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Queensland Secondary Principals' Association

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Association
Conference

26-28 MAY 2021

HILTON HOTEL, BRISBANE

THE QUEENSLAND SECONDARY PRINCIPALS' ASSOCIATION (QSPA)

QSPA is the peak Professional Association for State Secondary School Principals, Deputy Principals and Heads of Department in Queensland. QSPA provides professional support, advocacy, professional development, and services to its membership. With almost 600 members, QSPA is the respected voice of secondary school leaders across Queensland.

QSPA directly represents members in policy development through contact with Government and the Minister of Education, senior officers of the Department of Education, and other peak education bodies. Our extensive cluster structure provides a strong consultative base for the elected Executive and State Council. QSPA provides significant professional development focused on secondary school leadership issues in Queensland.

CONFERENCE COSTS AND REGISTRATION PROCESS

All costs are GST inclusive and payment by schools will be processed as requested through Conference Services or as per options outlined.

For Schools registering 3 or more people attending 2 or more days a 10% discount applies to each attendee. Discount Code: QSPA3

Registration Details: <https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/QSPA21/>

3 DAYS \$800	1 DAY \$250	1 DAY \$450	2 DAYS \$720	DINNER \$95
26 MAY-28 MAY	WED 26 MAY	THU 27 or FRI 28 MAY	THU 27 & FRI 28 MAY	AWARDS PRESENTATION DINNER PER PERSON

HILTON BRISBANE ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation has been reserved at the Conference venue, the Hilton Hotel Brisbane.

Visit: https://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/B/BSBHITW-GQSPB-20210523/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG



KIRSTEN FERDINANDS

CONFERENCE CHAIR

Welcome to the 2021 Queensland Secondary Principals' Conference: **Beyond 2020**; proudly providing world class leadership learning, inspiration and collegiality. We have put 2020 behind us; we have learned from the year that was and our 2021 Conference will help focus our future thinking post COVID.

Speakers include **Mark McCrindle**, a social analyst with an international following. His passions lie in tracking emerging issues and researching social trends. Well known in the education space for his generational expertise, Mark will also share key points from his latest book – *Generational Alpha*; **Simon Breakspear**, an educational researcher and advisor, who helps leaders and their teams to adopt new evidence-informed ways of thinking and working. Simon is a Research Fellow at the UNSW Gonski Institute for Education; **Dr Ali Walker**, a social scientist who intuitively understands the conditions and systems that lead to personal and social flourishing. Ali developed the Walker Profile, a personality assessment that identifies how we connect and lead, and our behavioural drivers. She is the author of the bestselling book *Get Conscious: how to Stop Overthinking & Come Alive*; **Michael McQueen**, an award winning speaker, trend forecaster and bestselling author on the topic of navigating disruption and maintaining momentum; **Dr Jordan Nguyen**, one of Australia's most innovative engineers who has become a driving force behind both human and technological evolution as we move into the future; **Professor Selena Bartlett**, is a Professor of Neuroscience at the Queensland University of Technology. Selena understands that knowing one's brain drives compassion for other brains. **Associate Professor Scott Eacott**, widely published in the field of educational administration and leadership, providing important insights into understanding educational leadership through a relational approach; **Nic Dyson**, a globally recognised expert and practitioner in project-based learning and student entrepreneurship and is the founder of Future Anything, an award winning, curriculum aligned entrepreneurship program for high school students and **Dr Neil Carrington**, who has an international reputation as a leader and over 20 years of successful experience in an International Research Organisation, hospitals and universities; for the last 10 years Dr Carrington served as CEO of the National Charity: Act for Kids. He is a much sought-after speaker in the area of Leadership and Organisational Culture.

We welcome back Dave Faulkner and the **Education Changemakers** team to once again MC our Conference and contribute to Conference keynotes and breakout sessions.

We are privileged to welcome **Minister for Education, Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Racing -Hon Grace Grace MP** and **Director General Tony Cook** to address delegates.

