



Thursday May 12th 2016
9.30am – 1.00pm

757 Mclvor Road, Junortoun (Baptist Church Complex)

FREE AUTISM AWARENESS EVENT

Guest speaker:
Donna Williams

Walking in Autistic Shoes
&
How do I choose the most fitting autism approach?



What is it like to 'walk in autistic shoes'? Drawing on 20 years work as an autism consultant working with over 1,000 people on the autism spectrum, this presentation will take you on a journey to find out.

Donna Williams was born in Melbourne, Australia in 1963, in a time when the rate of autism was thought to be 4 in 10,000 children and autism was deemed 'childhood psychosis'. She was thought deaf and in a 3 day inpatient hospital assessment at the age of two she was diagnosed as psychotic.

Growing up echolalic, she acquired functional speech when she was between 9-11 years old. Against a background of abuse, homelessness, illiteracy and innumeracy, Donna ultimately returned to school as an adult, gained post graduate qualifications as a sociologist and teacher, became the author of ten books in the field of autism, an international public speaker since 1994 and autism consultant since 1996 as well as an accomplished artist, singer-songwriter and performer.

All welcome – presentation suitable for adults with ASD, partners, friends, parents, relatives, teachers, support staff, carers, allied health workers and anyone who is interested in learning more about autism.

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Program:

9.15am – 9.30am – Arrival

9.30am – 9.40am – Welcome and Introductions

9.40am – 11.00am – ***Walking in Autistic Shoes*** followed by Q & A

11.00am – 11.30am – Morning Tea

11.30am – 12.50pm – ***How do I choose the most fitting autism approach?*** followed by Q & A

12.50pm – 1.00pm – Conclusion of Event

A formal RSVP is not required, however it would be helpful if you could let us know numbers for catering purposes as soon as possible. Thank you.

For further information or to register

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