

USING THE SOCIAL THINKING METHODOLOGY TO SUPPORT SOCIAL LEARNING

Internationally recognised Michelle Garcia Winner presents tips, practical strategies and frameworks for individuals and those that support individuals with autism to develop social success



PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

Michelle Garcia Winner, the founder of Socially Thinking®, will teach people and those that support people with social emotional learning challenges to develop skills in how they interpret and respond to social information to better connect with others. Michelle will present practical strategies to improve social competencies that can be used immediately in the classroom, clinic, home and community.

The conference is set to be an engaging, interactive day where participants will be guided through a range of innovative socially based problem solving strategies that can be used with individuals with solid expressive and receptive language skills, in a range of settings.

Frameworks and strategies presented and demonstrated include:

- How to encourage the development of social competencies;
- 10 core Social Thinking Vocabulary Concepts such as 'expected' and 'unexpected' behaviours;
- Social Behaviour Maps and ME maps for self-protective, resistant learners; and
- The Double Interview and Thinking With Your Eyes.

Outcomes for participants include learning how they can support the development of four core factors in social learning: social attention, interpretation, problem solving to then figure out social responses. Participants will develop skills to help people learn to process and respond to social information; which then promotes social self-regulation.

"...one of my favorite authors in the field of teaching emotional intelligence. Michelle Garcia Winner has pioneered some very helpful ways of conceptualising and helping educators understand the social challenges that students on the autism spectrum face."

- Stephan Borgman, 2010, Psychology Today, 'Spectrum Solutions'



The speaker for this event is from the Social Thinking Training and Speaker's Collaborative (STSC). Social Thinking is not a sponsor of this event.

"I have learned so many practical reachable, doable, yet possibly life-changing activities and strategies to use with my kids."

- Camille, Speech-Language Pathologist

In 2008, Michelle was honored with a Congressional Special Recognition Award for her groundbreaking work in the field of social learning.

"Your program has given me the much needed tools to communicate in a meaningful way with my 9 year old son. Thank you. The stress level in our house has decreased along with the meltdowns. He is able to come out of the meltdowns much more readily. Thanks."

- Conference Attendee, Parent

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TIME	PROGRAM
8.30am - 9.25am	Registration
9.30am - 9.45am	Conference opening
9.45am - 10.30am	Social Think's Social Competency Model
10.30am - 10.50am	Morning tea
10.50am - 12.30pm	Exploring two different types of informal dynamic assessment tasks
12.30pm - 1.10pm	Lunch
1.10pm - 2.30pm	Exploring 10 core Social Thinking Vocabulary concepts
2.30pm - 2.50pm	Afternoon tea
2.50pm - 3.45pm	A Core Social Thinking Treatment Framework: Social Behavior Mapping and Me Maps
3.45pm - 4.00pm	Conference closing
4.15pm - 4.30pm	Book signing

DATE Friday 15 February 2019

TIME 9.30am - 4pm
(Registration open from 8.30am)

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PRESENTER PROFILE

Michelle Garcia Winner is an internationally recognised speech pathologist from the United States and is the founder and CEO of Social Thinking®. Social Thinking is a company dedicated to helping individuals across their lifespan to develop their social competencies to meet their personal social goals. Michelle is recognised as '...the leading expert in the field of social skills' with more than 30 years' experience working with individuals, families and professionals in the autism sector. Michelle is a prolific writer and has written and/or co-authored more than 40 books and over 100 research articles about the Social Thinking Methodology including; 'Social Behaviour Mapping'; 'Thinking about you, Thinking about Me?'; 'You are a Social Detective'; and 'Superflex: A Superhero Social Thinking Curriculum'.

Michelle is known for her enthusiastic presentation style and ability to provide participants with real strategies that can make a difference in the school, home and community setting.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Educators, clinicians, professionals, parents, family members, individuals and anyone who supports a person on the spectrum will benefit from attending this conference. All participants will develop an appreciation that social capabilities are integral to a person's success in life - socially, academically, and professionally.

"Observing the social interactions of others is very helpful to me as I formulate how to interact myself. I've learned not everyone walks with their head down avoiding eye contact all of the time. I've learned when and how to smile. I've studied what makes a stranger seem approachable. In short, you have to know the rules of the game in order to play the game."

- 43-year-old engineer and student of Social Thinking's Methodology

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*ends 30 October 2018

Super early bird special - \$240 + GST
*ends 30 October 2018

Early bird - \$280 + GST
*ends 31 December 2018

Standard - \$330 + GST

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We look forward to seeing you there.

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