We also welcome **Todd Sampson** – adventurer, award-winning documentary-maker, television presenter and businessman. Todd was formerly the CEO and Chairman of Leo Burnett, the most awarded advertising agency in Australia, and is now the writer, producer and host of a number of international documentaries including Discovery Channel's *Redesign My Brain* which won Documentary of the Year, *BodyHack* which has been nominated for Best Factual Series and Most Outstanding Documentary of the Year and more recently *Life on The Line*. I'm sure Todd will certainly inspire and entertain us over Friday lunch!

Thank you QSPA members for your interest and support of our 2021 Conference. A special thank you to our Business Partners for your ongoing commitment to QSPA.

We look forward to sharing our 2021 Conference with you and hope that you find the three days professionally and personally rewarding.



MARK BRECKENRIDGE

PRESIDENT
QUEENSLAND SECONDARY PRINCIPALS' ASSOCIATION

Mark Breckenridge is President of the Queensland Secondary Principals' Association taking up that position in January 2018.

Mark has more than thirty years of experience as Principal across a diverse range of schools from small one-teacher schools, P-10 rural through to regional and metropolitan high schools with large student enrolments.

During this wide-ranging career Mark has developed an appreciation for the complexities inherent in all schools, regardless of location or size. School leaders are the critical component in school success; addressing issues of complexity, building and sustaining relationships that help enable a culture of continuous improvement. As a Principal Mark sought to ensure that his schools were a place where community matters. He believes strongly in the value of partnerships across the community-with families, business and industry and the wider community.

From his earliest years as a Principal Mark has actively engaged in building professional and collegial networks with his fellow school leaders. These networks have been an important element in Mark's leadership journey and are a central focus of his work now as QSPA President.



HON GRACE GRACE MP

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION,
MINISTER FOR INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS
AND MINISTER FOR RACING

Grace Grace was first elected to State Parliament in October 2007 and is currently the member for McConnel.

Grace was appointed *Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations, Minister for Racing and Minister for Multicultural Affairs* in December 2015 and successfully implemented a series of important legislative reforms including the *Racing integrity Act*, the *Multicultural Recognition Act* and the *Industrial Relations Act* 2016.

Following the 2017 state election, Grace was appointed *Minister for Education and Minister for Industrial Relations* – both areas she is passionate about. Grace understands the importance of education and her tireless advocacy delivered a new high school in Fortitude Valley in 2020. The first built in the inner city for 50 years.

Grace was appointed *Minister for Education, Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Racing* following the recent 2020 state election.

During her career, Grace has had extensive director board experience with organisations including Sunsuper, Energex and Southbank Corporation.

She has worked with local community organisations in her electorate including P&C's, the New Farm Neighbourhood Centre, Teneriffe Progress Association, Queensland Aids Council (QuAC), Fortitude Valley Chamber of Commerce and many others.

Grace has lived her whole life in her electorate where she and her husband Michael raised their child, Alex.



TONY COOK

DIRECTOR GENERAL
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Before joining the Queensland Department of Education in April 2018, Tony worked for the Australian public service as the Associate Secretary for Schools and Youth within the Department of Education and Training. Tony previously held several senior executive positions in the Victorian public service, including Deputy Secretary, Government and Corporate with the Department of Premier and Cabinet; Deputy Secretary, Office for Children and Portfolio Coordination; and Deputy Secretary, Office for Planning, Strategy and Coordination within the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. He began his career with Education Queensland.

Tony is a registered primary school teacher with a major in early childhood education. He has been a deputy principal and has taught in schools and preschools in Queensland and the United Kingdom. He holds a Bachelor of Education from the Queensland University of Technology.

In October 2013 Tony was made an Honorary Fellow of the Australian Council for Education Leaders. In January 2014, he was awarded a Public Service Medal for Outstanding public service, especially in driving schools policy and funding reform in Australia.



