

MONDAY 7 APRIL 2008

DROMKEEN, RIDDELLS CREEK



FOR PARENTS

Raising Your Gifted Child: What's Your Story?

There is no question that gifted children have different needs than more average kids—social, emotional, academic, to name a few. Our first parenting task is to recognize those needs (which sometimes require us to rethink our own). After that we are faced with the challenge of meeting these needs in a world that isn't set up to do that for us. Our goal must be to empower our children from within.

This session will deal with ways to do this.

COST: \$60

FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE GIFTED CREATIVE WRITERS

Accessing the Magic of Your Imagination

Reading and writing stories takes us into the world of our imagination—a magical world where whole worlds and real people emerge from nothing and take form on the screen or printed page. In this workshop we'll explore the ups and downs of the creative process and share our experiences. At the same time we will do our best to remember that whatever the reason we choose to write and whatever the desired outcome, no matter how passionate and serious our intention, creating is closely related to play. Keeping this in mind, even when one hits the wall of "writer's block," can provide us a way around it.

A special note for students

This workshop is for you if you know that creative writing is your real strength and if you believe that writing will always be part of your life even when you are an adult – if you believe that one day you will be a published author or poet or playwright, even if you haven't told anyone else that that's what you hope. Stephanie Tolan believed from the age of nine that she would become a writer, so she understands exactly how you feel.

A LIMITED NUMBER OF PLACES AVAILABLE

COST: \$150 (Includes a paperback copy of one of Stephanie Tolan's young adult fiction books and a place at the Parent session for the adult accompanying the student)

TIMETABLE

10.00am – 12.00 noon. Accessing the magic of your imagination

Parents can take a tour of Dromkeen

Devonshire Teas will be available for \$6.00

Bring own lunches and have a picnic in the Dromkeen grounds

1.00 – 3.00 pm. Raising your gifted child: What's your story?

Dromkeen will provide a session for children

Parents will be responsible for their own children

THE VENUE

Dromkeen

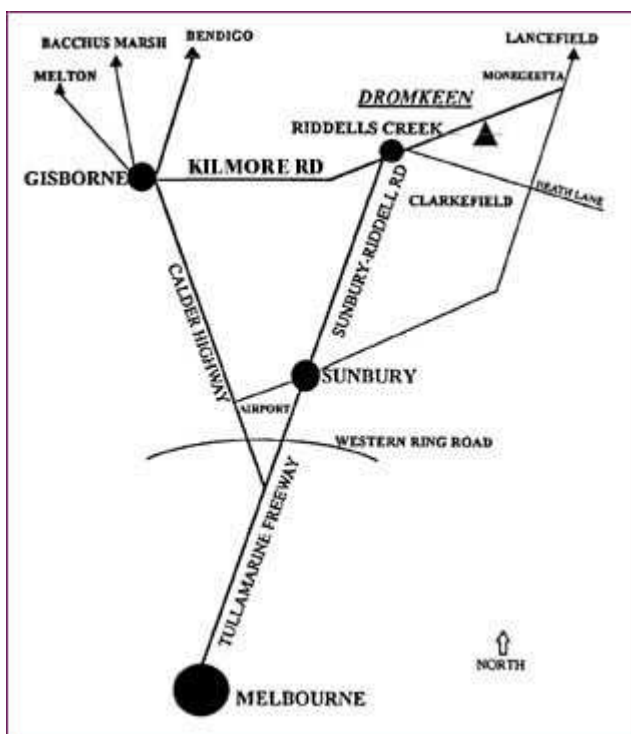
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Dromkeen, a graceful nineteenth-century homestead classified by the National Trust, and accredited through Museums Australia - Victoria, is situated in the small township of Riddells Creek, outside Melbourne in Victoria. It is the home of the Australian Children's Literature Collection, a unique collection of original artwork, manuscripts and other pre-publication material from Australian children's books. Dromkeen is much more than an important collection. It is a dynamic centre for displays, educational programs, children's workshops, lectures and research - all activities which illuminate the world of Australian children's literature.

