

SENATOR SUE BOYCE

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Introducing The Boyce Debates -
Celebrating Queensland's 150 Years



Queensland's first special school opened in 1923 but, in the 21st century, truly inclusive education is still proving elusive. Senator Sue Boyce presents a public forum discussing issues and barriers surrounding inclusive education for all children.

“Making Inclusive Education Work – Is it the Will, the Skill or what's in the Till?”

Facilitated by Michael Smith from Radio 4BC with:



- **Keynote Speaker** : Dr Bob Jackson B.Econ, Dip. Ed., PhD (WA), Australia's leading proponent of inclusive education.
- Professor Suzanne Carrington Head of School, School of Learning and Professional Studies, QUT.
- Dr Rhonda Faragher Senior Lecturer, School of Education, ACU Canberra.

Tickets
\$25

Rooftop Terrace
Brisbane Powerhouse
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New Farm

Friday 27th March 2009
6.30pm for 7pm (to 9pm)

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Speakers include

Dr Bob Jackson (WA) – with almost 40 years of work in the disability sector, Dr Jackson is Australia’s pre-eminent authority on inclusive education. Dr Jackson has experience in the issue of the inclusion of children with ‘challenging behaviour’ in regular classrooms. A former professor of education, he is the Managing Director of Include Pty Ltd, providing teaching and support to ensure that people can be included even when they have very significant impairment.

Professor Suzanne Carrington (QUT) – Prof Carrington has been published internationally on matters of inclusive education and autism spectrum disorder. She was seconded from QUT in 2002-2004 to establish the Staff College (Inclusive Education) for Education Queensland. In her role as Principal of the Staff College, she developed and directed professional learning of staff in Education Queensland to support students with diverse learning needs. She is currently Head of School, School of Learning and Professional Studies at QUT.

Dr Rhonda Faragher (ACU Canberra) – Dr Faragher is a lecturer in Mathematics Education with a special interest in people with a disability and their learning capabilities. She is a former Queensland academic and has a daughter with Down syndrome.

Senator Sue Boyce – Senator Boyce has a long history of disability advocacy. Last year she called for the closure of special schools and for those resources to be redirected to mainstream schools. This forum continues the debate.

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