



Saturday, 26 July 2025 - Royal International Convention Centre, RNA Showgrounds						
8:25am	Acknowledgement of Country: 'Gurrl Storm Bird' book reading with Trevor Fourmile					
8:40am	Welcome presentations					
9:00am	Opening Keynote: Clare Bowditch 'Rediscovering Joy Through Creative Care: Small Acts, Big Impact'					
9:45am	MORNING TEA					
10:45am	BREAKOUT SESSION 1					
	Cultural Identity and Cultural Responsiveness Deb Belyea	Restoring Children's Rights to Play, Wonder, and Nature. A Community Classroom Approach Georgina Bryce C&K Canungra	Inclusion as a Culture Lisa Liddell & Tennille Zammit C&K South Coast West Team	Focusing in on the Quality Language Interactions in Infant-Toddler Programs Professor Sheila Degotardi	Story Drama - How to Bring Story Books to Life with Drama Adrienne Jones QPAC 	Movement & Dance Embodied Learning for Early Childhood Renee Place QPAC 
11:30am	ROOM CHANGE					
11:45am	BREAKOUT SESSION 2					
	Practical Tools for Growing Executive Functioning Skills in Young Learners Morgan Tyson Macgregor Consulting	Choose Joy! Dr Olivia Karaolis & Dr Cathy Little	Building Relationships in Reconciliation Chriss Wallwork Reconciliation Australia	Sparking Joy: Digital Play with Purpose Rachel Minns Culture Tech	Story Drama - How to Bring Story Books to Life with Drama Adrienne Jones QPAC 	Movement & Dance Embodied Learning for Early Childhood Renee Place QPAC 
	The Mosaic of Marks – Spaces of Solidarity and Participation Lucia Stacchiotti Reggio Emilia Australia					
12:30pm	LUNCH					
1:30pm	Movement Break with Neridah Waters of The Common People Dance Project					
2:00pm	Keynote: Adjunct Professor Julie Dunn 'The Playful and Creative Educator as a Key Supporter of Children's Dramatic Play'					
2:45pm	BREAKOUT SESSION 3					
	Finding Your Professional Joy! Catharine Hydon	From Snapshots to Safety Tracy Shields & Kate Redward C&K Central	From Frogs to Polar Bears: Exploring 'Caring for Country' Through Cultural Intelligence Carmen Pedroni C&K Tully Community Kindergarten	Creating a Language and Culture Program that Becomes the Heart of your Practice Amanda Hawkes Kuranda Community Kindergarten	Powerful Questions to Nurture Curiosity in Global Citizenship Vicky Olm & Rebecca Bowen C&K Metro North Coast Team	Rhymes & Rhythms Tammie Harris, Liz Gemmell, Penelope Savage, & Tracy Moir C&K Childcare Operations Team
3:30pm	ICE CREAMS					
3:45pm	Closing Keynote: Aunty Sharron mirii Bell 'Echoes of Connection'					
4:15pm	Closing remarks and launch of 2026 Conference theme					
4:30pm	Conference closes.					



When you see this symbol, it means a session is repeated. We hope this will help everyone get to these popular sessions.