It is not far from the famous Hanging Rock, the setting for the book *Picnic at Hanging Rock* by Joan Lindsay and the film based on the book





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Accessing the magic of your imagination Student Writer Workshop \$150

Parent Workshop \$60

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**TUESDAY 8 APRIL 2008
WERRIBEE OPEN RANGE ZOO**



GENERAL INTEREST

The Cheetah Analogy

Stephanie Tolan's article "Is it a cheetah?" c.1996

http://www.stephanietolan.com/is_it_a_cheetah.htm has been translated into over 40 languages. It has made the cheetah an analogy for gifted students all over the world and has become the logo of many groups working on behalf of these children. This moving article has helped teachers, parents and policymakers to grasp the different attributes of the gifted child and the need for specific provision for them. It has also been a powerful symbol to generate networks devoted to the conservation of the cheetah.

Stephanie will present The Cheetah Analogy at the Savannah Centre at the Werribee Open Range Zoo.

Come and hear Stephanie Tolan's presentation, take a Safari tour of Werribee Open Range Zoo, discover the part our zoo plays in cheetah conservation and learn about the programs specifically for gifted students that are offered by the Zoo

THE TIMETABLE

G.A.T.E.WAYS Programs 10.30 am – 4.00 pm

Stephanie Tolan will be observing the Children's program 1.00-2.00pm

Safari tours 2.00-3.00

Stephanie Tolan will be presenting The Cheetah Analogy 3.00-4.00pm

THE COST: \$55.00 per person includes The Cheetah Analogy session for adults, Zoo entry, Safari tour, light afternoon tea and contribution toward cheetah conservation.

It does not include transport to the venue.

It does not include participation in the children's program which must be booked separately with G.A.T.E.WAYS (see below)

FOR GIFTED STUDENTS

G.A.T.E.WAYS will present workshops on the day

Rangers on Probation for Year 3-4 students

Conservation Crusaders for Year 5-6 students

For full information and to register contact G.A.T.E.WAYS

PO Box 207, Blackburn VIC 3130 Australia

Phone 03 9894 2116 Fax 03 9894 2117

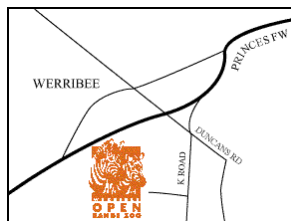
Email info@gateways.edu.au

Website <http://www.gateways.edu.au/>

THE VENUE

<http://www.zoo.org.au/vorz/>

Werribee Open Range Zoo is located 35 kilometres from the Melbourne CBD on the Princes Freeway. It is a short 30 minute drive from the city over the Westgate Bridge. Take the Werribee South exit to K Road.



Werribee Open Range Zoo is conveniently located close to the CBD, Geelong, both Tullamarine and Avalon airports, and is on the way to the Great Ocean Road. It is also a major attraction on the Great Southern Touring Route and the Bay Tour.

Public Transport

Catch a **train** from the city to Werribee (Werribee Line). **Buses** from Werribee station to the zoo depart at the following times:

Monday to Friday

Station to Zoo	9.00am	10.20am	11.40am	1.00pm	2.20pm
Zoo to Station	1.33pm	2.53pm	5.05pm		

Saturday

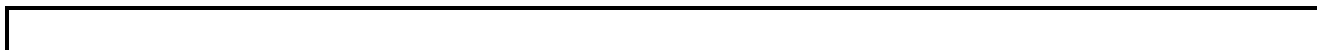
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Please note: Above times are subject to change, and no service is provided on Sundays or Public Holidays at this time.

Werribee Park Shuttle

Planning a trip to Werribee Open Range Zoo from Melbourne City? Why not catch the Werribee Park Shuttle?

Services run every day with four pick up times available from the Victorian Art Centre where you will be dropped off at the Zoo front entrance and then picked up again for the return trip back to the city. *Bookings are essential* on: (03) 9748 5094 or book on line - www.werribeeparkshuttle.com.au.





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The Cheetah Analogy session for adults \$55.00

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WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL 2008

BELGRAVE LIBRARY



GENERAL INTEREST Especially Homeschooling families

BOOKCHAT "SURVIVING THE APPLEWHITES"

Stephanie Tolan will discuss her critically acclaimed novel which was a 2003 Newbery Honor book, and is now a play. Stephanie will also sign copies of her books which will be available to purchase.