DAVE FAULKNER

EDUCATION CHANGEMAKERS
MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Dave is the CEO and co-founder of Education Changemakers, and a global leader in K-12 education innovation. As a renowned learning designer, facilitator, and keynote speaker for some of the world's largest education events, Dave has chaired UK's BETT Arena, spoken at ASCD USA and Edutech Australia, and shared the stage with education innovators including Ken Robinson, Angela Lee Duckworth, Anthony Salcito and Sugata Mitra. Dave's education leadership journey began when he became a Principal at age 24, with further Principal tenures at Primary and Secondary schools over the next decade as well as a three-year period as a Regional Director. He is co-author of our best-selling books 'Edupreneur' and 'Dream Team', has provided professional development to more than 100,000 educators over the last decade and is a seasoned expert in driving positive education changes. Dave works globally to advise and support system and organisational education leaders.

MADDY SCOTT—JONES

EDUCATION CHANGEMAKERS
MASTER OF CEREMONIES



Maddie is the chief operations Officer at Education Changemakers and is a highly experienced facilitator and keynote speaker. Drawing on her career as a STEM teacher in secondary schools, Maddie has a particular passion for future-focused learning and instructional leadership. Maddie holds three master's degrees with distinction in education from the University of Melbourne and Australian Catholic University and sits on a number of innovative education boards. She leads on work supporting leadership improvement, "leading" much of EC's pedagogy creation and has built powerful curriculum for government departments, Microsoft, and many schools. As a passionate environmentalist she spends much of her free time undertaking expeditions across the Americas and the Pacific, and as a lead facilitator she works across the globe on our training and support programs.



MICHAEL MCQUEEN

Michael McQueen is a multi-award-winning speaker, trend forecaster and bestselling author of eight books.

Michael is a regular commentator on TV and radio his work has featured in publications ranging from the UK Daily Mail to Medium.com and the Huffington Post. In addition, Michael is a familiar face on the international conference circuit having shared the stage with the likes of Bill Gates, Dr John Maxwell, and Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak.

Having been recently named Australia's Keynote Speaker of the Year, Michael was inducted into the Professional Speakers Hall of Fame. He has spoken to over 500,000 people across 5 continents since 2004, and is known for his engaging, entertaining, and practical conference presentations. With clients including KPMG, Pepsi and Cisco, he has helped some of the world's most successful brands navigate disruption and maintain momentum.



JORDAN NGUYEN

Dr Jordan Nguyen, is one of Australia's most innovative engineers, who is committed to improving the lives of as many people as possible, and to help become a driving force behind both human and technological evolution as we move into the future.

An internationally renowned engineer for humanity, Jordan designs life-changing technologies to transform the lives of people with disabilities and the elderly through his role as founder of Psykinetic, a social business committed to bringing positive, sustainable and life-altering change, and shares his adventures through documentaries across the world. Inspired by human endeavour, Jordan has big ambitions to see our world step consciously and creatively into a better future.

Jordan is Founder and CEO of Psykinetic, a start-up social business aimed at creating futuristic, inclusive and empowering technologies to improve independence and quality of life. Currently focussing on disability and aged care, Jordan and his team have successfully created a mind-controlled wheelchair, Virtual and Augmented reality rehabilitation and inclusive gaming, an instrument that enabled a friend with cerebral palsy to play music with her eyes and blinks, and devices that make it possible to control household appliances or even drive cars using only the tiny electrical signals created from eye movements.

Jordan is an award-winning documentary maker and presenter. In 2016 he collaborated with the Australian based production company, The Feds, and the ABC Catalyst to create and present his first TV documentary *Becoming Superhuman*, which went on to win many prestigious awards both locally and internationally. His work is regularly featured in the media and he has since gone on to present a second ABC Catalyst documentary *Meet The Avatars* exploring the impacts of Virtual Reality, including creating virtual interactive avatars to preserve memories of loved ones. He has also worked with National Geographic on *China 2049* and so far presented four Discovery Channel documentaries – *Smart China*, *Time of Xi*, *Vietnam: Connecting East Africa*, and *Tibet: Living On The Roof Of The World*. He recently founded his own media company, *Time-Captain Productions* and aims to continue creating world-changing content on the intersection between technology and humanity.

