

'We often hear fellow educators say, "We're doing differentiation in our school this year.... Not surprisingly then, we also hear, "our teachers know about differentiation, but nobody seems to do much with it in their classrooms".... It's positive that educators are having a conversation about how to teach with an eye to individual learner needs. There is more than ample evidence of a need for that conversation.'

Carol Ann Tomlinson (2005)

Join us in August 2009  
to  
continue our conversations.

### Venue

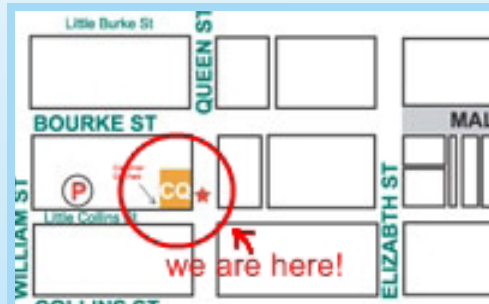
CQ's Function Centre, located on Queen St in the heart of the city, is the ideal place for a conference. The recently refurbished venue provides state of the art presentation facilities and flexible, air conditioned spaces for delegates to enjoy the variety of sessions. And for those 'continuing conversations' there are plenty of comfy chairs tucked away for networking.

### Accommodation

There is also a wide choice of hotel and restaurant facilities both within the complex and close by for those who wish to extend their conference experience. For details visit our website - [www.vagtc.asn.au](http://www.vagtc.asn.au)

### Location

CQ Functions is situated at 113 Queen Street, between Bourke and Little Collins Streets. CQ is easily accessible by public transport. On-site parking (off Little Collins St) and overflow parking within 3 minutes walk.  
Melway Reference : 1A H6



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A Conference  
about Differentiation for  
Gifted Students

12th - 13th August 2009



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The VAGTC is pleased to bring Carol Ann Tomlinson to Melbourne. Carol Ann is an outstanding teacher whose practical approach to differentiation is powerful and inspiring.

Carol Ann Tomlinson's career as an educator includes 21 years as a public school teacher, 12 of those years as a program administrator of special services for struggling and advanced learners. Currently, Tomlinson is a Professor of Educational Leadership at the University of Virginia, where she was named Outstanding Professor in 2004. She is also Co-Director of the University's Institutes on Academic Diversity.

Special interests throughout Tomlinson's career have been curriculum and instruction for struggling learners and advanced learners, effective instruction in heterogeneous settings and encouraging creative and critical thinking in the classroom. She works throughout the U.S. and abroad with teachers whose goal is to develop more responsive heterogeneous classrooms.



## Programme

The Conference: two days to join with professionals across the field of gifted education. The sessions provide a balance of research and classroom practice designed to inform, challenge and support effective teaching and learning for gifted students. Carol Ann Tomlinson will lead delegates across a number of sessions over the two days. Delegates will also have the opportunity to work with invited speakers including Jan Elsner, Leonie Kronborg, Wilma Vialle, Ruth Targett, Margaret Plunkett and Christine Ireland. Classroom practitioners and other professionals working in the area of gifted education will also share their knowledge and expertise.

### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August

- 7:30** Registration
- 8:45** Opening Ceremony
- 9:30** Keynote
- 10:45** Morning Tea
- 11:15** Mini Keynote (75 minutes)
- 12:30** Lunch
- 1:30** Classroom Practice 1
- 2:30** Classroom Practice 2
- 3:30** Afternoon Tea & Continuing Conversations

### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August

- 8:00** Registration
- 8:30** Introduction
- 9:00** Keynote
- 10:30** Morning Tea
- 11:00** Mini Keynote
- 12:15** Lunch
- 1:15** Classroom Practice 3
- 2:15** Classroom Practice 4
- 3:15** Forum and Conference Close

## Registration Form

Tax invoice

**ABN: 93 904 346 898**

This document constitutes a tax invoice when you make a payment.

Please retain a copy for your records.

### Conference Costs

Full Cost	
VAGTC/AEAGT Members	\$450.00
Non Members	\$495.00
Early Bird Registration (Closes April 30 <sup>th</sup> 2009)	
VAGTC/AEAGT Members	\$400.00
Non members	\$425.00
All prices include GST	

- ✓ Registration includes entrance to all Conference sessions, morning tea, afternoon tea and lunch on both days, and one set of Conference materials.
- ✓ For schools sending four or more staff members please contact the VAGTC for a further discount.

Name: Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr .....

School:.....

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Is your school a current member of the VAGTC? YES / NO

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