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Syba Academy's Connected Educator Summit 2014

New Literacies for Networked, Self-Directed Learners and Makers

Be challenged and transformed by world-leading
visionary educator Will Richardson

The Web is changing the way we learn, the way we define an education, and the way we think about work, all of which has huge implications for our children.

Those who understand the powerful affordances of the Internet to learn and create will flourish, and those who understand how to leverage those affordances for the greater good will lead. That requires a whole set of new literacies, ones that deal with not just reading and writing but collecting, creating, connecting, sharing, and sense making.

Evidence of these new literacies can be found in the new Australian Curriculum, and teachers need to explore ways to effectively integrate these into their classroom.

In this seminar, Will Richardson examines the pedagogical shifts in education required to help students develop as networked, self-directed learners and makers, and provides participants with the opportunity to plan for change as a connected educator.

Seminar partners:



Scope of Endorsement
The scope of endorsement for Syba Academy is for:
Standards 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, and descriptors 1.5.2 and 7.4.2 of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers at the level of Proficient Teacher.
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Thursday 14 August, 2014
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Adelaide Convention Centre,
North Terrace, Adelaide



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Introducing the Syba Academy

In 2014 Syba Seminars is extending its professional development programs to include a range of new and exciting programs and a wider range of formats to meet the professional learning needs of teachers and teacher-librarians.

We have renamed our new professional learning services *Syba Academy* which better reflects the quality and diversity of our services by offering personalised and customised programs to assist teachers and teacher librarians in navigating the new educational landscape.

Syba Seminars has had seven years experience as a professional learning provider, and in July, 2013, gained NSW Institute of Teachers board endorsement as a provider of professional development. This endorsement was to Australian National Teaching Standards. We will become endorsed with other states as soon as accreditation programs are established.

Seminar participants will...

- rethink schooling within the context of our students' futures, who need to survive and flourish in a fast changing, networked and connected world
- reflect on their own practice as self-directed learners and connected educators
- explore the new literacies that students require to function effectively as networked, self-directed learners and makers
- examine their own teaching practice to better model these new literacies envision and design new classrooms, schools and practices to fully serve networked, self-directed learners and makers
- develop a 5 days-5 months-5 years plan for changing personal learning practice.
- **This seminar is designed for classroom teachers (primary and secondary), directors of e-learning and learning technology coordinators, curriculum coordinators, teacher librarians, and assistant/deputy and school principals.**

Seminar program

9.00 - 9.15am

Welcome

9.15 - 10.45am

Teaching and Learning in an Age of Abundance

This session focuses on whole school issues and teacher practice within the age of abundance. Educating for abundance means that instead of becoming university or career ready – students need to be learning ready. They need to be able to fully take advantage of all they now have access to and develop their own paths to an education and work. This requires dramatic changes in the way we think about schooling. Participants will reflect on their own practice as self-directed learners and connected educators.

10.45 - 11.15am

Morning Tea

11.15am - 12.45pm

New Literacies for Connected Learning in the Australian Curriculum

This session will explore the new literacies that students require to function effectively as networked, self-directed learners and makers. Evidence of these new literacies can be found in the new Australian Curriculum, and teachers need to explore ways to effectively integrate these into their classroom. Participants will examine their own teaching practice to better model these new literacies in their classroom.

12.45 - 1.30pm

Lunch

1.30 - 3.00pm

Designing for Connected Learning: Rethinking our Systems and Personal Practice

In this session, participants will envision and design new classrooms, schools and practices to fully serve connected learning and learners. Participants will also develop a 5 days-5 months-5 years plan for changing their own personal learning practice as a connected educator.

3.00 - 3.30pm

Sharing session and feedback on Designing for Connected Learning

3.30pm

Seminar concludes

Meet the speaker

Will Richardson

A parent of two teenagers, Will Richardson has spent the last dozen years developing an international reputation as a leading thinker and writer about the intersection of social online learning networks and education.

Will was one of a handful of original education bloggers (willrichardson.com) and his work has appeared in numerous journals, newspapers, and magazines such as Ed Leadership, District Administration, Education Week, The New York Times and English Journal. He is an outspoken advocate for change in schools and classrooms in the context of the diverse new learning opportunities that the Web and other technologies now offer.

Will has authored four books, most recently *Why School? How Education Must Change When Learning and Information are Everywhere* (September, 2012) published by TED books and based on his most recent TEDx talk in Melbourne, Australia. *Why School?* is now the #1 best-selling TED book ever. In total, his books have sold over 150,000 copies worldwide.

A former public school educator of 22 years, Will is a co-founder of Modern Learner Media which is dedicated to helping parents (raisingmodernlearners.com) and policy makers develop new contexts for new conversations around education. He also co-founded Powerful Learning Practice (plpnetwork.com), a unique professional development program that has mentored over 10,000 teachers around the world in the last six years. Over the past eight years, he has spoken to tens of thousands of educators in over a dozen countries about the merits of online learning networks for personal and professional growth.

Will lives in rural New Jersey with his wife Wendy and his children Tess and Tucker.



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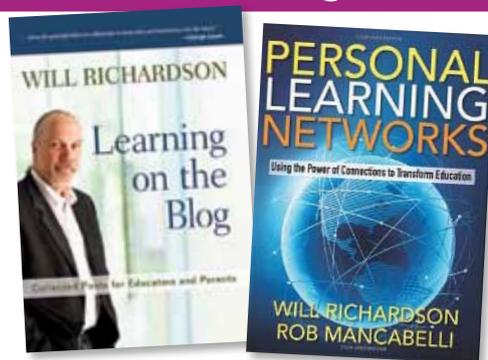
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