Jordan is a passionate ambassador for STEAM education, adaptable mindsets and big-picture thinking and holds a degree in Electrical Engineering, First-Class Honours, Diploma in Engineering Practice, and a PhD in Biomedical Engineering (Chancellor's List) from the University of Technology Sydney. He has taught university engineering master's students in Artificial Intelligence design and Biomedical instrumentation, and has supervised many research students. He believes our young generations are the change-makers of tomorrow and have the potential to create solutions to the world's greatest challenges.

The past few years alone have been significant for Jordan. In 2017 he was a finalist for the NSW Australian of the Year. He made the list of Australia's Most Innovative Engineers by *Create Magazine* 2016, was named in *Onalytica's* Top 100 Global Influencers on Virtual Reality in both 2016 and 2017, travelled on tour with *Think Inc* and *Steve Wozniak* in 2016, won the Australian Computer Society's (ACS) 'ICT Professional of the Year' Digital Disruptors Award in 2017, and had the honour of being MC in 2018 for *An Evening With President Barack Obama* on his recent visit to Sydney.



NICOLE DYSON

Nicole is the Director of Future Learning at Education Changemakers and with her strong skill-set in deep and inquiry-based learning leads for our Future ready Programs. As a teacher in the USA, UK and Australia as well as a Head of Department and Head of Year at some of Queensland's top performing public schools, Nicole has repeatedly led the design and implementation of whole school curriculum changes to support future ready learning. She is a globally recognised expert and practitioner in project-based learning and student entrepreneurship and is the co-founder of MAYK, an award winning, entrepreneurship program for high school students. Nicole works globally with EC from our Melbourne office.

SCOTT MILLAR



The tech-head prodigy behind BOP Industries, Scott Millar is a young entrepreneur taking the world by storm. Compared to a young Steve Jobs after turning a year nine business project into a thriving business, Scott has deferred university to run BOP Industries full time, now with a growing presence around the world. BOP Industries is a Brisbane based technology and education company on the mission to inspire the next generation of digital creators, showing students around the world how they can do amazing things at any age from anywhere. With a focus on entrepreneurship, technology and the future of work, Scott and his team are working to build a generation of change-makers.



MARK MCCRINDLE

Mark McCrindle is a social researcher and futurist with an international following. He is recognised as a leader in tracking emerging issues and researching social trends. As an award-winning social researcher Mark has appeared across many television networks and other media. He is a best-selling author, an influential thought leader, TEDx speaker and Principal of McCrindle Research. His advisory, communications and research company, McCrindle, count among its clients more than 100 of Australia's largest companies and leading international brands.

Mark's highly valued research and reports, presented through infographics, data visualisations, videos, media input, resources and blogs have developed his regard as an expert demographer, futurist and social commentator. Mark brings a fresh approach to his research-based boardroom briefings, executive workshops, strategy sessions and keynotes. Equipped with the latest findings and presented in a customised and innovative way, Mark is an in-demand communicator.

Mark sits on a number of government, charity and industry boards, and is the author of three books on emerging trends and social change. The ABC of XYZ: Understanding the Global Generations, Word Up: A lexicon and Guide to Communication in the 21st Century and The Power of Good.



DR NEIL CARRINGTON

Dr Carrington was the Australian Institute of Management Business Leader of the year in 2016 and a finalist in the Qld Philanthropist of the Year 2016, 2018 and 2019. He was the Harvard Club of Australia Fellow for 2013. In June 2018 he was one of only 22 Business Leaders selected from around the world to attend the London School of Business International Leaders Program in London.

Neil recently stepped down after 10 years as the CEO of a national charity 'ACT For Kids,' an organisation dedicated to supporting abused and neglected children. He most recently was the Director of the Leadership Centre for the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) Dr Carrington was the Foundation Director of Education for Mater Health Services in Brisbane Australia (a group of seven hospitals). Dr Carrington spent over 3 years as Queensland University of Technology's Director of Teaching and Learning with university wide responsibility for teaching quality, staff development and online learning services for over 40 000 students. Dr Carrington has held educational academic and leadership positions at a number of universities including Director of School Experience at the University of New England and the University of Western Sydney. He has taught and led in schools as diverse as Cunnamulla and London.

