



# DRAMA VICTORIA

Calendar of Events and  
Membership Guide 2021

SEMESTER ONE

# Become a Member

Drama Victoria is a not-for-profit organisation run for and by Drama educators supporting, developing, and advocating for Drama education in Victoria.

Don't miss out on being part of our vibrant Drama & Theatre Studies teaching community! Join or renew your Drama Victoria Membership today!

Visit [www.dramavictoria.vic.edu.au/membership](http://www.dramavictoria.vic.edu.au/membership)

Drama Victoria: empowering teachers through imagination.

## Professional Learning

Members have discounted rates to all of our events, can attend selected events free of charge and can access exclusive Members Only events.

## Publications

Members can access a range of articles, reviews and curriculum commentary using their secure Member Login. Content is updated regularly with the articles collated into a Drama Victoria MASK Annual which is free for Members.

## Reciprocal Membership

By joining Drama Victoria, you are automatically a member of Drama Australia the national drama educator's association, and IDEA, the international drama educator's association. Drama Australia and IDEA also run conferences and produce publications available to our members.

## Resources

We can assist you with a number of course outlines, lesson plans and units of work for the year level(s) you are currently teaching (P-12), all accessible in our private Member Only area. We also sell a range of practice examinations, resources and posters via our online Shop; members receive a discounted rate.

## Networks

Via our extensive membership base, we can put you in contact with other teachers who are teaching the same year levels and subjects you are teaching. We can even 'match make' you with a mentor! As a member you can join our online "A Conversation with Drama Victoria" chats FREE!

## Advocacy

We represent members on several curriculum development and administrative committees in Victoria, nationally and internationally. We are also closely linked to Department of Education and Training (DET), Council of Professional Teaching Associations in Victoria and NAAE, the National Advocates for Arts Education.

## Governance

Being a Drama Victoria member gives you a vote – only members may serve on our Committee of Management, only members may vote our Committee of Management into office. If you want a say on all of the above, you need a voting voice.



# TERM ONE

## Teaching VCE Theatre Studies

Wednesday 10 February, 4pm – 6.30pm  
Online via Zoom

*Presented by Richard Sallis*

Join us with an experienced VCE teacher to share ways in which to explore Units 3 & 4 Theatre Studies. Get new ideas for approaching assessment tasks and refining your curriculum plans. Advice, practical ideas and an opportunity to clarify any uncertainties, don't miss out!

**Ideal For: Teachers of VCE Theatre Studies**

**Cost: \$88 M / \$176 NM / \$55 P&U**

**Bookings:**

[www.dramavictoria.vic.edu.au/events/events-calendar/](http://www.dramavictoria.vic.edu.au/events/events-calendar/)

## Teaching VCE Drama

Tuesday 16 February, 4pm – 6.30pm  
Online via Zoom

*Presented by Angie Bedford*

Join us with an experienced VCE teacher to share ways in which to explore Units 3 & 4 Drama. Get new ideas for approaching assessment tasks and refining your curriculum plans. Advice, practical ideas and an opportunity to clarify any uncertainties, don't miss out!

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## JumpStart 2021

Saturday 20 February, 9am – 4.30pm  
Online via Zoom

Always the perennial favourite, this year's Jumpstart mini conference will, once again, bring together a choice of hands-on workshops designed to wake you up, get you motivated and enrich your classroom.

Also featuring the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Drama Victoria. This is your chance to contribute to the governance of our incredibly special organisation! Consider nominating yourself, or someone else, to join our Committee in 2021. Make sure that you are a paid-up, voting member to participate (see our Member Guide for details).

**Ideal For: ALL Teachers**

**Cost: \$176 M / \$352 NM / \$88 P&U**

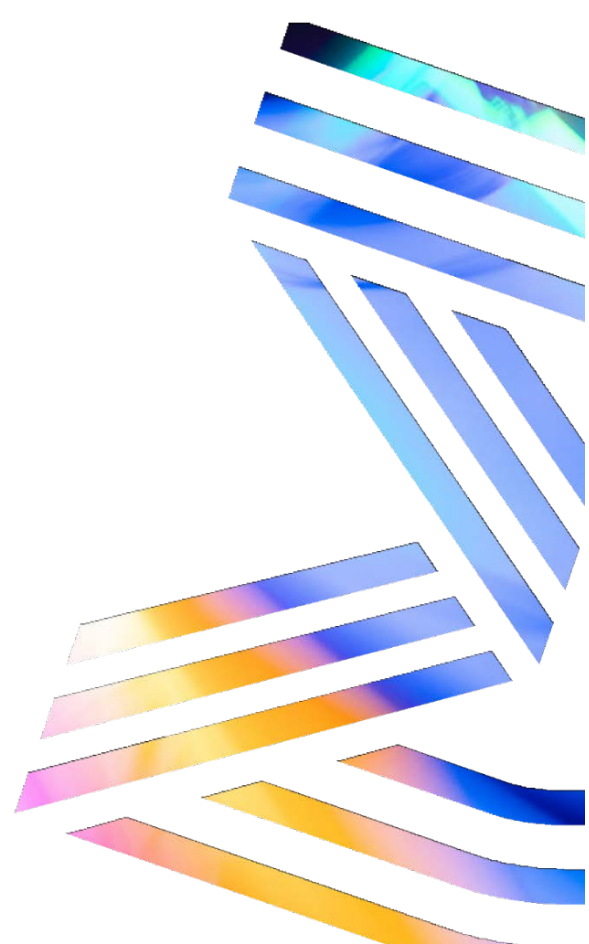
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**M = Member    NM = Non-Member    P&U = Pre-service & Unwaged**

