

VISUAL ARTS AND DESIGN EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION



HAVE YOU JOINED VADEA?

The Visual Arts and Design Educators Association of NSW seeks to promote the study of Visual Arts and Design education and to inspire and support visual art and design teachers.

VADEA is a new professional teachers' association that has replaced the Art Education Society in NSW.

Our goals include:

- * *Enhance the professional status of art and design educators in NSW,*
- * *Foster opportunities for professional development and promote of best practice in the field Visual Arts and design education,*
- * *Provide a forum to share ideas and establish a robust professional network, and support teachers through workshops, conferences, website, publications and other resources,*
- * *Connect visual arts and design educators in a range of fields, including galleries, museums, universities, high schools and primary schools. And service the needs of educators in both metropolitan and regional areas.*

In the coming months VADEA has planned many exciting and stimulating professional development opportunities for educators.

Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th July, VADEA Annual Conference

Held over two full days, the conference will bring together guest speakers on a range of issues in Art and Design Education, and provide professional development workshops in all areas of the field. More information, a conference overview and registration form will be made available closer to the date.

In addition to these formal professional development experiences, VADEA aims

to connect its members with each other via a member's-only webpage, blog and discussion board, where teaching ideas and problems can be shared with interested colleagues statewide. It is envisaged that the webpage will become a first-stop portal for resources, curriculum support, assistance with teacher accreditation, and easy-to-use fact sheets on materials, equipment and concepts relevant to the art and design classroom.

You can join as an individual or as part of a staff group. Please see the attachment for the membership form and details.