He has presented at over 650 conferences throughout Australia, the UK, Middle East, USA, NZ and across Asia. His featured presentation in the business strand of the 'World Conference on Thinking' in Malaysia sold out. He was invited to work with the New Zealand Elite Coaching Academy and the coach of the All Blacks commented Neil's leadership workshop was the best he had ever attended. His PhD into perceptions of intelligence was judged one of the largest and most rigorous studies of its type ever undertaken in Australia.



PROFESSOR SELENA BARTLETT

Professor Selena Bartlett is a Group Leader in Neuroscience and Neuroplasticity at the Translational Research Institute and a Research Capacity Building Professor in the School of Clinical Sciences, Faculty of Health, QUT.

She was recently awarded the Lawrie Austin Award for her contributions to neuroscience from the Australian Neuroscience Society. This resulted from her dedicated research over twenty-five years in brain science resulting from turning her sister's mental health problems in 1989 into understanding how the brain works and believing that brain health and neuroplasticity is the great revolution underway. She has extensive training and expertise with degrees in mathematics, pharmacy, a PhD in neuropharmacology at UQ, a postdoc in neurobiology at prestigious John Curtin School of Medical Research at ANU.

From 2004 to 2012, Professor Bartlett moved to the United States and directed the Preclinical Development Group at the Ernest Gallo Clinic and Research Centre, a top alcohol- and addiction-research institution, at the University of California at San Francisco. Here she focused on turning basic research discoveries into treatments for neurological problems such as addiction, pain, stress, anxiety, and depression. In 2014 she presented her findings on brain fitness and the neuroplasticity revolution in a TEDx talk. She has written over 100 scientific papers, written three books for the general public, developed two mobile apps. This work is transformative, and if applied in society, has the potential to disrupt the cycle of trauma, poverty, and incarceration. Professor Bartlett is a passionate advocate for people and helping each of us understand the untapped potential and beauty of the brain's capacity for growth, health and fitness.



SHERYL BATCHELOR

Sheryl Batchelor is a proud Kunja woman and registered teacher with over 28 years teaching, training and leadership experience in a variety of educational, community and health settings. She has been involved in projects that have measurably improved the memory, attention, brain speed and social skills of the most vulnerable children, youth and adults with severe learning and behavioural challenges arising from trauma, abuse, neglect, disabilities and other causes including children in foster care and young people in the Youth Justice system.

Sheryl is a certified trainer of various neuroplasticity programs and adopts a personalised approach with no one-size-fits-all. She has presented at conferences and workshops in Australia as well as in the USA and UK. She has a keen interest in working with communities to break the cycle of intergenerational disadvantage through using scientifically validated neuroplasticity programs aimed to improve the brain health of all individuals.

Sheryl established Yiliyapinya (which means Brain) in 2019 as a not-for-profit, registered charity to assist vulnerable children, youth, adults, and seniors improve their quality of life. Yiliyapinya's unique service offerings are grounded in one purpose – to close the gap in learning and earning outcomes of people who have experienced adverse life circumstances/toxic stress in a culturally responsive and contextualised manner.



DR ALI WALKER

Communication creates culture. Culture shapes values. And values determine our future. Our happiness and wellbeing depend on how connected we feel to the people around us. And no one knows how to make this happen quite like Dr Ali Walker.

As a social scientist, Ali intuitively understands the conditions and systems that lead to personal and social flourishing. Ali developed the Walker Profile, a personality assessment that identifies how we connect and lead, and our behavioural drivers. These insights have helped organisations grow, teams excel, and individuals thrive.

Ali has a PhD in group behaviour from the Australian National University and lectures in the Business School at UNSW Sydney in leadership and teams. In addition to her PhD, Ali has a master's degree in international law & International Relations and two undergraduate degrees in Law (with Merit) and Arts (Politics & International Relations) from the University of NSW. She's even found time to write a bestselling book *Get Conscious: how to Stop Overthinking & Come Alive*.

