

ASPIA invites you to a one-day workshop on

GIRLS AND WOMEN WITH ASPERGER'S SYNDROME

Presented by

Professor Tony Attwood

With contributions from two women with Asperger's Syndrome

Camilla Connolly and Megan Hammond

About the Workshop

The presentation describes how girls and women accommodate and camouflage the characteristics of Asperger's Syndrome with examples of the life experiences of girls and women with Asperger's Syndrome. Strategies are provided to help girls and women with Asperger's Syndrome develop friendships and relationships, cope with bullying and teasing, manage emotions and develop a successful career.

About the Presenters

Professor Tony Attwood. Tony is a clinical psychologist who has specialised in autism spectrum disorders since he qualified as a clinical psychologist in England in 1975. He works in private practice in Brisbane, but is also adjunct professor at Griffith University, Queensland. His book *Asperger's Syndrome – A Guide for Parents and Professionals* has sold over 300,000 copies and has been translated into twenty languages. He has worked with over 3,000 individuals of all ages with Asperger's syndrome. Tony presents workshops and runs training courses for parents, professionals and individuals with Asperger's syndrome all over the world and is a prolific author of scientific papers and books on the subject. His new book *The Complete Guide to Asperger's Syndrome* was published in October 2006.

Camilla Connolly. Camilla Connolly is an artist, writer, public speaker and mother who is formally diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome. She has been selected for major painting competitions in Australia and her work is held in both private and public collections nationally. She runs a blog (<http://thegameofbreathing.blogspot.com>) where she considers everything from living with Asperger's to poetry and fiction writing through to Dante and Roberto Bolano and Glenn Gould. Her life has been rich, complex, eccentric, unorthodox, difficult and even tragic at times, and since diagnosis – comparatively peaceful and joyful. Connolly is also helping to set up support groups and mentoring relationships for Asperger girls and women in Queensland and Northern NSW, where she resides, and believes Asperger People can become empowered to help themselves and be a part of the world around them, in meaningful ways.

Megan Hammond. Megan's book "My life with Aspergers" has just recently been published in Sydney by New Holland Publishers. Megan was born in 1972 and it wasn't until she was 26 years old that she was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome. Megan was a relatively normal child in her development, but it wasn't until she went to school that it became apparent that all was not well, and so began the search to find a diagnosis. Since her diagnosis Megan has been learning new and different ways of coping with her disability. She's fallen down, picked herself up, and is now on a learning journey that will take her through the rest of her life. During this workshop Megan will introduce herself & her book, share some highlights of her journey and be available for book signings.



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Workshop Details – Girls and Women with Asperger’s Syndrome

<u>DATE</u>	SATURDAY 2 October 2010
<u>TIME</u>	8.30am – 4.30pm
<u>COST</u>	<p>\$155 per person (including GST)</p> <p>Family Rate - \$135 per person for <u>2 or more</u> registering from the <u>same family group</u></p> <hr/> <p>Price includes all refreshments and lunch</p>
<u>VENUE</u>	<p><u>The Fitzroy Room</u> <u>Campbelltown Catholic Club</u> <u>20 – 22 Camden Road, Campbelltown NSW 2560</u></p> <hr/> <p><u>Parking</u> conveniently located on site (including underground) <u>Easy walk</u> from Campbelltown Railway Station (Campbelltown or Macarthur Rail Service (airport line or south line)) <u>Accommodation</u> is available at Rydges on site</p> <p>Campbelltown has been chosen as the location for this event due to its convenient access, not only from Sydney on the M5 Motorway and Cityrail, but also from the South, ie, Southern Highlands, Illawarra & Shoalhaven using Hume Hwy or Appin Road and the West and North of Sydney using the M7 and M5 Motorways. Exit the M5 Motorway at the Narellan Road exit, head East towards Campbelltown, turn left at Kellicar Road (Hurley Street), then immediate right into Camden Road. The Catholic Club will be on your right.</p>

This Workshop is open to anyone with an interest in this topic
Limited places available. Please book early to avoid disappointment.



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