



The Australian Council on Children and the Media
and the Children and Families Research Centre,
Macquarie University present:



Growing up fast and furious: Reviewing the impacts of violent and sexualised media on children

**Friday 19 March 2010, 9am - 5pm
NSW Teachers Federation Conference Centre
37 Reservoir Street
Surry Hills NSW 2010**

This is an important and timely conference reviewing issues with great significance for Australian children's health and wellbeing. Our young people are experiencing a media environment that is increasingly violent, commercialised, and sexualised. Come and hear what the most recent research has to say about the implications of this for them, and for our community.

Don't miss this rare opportunity to listen to three of the most highly respected international researchers reviewing the evidence on media violence: **Professor L. Rowell Huesmann** (long term impacts of violent media), **Professor Ed Donnerstein** (Internet violence and cyber-bullying), and **Distinguished Research Professor Craig Anderson** (violent video games).

They will be joined by Australians **Professor Louise Newman** (sexualisation of children), **Dr Wayne Warburton** (violent music videos), **Dr Cordelia Fine** (children's understanding of advertising) and **Professor Elizabeth Handsley** (the role of regulation and classification).

This is almost certainly the most powerful selection of experts across a range of crucial media issues ever assembled for such a seminar in Australia.

Poster presentations from Australian academics and students are welcomed.

This first Australian Conference on Children and the Media invites the submission of abstracts for poster presentations on any topic that involves children and media. The deadline for abstract submission is February 26, 2010. Student presenters in particular are encouraged to take advantage of the reduced student rate that applies right up to the conference day. Details regarding submission of abstracts can be found at http://www.youngmedia.org.au/mediachildren/01_17_sydney_conference.htm#post. Enquiries can be emailed to Dr Wayne Warburton at waynew@psy.mq.edu.au

Registration: the costs of this unique seminar are

Full registration	\$235
Student /Concession	\$120

Registrations close 12 March 2010

Download a registration form from www.youngmedia.org.au and send to admin@youngmedia.org.au or fax 08 8376 2122.

Accommodation: The Sebel Surry Hills is offering conference attendees a discount rate of \$159 per night. (Offer expires 4 March) Please book direct with hotel (citing "Growing up fast and furious" conference) Phone: 02 9289 0033 Email: ereservations@tsshs.mirvac.com.au.

Public transport: The Conference Centre is very close to Central Station.

For more information about speakers, poster sessions and conference program, go to www.youngmedia.org.au, contact us by email admin@youngmedia.org.au or phone 08 8376 2111