Ali spoke at TEDxUNSW 2018 and has given inspirational keynotes for top businesses in Australia and internationally. She is genuine and real, and instantly forms a connection with any audience... that comes naturally to her.

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
SCOTT EACOTT



Scott is Associate Professor in the School of Education at UNSW Sydney, and Adjunct Professor in the Department of Educational Administration at the University of Saskatchewan. Formerly a school executive working in NSW schools, he has also worked at the University of Newcastle and ACU. A/Prof Eacott's research interests and contributions have focused on developing a *relational* approach to organising education and what this means for leading change and the preparation and development of current and aspiring school leaders. Current projects include: a longitudinal analysis of school consolidation in regional secondary schools; a study of high-impact leaders in regional, rural, and remote education; school autonomy and social justice; and a study on the impact of context on school leadership. Further details of his work can be found at scotteacott.com and you can connect with him via Twitter - @ScottEacott



SIMON BREAKSPEAR

Simon Breakspear is recognised internationally as a leading thinker on the future of learning and educational innovation.

As the founder of LearnLabs, a global learning strategy and design agency, he helps school, system and policy leaders design and deliver high-impact strategies to enable deeper learning at scale. He has worked with and spoken to leaders across Australia, New Zealand, the USA, the UK, Europe, Canada, Israel, Hong Kong and India.

Simon works at the intersection of learning innovation and system reform. He has contributed to the OECD PISA and Innovative Learning Environments projects and launched the global Agile Schools movement. He incubates networks of the next generation of educational leaders through curating emerging leaders' summits and advises educational technology start-ups committed to improving the quality and equity of learning.

Simon holds bachelor's degrees in psychology and Teaching. He did his graduate studies in education as a Commonwealth Scholar at the University of Oxford and as a Gates Scholar at the University of Cambridge.



ANDREW PIERPOINT

Andrew Pierpoint is President of the Australian Secondary Principals' Association – the peak body for School Leaders across Australia. He previously was President of the Queensland Secondary Principals' Association for four (4) years.

Andrew has had extensive experience, over 37 years, in High Schools as a science teacher, Head of Department (Science), Deputy Principal and Principal as well as having several system positions in the support of Principals. Throughout his career, Andrew has worked in complex rural and remote communities through to large regional and metropolitan schools. He has led communities and reference groups at district, regional, state and national levels.

Andrew's special interests are the provision of high-quality professional learning for school leaders, school leader wellbeing and is personally highly active in school sport – particularly cricket and golf.

Andrew has demonstrated a passion for State (Government) Education in Australia driven by the values of social justice and equity and possess an excellent understanding of the Principalship from firsthand experience. Most importantly, Andrew has a genuine desire to make a meaningful difference for school leaders in the application of their ever increasing, complex roles in schools and the broader communities they work in.



AMANDA HEFFERNAN

Amanda is a Lecturer in Educational Leadership at Monash University's Faculty of Education. Her research focuses on the contemporary challenges of principals' work, and what that means for how we can better attract, support, and keep school leaders within the profession. She tweets @chalkhands.

Headspace – POLLY CHESTER



Polly is a social worker and academic whose research focus has primarily been on complex mental health care. Polly has published several scholarly articles in the areas of recovery-oriented mental health practice, implementation research, the symbiotic relationship between physical and mental health, and palliative care.

She has been involved with high level evaluation projects within public mental health in SE Queensland. Polly has also been a tertiary educator for 5 years, teaching foundational social work subjects within undergraduate and postgraduate degree programs.

Polly has worked as a generalist and clinical palliative care social work practitioner. During that time she was responsible for developing a model of care for social workers in the palliative care space, with a major focus on the value of interdisciplinary practice. Polly has also spent time providing intercultural communication consultation for the Government Health sector, to promote health equity for marginalised populations.