All prices are inclusive of GST

*Note: Workshops held via Zoom will be recorded for future use. You may attend the workshops with or without your video/audio turned on. Zoom meeting links will be emailed 30 minutes prior to each workshop.*



## A Conversation with Drama Victoria: Regional Drama Teachers

Tuesday 2 March, 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Online via Zoom

*Presented by Zachary Alaimo, Drama Victoria Community Engagement and Membership Manager, and Drama Victoria regional representatives Christina Kyriakou (Gippsland Grammar) and Lachlan Joyce (Geelong College)*

*Are you a regional Drama teacher looking for a place to catch up, debrief and network? Want to know about how Drama Victoria can help and support you whilst teaching regionally or remotely?*

*Well, with the power of Zoom and online sessions, Drama Victoria is hosting a Zoom session with all regional Drama teachers.*

*Whether you want to talk strategies, stories and network with other regional Drama teachers or you want to discuss ways Drama Victoria can support regional Drama teachers better, this aim of this session is to offer help and provide opportunities for all regional teachers to engage even more with the incredible Drama community in Victoria.*

*We will also be talking about ways that regional members can become more involved in Drama Victoria.*

*Come join us! We can't wait to see and meet you all soon!*

**Ideal For: ALL regional Drama teachers**

**Cost: FREE M / \$55 NM**

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## 8 Cover Lessons That Won't Fail

Wednesday 10 March, 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Online via Zoom

*Presented by Nicholas Waxman*

This session will be active and physical as we work through the 8 online cover lessons Drama Victoria developed in association with the State Government Victoria's Department of Education. One of the lessons will be done live with the group as an example, and we will talk through the other seven. Each lesson comes with a plan, worksheet, and curriculum alignment.

Whether you use them yourself, or leave them for a cover, you will know that the lesson will be engaging, interactive and scaffolded.

**Ideal For: Primary/Middle Years Teachers**

**Cost: \$55 M / \$110 NM / \$33 P&U**

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## Transforming is Fun

Wednesday 17 March, 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Online via Zoom

*Presented by Kelly Clifford*

Transforming is Fun - is an interactive workshop that utilises the technique of transformation of object, in an accessible and fun way. With a focus on using everyday objects that you find in the home; no special resources are required. As a springboard to imaginative play and storytelling, this workshop draws on a practice of non-realistic (or non-naturalistic) theatre and will suit teachers new to drama teaching. Perfect for teachers wanting a place to start a Drama lesson and for teachers who work with students of mix ability and a range of skills and attitudes. Participants will work independently and in small (Zoom) groups to create a range of scenarios and situations to be shared. There will also be plenty of time to discuss ideas across the session.

**Ideal For: Recent Graduate Teachers; Primary/Early Years; Middle Years Teachers**

**Cost: \$55 M / \$110 NM / \$33 P&U**

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## BOOZoom: End of Term 1 Online Drinks & Networking

Wednesday 31 March, 5pm-6.30pm

*Presented by Drama Victoria*

Drama Victoria invites all teachers to grab a quarantini, quarantea or quaranquoffee and discuss all things related to Drama teaching. This is an opportunity for you to debrief, share your successes, share your struggles and get some love from your Drama education community. This informal session via Zoom will be a chance for you to have a chat, share a laugh and give and receive many virtual hugs.

Participants will randomly be assigned to three different breakout groups throughout the gathering, providing twenty minutes in each group to share stories plus time back in the main group to provide feedback. The session will not be recorded.

**Ideal For: ALL Drama teachers**

**Cost: FREE M / \$55 NM**

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# TERM TWO

## Create a Podcast with your Class

Wednesday 28 April, 5.30pm – 6.30pm  
Online via Zoom

*Presented by Nicholas Waxman*

The Aside Podcast is a podcast for Drama teachers and students. Each week a new episode (or three) is written, coordinated, recorded, edited and uploaded. There are 310 episodes currently. Come and learn how easy it is to record your own podcast with your students.

**Ideal For: ALL Teachers**

**Cost: \$55 M / \$110 NM / \$33 P&U**

**Bookings:**

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## A Conversation with Drama Victoria

Wednesday 12 May 5.30pm-7pm  
Online via Zoom

*Presented by Drama Victoria*

Are you a Drama teacher looking for a place to catch up, debrief, talk strategies, stories, and network with other teachers? Interest groups will be led by members of Drama Victoria's Committee of Management. Topics discussed will be timely and relevant.