"In this laugh-out-loud novel, a young teen on the fast track to the juvenile detention center suddenly finds himself living in rural North Carolina with the outrageously eccentric Applewhite clan. Jake Semple, 13, has been expelled from a long line of schools before coming to the Applewhites to be home-schooled. This extended family forms what a visiting reporter christens an "artistic dynasty," with various creative endeavors absorbing the adults' time and attention. Jake is left largely to his own devices, since the family doesn't believe in telling their charges what or when to study. He develops a loyal following consisting of an active four-year-old and an overweight basset hound, and his transformation is complete once he becomes enmeshed in the family's production of *The Sound of Music*. Quirky characters, from the cub reporter to the visiting guru, add to the offbeat humor. The Applewhites' over-the-top personalities mark them as literary kin of Helen Cresswell's *Bagthorpes*. Running beneath the narrative that gently pokes fun at everything from sculpture to TV documentaries, though, is also the story of a boy allowing himself to belong and begin to discover his own potential. This has terrific booktalk and read-aloud potential, and will help fill the need for humorous contemporary fiction." -- *Starred review, School Library Journal*

TIME: 10.30 – 11.30am

COST: \$20.00

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT GIFTED RESOURCES PHONE (03) 9724 2452

THE VENUE:

Reynolds Lane

Belgrave, 3160.

Melways Ref: 75 F10

Ph: 9754 7266

Fax: 9754 8691

Manager - Belgrave Community Library: Polly Ashburner

Parking: Free, restricted parking immediately at the front of the library. Unlimited parking in the carpark. Two accessible parking spaces to the left of the library entrance. **Approach to main entrance:** Easy access from car park and street. Wheelchair and pram access from the carpark (automatic doors). **Internal access:** The library is on one level. Accessibility for wheelchairs and prams is good. There is clear navigation with signs. Catalogues are on high tables. **Public toilets:** Male/Female/Accessible, baby change.



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Surviving the Applewhites Book chat \$20

Surviving the Applewhites Book chat Family rate \$30

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**WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL 2008
KARRALYKA CENTRE, RINGWOOD EAST**



Stephanie Tolan

DINNER SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

Change your story - change your life

Stephanie Tolan has realized from the feedback of many grateful readers that she has a role as a **“story healer”**. Her work breaks down the isolation and negativity many people feel and helps to heal the stories that they are telling themselves about their lives.

"As we move through our lives, moment by moment, day by day, each of us is telling ourselves a story – about ourselves, about what is happening to us, about what we can or should do about it, and what it all means"

What Stephanie calls the "Story Principle" is a method of personal empowerment that any of us can learn to use for ourselves and also share with children.

TIME: 7.00- 10.30 pm

COST: \$75.00 per head

Three course dinner - cash bar operating

PLEASE NOTIFY US OF ANY SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

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Karralyka Centre

Email Address: karralyka@maroondah.vic.gov.au

Telephone: (03) 9870 2888

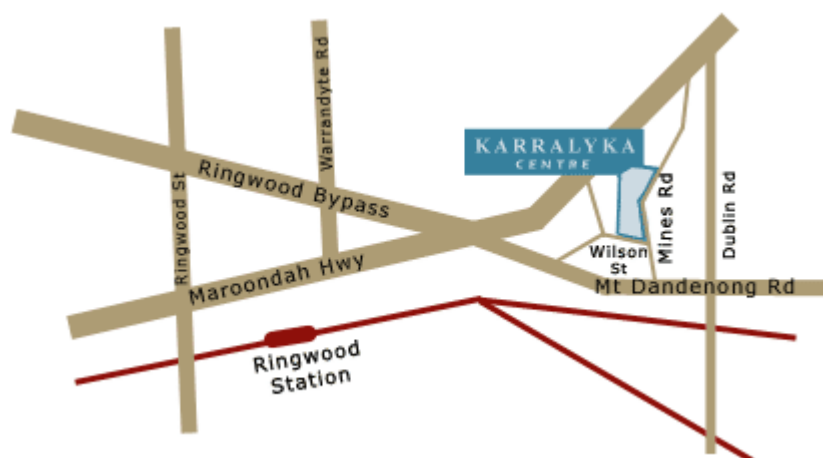
Fax: (03) 9870 2283

Address: Mines Road
Ringwood East 3134

Postal Address: Karralyka Centre
Maroondah City Council
PO Box 156
Ringwood 3134

<http://www.karralyka.com.au/>

Location



Melway map 50 A6

Karralyka Centre is just 30 minutes from the Melbourne CBD.

Free car parking is available in the grounds of the centre. Parking for the disabled is available adjacent to the upper entrance off Wilson Street.

Ringwood train station (Belgrave and Lilydale lines) and Ringwood East train station (Lilydale line) is a 10 minute walk from the Centre.

The centre is fully accessible for patrons in wheelchairs or with limited mobility, who should enter from the upper entrance off Wilson Street. If you require a wheelchair space in the theatre, please request this when booking tickets.



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**THURSDAY 10 APRIL 2008
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY**



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE
ELDI Early Learning, Development & Inclusion and
SELAGE Studies in Exceptional Learning and Gifted Education

PRESENT

FOR PARENTS AND TEACHERS OF GIFTED STUDENTS

FREE PUBLIC LECTURE

Stephanie Tolan

Who Are the Gifted and What Do They Need From Us?

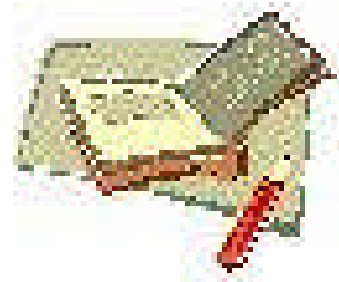
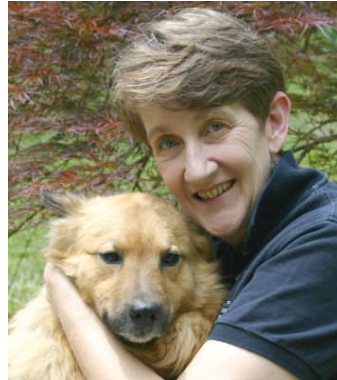
This lecture will explore the powerful differences that gifted children bring into our classrooms, our libraries, and our families and will address ways to meet the wide-ranging needs those differences create, from academic through social and emotional. When our world is full of cages, how can we find ways to allow the cheetahs among us the opportunity to run free?

TIME: 7.30 -9.00pm

THE VENUE: Public Policy Lecture Theatre
The University of Melbourne
Level 2, 234 Queensberry St

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER
CONTACT ANNE GRANT annecg@unimelb.edu.au

FRIDAY 11 APRIL 2008
THE CENTRE FOR THE EXCEPTIONAL LEARNER,
LUTHER COLLEGE, CROYDON



FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS OF GIFTED STUDENTS

Caring for the Gifted: What's Your Story?

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FOR TEACHERS OF GIFTED STUDENTS
ESPECIALLY TEACHERS OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE
TEACHERS OF CREATIVE WRITING
CHILDREN'S AND SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

Books, Stories and the Power of Imagination

Einstein said that imagination is more important than knowledge. The human capacity to turn little black marks on paper into whole worlds, living characters, and infinitely varied stories feels like magic—a magic founded on the power of imagination. In this workshop we will deal with language, literature, and creative writing as expressions of what may be humanity's most critical mental capacity. As a person who has spent a lifetime dealing with imagination and writing, Stephanie Tolan will offer a view from the inside about ways to support children's exploration and development of this essential mental power.

TIMETABLE

Registration from 9:15 am

10.00 – 12.00 Caring for the Gifted: What's Your Story?

12.00 – 1.00 Light luncheon

1.00 – 3.00 Books, Stories and the Power of Imagination

COST Full Day Two Sessions with light luncheon, morning and afternoon tea \$220

COST Morning session only with morning tea \$60

THE VENUE: Luther College, Plymouth Rd, Croydon Victoria 3136



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