Polly's academic and clinical experience provide a solid foundation for providing support for school leaders and she is focused on helping people build resilience in the face of complex, evolving social challenges.



TODD SAMPSON

Todd Sampson was formerly the CEO and Chairman of Leo Burnett, the most awarded Advertising Agency in Australia, whose clients include AAPT, Amstel, Australia Post, Caltex, Canon, Colgate Palmolive, Colonial First State, Diago, Energy Australia, Fairfax, Heineken, Macquarie Bank, Nestle, NRMA, Procter & Gamble (Herbal Essence & Max Factor), Rabobank, Samsung, Scope, Vero Insurance and WWF.

He's an adventurer, award-winning documentary-maker, television presenter and businessman. The Financial Review and News Limited ranked him as one of the most influential executives in Australia. He currently sits on the Board of Directors of both Fairfax and Qantas. He is also the co-creator of the Earth Hour initiative, one of the largest environmental movements in history reaching over 1 billion people in 5500 cities worldwide. the coveted Titanium at Cannes and Yahoo Chair for Innovation in 2008. That same year Earth Hour was awarded B&T's Creative Campaign of the Year in Australia and in 2009 it became the biggest environment movement in history with over one billion participants.

He is now the writer, producer, and host of a number of international documentaries including Discovery Channel's Redesign My Brain which won Documentary of the Year, BodyHack which has been nominated for Best Factual Series and Most Outstanding Documentary of the Year and more recently Life on The Line. One reviewer colourfully captured Todd's unique approach, "If Bear Grylls, Louis Theroux and Brian Cox had a love child together, it would be Todd Sampson."

Away from work, he enjoys mountain climbing and has completed an unguided ascent to the summit of Mount Everest.

Todd started his television career on the critically acclaimed ABC series GRUEN which is still one of the most popular shows on television today. He is also a regular host of Channel 10 news program The Project.

The Financial Review called Todd the most influential advertising executive and a News Limited poll ranked him as the most influential leader in Australia. He has also been named one of the most influential men under 45 by Men's Style and nominated for GQ's 'Man of the Year'.

Wednesday 26th May

- 7.30-8.15 Registration/Networking with pastries, tea and coffee
- 8:15-8.30 Student entertainment – Coolum State High School
Grand Ballroom
- 8:30-8.40 Welcome Conference Chair Kirsten Ferdinands
& QSPA President Mark Breckenridge
- 8:40-10.00 Keynote – Michael McQueen ‘The Post-COVID Kickstart’
Grand Ballroom
- 10:00-10.05 Health Partner Presentation: TUH- **Grand Ballroom**
- 10:05-10.50 Morning tea
- 10:50-10.55 Gold Partner Presentation: Kitsunei- **Grand Ballroom**
- 10:55-12.00 Schools Showcase – Hear from colleagues around the state as four schools share the great things happening in their ‘great school down the road’
Grand Ballroom
- 12:00-12.05 Gold Partner Presentation: Daymap- **Grand Ballroom**
- 12:05-1.00 **Lunch and Poster Session**
- 1.00-1.05 Gold Partner Presentation: tes smart Education- **Grand Ballroom**
- 1:05-2.00 ‘Spark’ –TEDx-style thought provocations from three world class educators.
Scott Millar, Dr Jordan Nguyen, Nicole Dyson- **Grand Ballroom**
- 2:00-2.40 Amplify 1
Add volume to the Spark, in conversation with one of our speakers.
Scott Millar- **Grand Ballroom**
Dr Jordan Nguyen – **Victoria’s Room (level 6)**
Nicole Dyson – **Queens Ballroom**
- 2:40-3.00 Afternoon Tea
- 3:00-3.40 Amplify 2
Add volume to the Spark, in conversation with one of our speakers.
Scott Millar- **Grand Ballroom**
Dr Jordan Nguyen – **Victoria’s Room (level 6)**
Nicole Dyson – **Queens Ballroom**
- 3:45-4.25 Amplify 3
Add volume to the Spark, in conversation with one of our speakers.
Scott Millar- **Grand Ballroom**
Dr Jordan Nguyen – **Victoria’s Room (level 6)**
Nicole Dyson – **Queens Ballroom**
- 5:00 CLOSE
Welcome Reception Level 5 **Moreton/Redlands/Lockyer Rooms**