Separate Zoom meetings will be held for each interest group. On registration, please select the group you wish to attend:

- Pre-Service Teachers/Recent Graduates
- Primary Teachers
- Middle Years Teachers
- VCE Drama Teachers
- VCE Theatre Studies Teachers

**Ideal For: ALL Drama & Theatre Studies teachers**

**Cost: FREE M / \$55 NM**

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## Teaching for Reconciliation: Complexities, Concepts and Content

Six Week Course

Tuesday 4 May, 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
Tuesday 11 May, 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
Tuesday 18 May, 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
Tuesday 25 May, 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
Tuesday 1 June, 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
Tuesday 8 June, 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
Online via Zoom

*Presented by Danielle Hradsky*

Teaching for Reconciliation is a series of six 2-hour professional learning sessions intended to support and empower you to teach First Nations concepts and content in schools. Through the program you will learn about Reconciliation, what it is, and how you can be a part of working towards it. You will learn more about the history of schooling and education in Victoria, particularly about how First Nations content has been taught in the past, and what this means for us in the present. You might even learn a bit about yourself along the way, while building connections with a community of educators who can support your learning and teaching in the future.

Each session uses embodied pedagogies or learning styles which are based in Drama and the Arts. Although this may seem scary, learning through embodiment is essential to engaging with these complex topics. Embodiment helps us to explore and understand our emotions, empathise with the experiences of others, practise being in tricky or uncomfortable situations in a safe environment, and actively plan for the future. The sessions are designed to guide you safely through embodied learning, regardless of your levels of confidence and expertise in this area. You will also gain knowledge and skills of how to use embodied pedagogies in your own classes.

**Ideal For: ALL Teachers of the Arts, English & Humanities**

**Cost: \$275 M / \$385 NM / \$209 P&U**

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## Fun & Practical Intro to Commedia

Wednesday 26 May, 5.30pm-7pm

Online via Zoom

*Presented by Make A Scene*

Make A Scene director, Rosa Campagnaro and teaching artist, Mason Gasowski, will get participants moving and playing in this physical comedy workshop. Born from the marketplace spruiker tradition in 16<sup>th</sup> century Italy, *Commedia dell'Arte* is a larger-than-life theatrical style that still appeals and engages contemporary audiences. This online session will include video excerpts from our *commedia* shows – to demonstrate and put the style into context. We encourage participants to 'bring their silly' to learn exercises and activities for exploring stock characters, improvisation, and comic routines - that can be easily adapted to your 2021 classroom.

**Ideal For: Primary/Early Years & Middle Years Teachers**

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## Vocab SLAM!

### Analyse and Evaluate/Production Role Vocab

Wednesday 16 June, 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Online via Zoom

*Presented by Nicholas Waxman*

Tips and tricks for embodying and deepening understanding of analysis and evaluation. This practical workshop will involve brainstorming, writing, watching, comparing, moving and grooving to all things analysis and evaluation. Make it fun and lock it in your memory. This presentation will also break down the production roles and give you and your class a bunch of activities to engage with to BOOST your vocab for acting, directing, lighting, costume, make-up, sound, set and props! Sophisticate that vocab!

**Ideal For: VCE Theatre Studies Teachers**

**Cost: \$55 M / \$110 NM / \$33 P&U**

**Bookings:**

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## BOOZoom: End of Term 2 Online Drinks & Networking

Thursday 24 June, 5pm-6.30pm

Online via Zoom

*Presented by Drama Victoria*

Drama Victoria invites all teachers to grab a quarantini, quarantea or quaranquoffee and discuss all things related to Drama teaching. This is an opportunity for you to debrief, share your successes, share your struggles and get some love from your Drama education community. This informal session via Zoom will be a chance for you to have a chat, share a laugh and give and receive many virtual hugs.

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## Support Drama Victoria – beyond your membership

### Donate:

Drama Victoria is on the Register of Cultural Organisation of Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status. This endorsement enables Drama Victoria to receive gifts (monies) that are tax deductible to donors. The Drama Victoria Committee of Management and the Trustees of the Drama Victoria Public Fund have agreed that all monies donated be used to fund the development of member resources. For further details contact [admin@dramavictoria.vic.edu.au](mailto:admin@dramavictoria.vic.edu.au)

### Become a Presenter:

Keep your eye on our website and Facebook page for presenting opportunities or email your workshop suggestions to: [director@dramavictoria.vic.edu.au](mailto:director@dramavictoria.vic.edu.au)

### Volunteer:

Join us at JumpStart or our annual conference as a volunteer! It's a great way to network.

### Develop Resources:

Do you have a great lesson plan, rubric or other resource you'd like to share with other teachers? Help us develop a wonderful resource bank by emailing your resources or resource proposal to: [director@dramavictoria.vic.edu.au](mailto:director@dramavictoria.vic.edu.au)