

Advance Notice & Call for Papers

Cinderella Dressed in

a conference on the folklore of children's play

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Submissions:

Submissions are invited for papers to be delivered for 20mins plus 5 mins Q&A.

Submissions must be presented by email to cinderella@malarkeyevents.com.au as a Word doc or pdf with an abstract of no more than 500 words, indicating if the presentation requires visual and/or audio support. Please use Times New Roman font in 12pt with double spacing.

Submissions must also include:

- :: Your name
- :: Your title/position
- :: Your affiliation

Conference Theme:

The general theme of the conference is the folklore, childlore, and playlore of children. Sub-themes include (but are not limited) to:

- :: Games
- :: Songs and Rhymes
- :: The language of play
- :: Children's contemporary legends
- :: Wit, jokes, taunts and teases
- :: Toys and playthings
- :: Conflict with adults
- :: Playful lives, peers & friends, adults & relationships
- :: 'We made it up' – ownership and play

Tickets:

Early Bird Tickets: \$ 360* (closes 1st June 2026)

Late Bird Tickets: \$430* (from 1st June 2026)

Full-Time Student Ticket: \$180**

* includes booking fee, tax, lunch & refreshments, & all sessions

**strictly limited

Tickets from: www.TryBooking.com/DJEUN

Details:

Wednesday 19th August 2026
at Abbotsford Convent Melbourne

A conference on the Folklore, Childlore, and Playlore of Children aimed at reigniting an interest on the topic in Australia, and to celebrate the life and work of the late Dr. June Factor AM.

Keynote speakers:

Prof. Kate Darian-Smith
University of Melbourne

Dr. Emily Gallagher
Australian National University

Deborah Tout-Smith
Museums Victoria

With additional contributions from:

Dr. Gwenda Davey AM
Judy McKinty
Marc Armitage

Important Dates:

Closing date for submissions: Wed 1st April

Panel date: Wed 8th April 2026

Notice of acceptance: Wed 15th April 2026

Please note, successful presenters will be given a 20% discount on the early bird ticket price. Applicants must have purchased a ticket before the acceptance date. Refunds of 20% will be awarded on acceptance.

Marc Armitage presents a Malarkey Event
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