Thursday 27th May

7.30-8.15	Registration/Networking
8:15.8.30	Student entertainment – Craigslea State High School- Grand Ballroom
8:30-8.45	Welcome, Kirsten Ferdinands, Conference Chair and Mark Breckenridge, President QSPA
8.45-9.30	Tony Cook Director General Department of Education, Industrial Relations and Racing- Grand Ballroom
9:30-10.45	Keynote- Mark McCrindle, 'Future of Education' Beyond 2020 - Grand Ballroom
10:45-10.55	Platinum Partner Presentation: MSP Photography- Grand Ballroom
10:55-11.30	Morning tea
11:30-11.40	Platinum Partner Presentation: Compass- Grand Ballroom
11:40-12.25	Beyond 2020 Perspectives – Panel Dr Neil Carrington, Dr Ali Walker, Associate Professor Scott Eacott - Grand Ballroom
12.25-12.30	Gold Partner Presentation: Atomi- Grand Ballroom
12:30-1.00	Beyond 2020 Perspectives Masterclass 1 Dr Neil Carrington- Grand Ballroom Dr Ali Walker – Victoria's Room (level 6) Associate Professor Scott Eacott – Queens Ballroom
1:00-1.40	Lunch
1.40-2.10	Beyond 2020 Perspectives Masterclass 2 Dr Neil Carrington- Grand Ballroom Dr Ali Walker – Victoria's Room (level 6) Associate Professor Scott Eacott – Queens Ballroom
2:10-2.40	Beyond 2020 Perspectives Masterclass 3 Dr Neil Carrington- Grand Ballroom Dr Ali Walker – Victoria's Room (level 6) Associate Professor Scott Eacott – Queens Ballroom
2.40-3.00	Afternoon tea
3.00-3.10	Platinum Partner Presentation: tynans- Grand Ballroom
3:10-4.30	Simon Breakspear Masterclass- Grand Ballroom

Thursday Evening Program

7:00pm-11pm	Pre-dinner drinks Grand Ballroom, QSPA 2021 Conference Dinner & Awards Presentation, Charity Presentation – Variety . Master of Ceremonies: Steve Wakerley. Music and dancing with Bootleg Flyers Band .
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Friday 28th May

- 7.30-8.15 Registration/Networking
- 8:15-8.30 Student entertainment – Milpera State High School
- **Grand Ballroom**
- 8:30-9.00 The Hon. Grace Grace Minister for Education,
Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Racing
- **Grand Ballroom**
- 9:00-10.15 Keynote – Professor Selena Bartlett and Sheryl Batchelor ‘Brain Health’
- **Grand Ballroom**
- 10:15-10.25 Platinum Partner Presentation: Readcloud
- **Grand Ballroom**
- 10:25-10.55 Morning tea
- 10:55-11.05 Platinum Partner Presentation: Education Perfect
- **Grand Ballroom**
- 11:05-11.50 ASPA President Andrew Pierpoint
- **Grand Ballroom**
- 11.50-11.55 Gold Partner Presentation: TAFE QLD
- **Grand Ballroom**
- 11:55-12.45 Dr Amanda Heffernan and Andrew Pierpoint
- **Victoria’s Room (level 6)**
Headspace Principal Wellbeing Masterclass with Polly Chester
- **Queens Ballroom**
- 12:45-1.30 Dr Amanda Heffernan and Andrew Pierpoint
- **Victoria’s Room (level 6)**
Headspace Principal Wellbeing Masterclass with Polly Chester
- **Queens Ballroom**
- 1:30-3.00 QSPA Leadership Lunch proudly sponsored
by our Gold Partner Pivot Professional Learning
Featuring ‘**Brain Power**’ Todd Sampson
- **Grand Ballroom**

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