the entry form included here.

As this event is about celebrating the work of *all* sign language interpreters working in Australia (and in this competition, especially those working in schools), we ask that the students do not name or identify any particular interpreters in their entries.

Entries must be received by 5pm on Friday 15 August by post to:

ANCo9 deaf student's competition

C/o ASLIA Vic

340 Albert Street

East Melbourne

VIC 3002

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us directly. We look forward to seeing your students' work!

Regards,

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Age:

School:

State: