

GRA Conference Director

Expressions of Interest – Now Open Due Tuesday 30th November

GRA is seeking expressions of interest for the role of Conference Director from interested and suitably experienced GRA members to design and direct the next GRA group relations conference.

Group Relations Australia (GRA) has conducted biennial group relations and mini conferences since 2007. These have included:

2007

A Delicate Balance: The Challenge for Professionals in Managing
Multiple Roles Mini-conference Director Allan Shafer

2008

Intergenerational Dynamics in the Workplace: Age, Generations and the Future Director
Susan Long

2010

Leadership for the Future: Hope Dignity and Spirit in Organisation
Director Susan Long

2013

Changing Relationships @ Work: Accountability, Authority and Engagement
Director Allan Shafer

2015

Leadership, Authority and Power: Exploring Lateral and Vertical Relations at Work
Joint GRA and NIODA Conference. Directors Jinette de Gooijer and Wendy Harding

2018

Multiple Roles: Conflicted Interests Mini-Conference
Director Veronika Grueneisen

2018

Collaboration and Competition; Exploring the Dynamics of Working Together in groups, organisations and communities, Director Jinette de Gooijer

2021

Disembodied Relations at Work: Exploring the Dynamics of Working On line During a Pandemic,
Director Jinette de Gooijer

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A Group Relations conference is a method for learning about the exercise of role, authority and social dynamics in undertaking tasks in groups and organisations. It is a powerful personal learning experience unmatched by other approaches to organisational analysis and leadership.

GRA's conferences are based in the Tavistock / systems psychodynamics tradition but GRA conferences have, over the years, explored and developed a range of innovations in the themes, internal events and processes of conferences.

GRA is now seeking expressions of interest from GRA members to design and direct the next GRA group relations conference. The Director has overall responsibility and accountability for the conference, including staff selection, design, marketing, financial and operational management. Potential directors will have experience as staff, including as a Director or Associate Director on previous conferences.

It is anticipated that the conference be conducted as a six -day, residential conference in late 2022 or early 2023. The appointed director will have the option of directing up to two subsequent conferences. Mentoring in the role from previous directors is available.

How to submit your EOI

Submit: via email to administrator@grouprelations.org.au

Include: Possible themes for the conference

Due: Tuesday 30th November, 2021