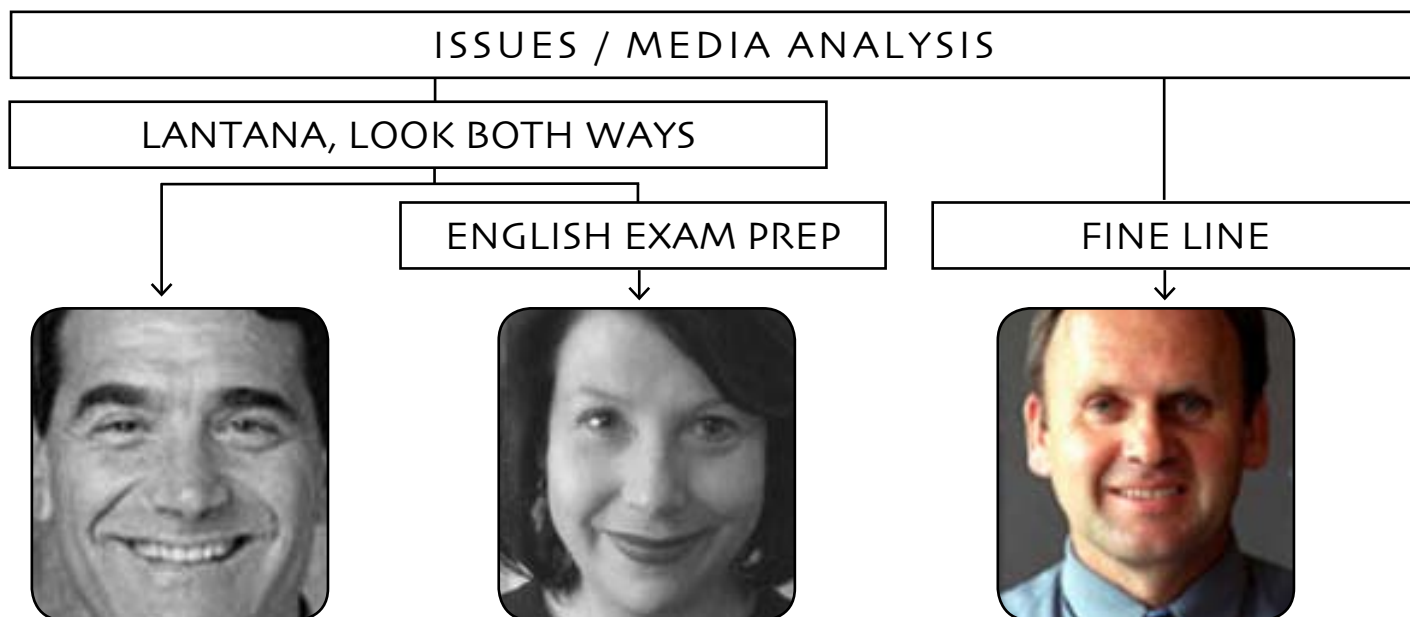


Staying On Top of VCE

2007 Programs - Media & Film Analysis

Speakers available for sessions on:



John Schwartz

An academic at Swinburne University, John Schwartz has been a lecturer in the Media Studies department for the last decade. While John's areas of interest include textual analysis, popular culture and postmodernism, he is also extremely well versed in the role of media in Australia, specifically as a social, economic and political institution.

Over the past few years, John has drawn from his extensive expertise in Media Studies to help VCE students approach both Issues in the Media and film text examinations.

Other topics: Breaker Morant, Billy Elliot, Frontline, Cabaret, Dead Letter Office, Shakespeare in Love, Gattaca



Karen Ford

Karen Ford MA, B.Ed is a lecturer, writer and Education Consultant. A secondary teacher for 17 years, she currently lectures in film at the Victorian College of the Arts and The University of Melbourne and is conducting research for a PhD in Cinema.

Karen is an assessor of English and the GAT for VCAA and has been a reviewer for English. For three years she was a lecturer at Cinemedia conducting lectures and workshops to both students and staff as part of their Screen Education Program and she has been an advisor to the Text Selection Committee for VCE English.

Other topics: The Curious Incident..., Kite Runner, The Accidental Tourist, Persuasive Writing and more.



John Kilner

John is a well known expert in the fields of media issues, writing analysis and persuasive writing. He currently works part-time at The Education Age.

John has authored or edited a number of books on the media and writing. He is an enthusiastic and motivating speaker, addressing many thousands of students each year. VCE sessions are specifically targeted to curriculum requirements and are in high demand. A further specialty is middle school issues - he has conducted a workshop each year for some years at the annual VATE Conference on this theme.

Other topics: Persuasive Writing, Media Ethics.



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2007 Programs - Motivation & Study Skills

Start of Term - Year 12 Retreat - End of Year Assembly - Graduation Night... and everything in between.

Marcus Robertson

Marcus is a 26 year old final year medical student, swimmer with the Victorian Institute of Sport and motivational speaker. Available all year round for talks on numerous pertinent topics including: Balancing Study with a Healthy Lifestyle, Perseverance, Goal Setting and Time Management to name a few.

"The audience were fascinated and intrigued. One of the most succinct and effective guest speakers we have had. Year 12 students were most impressed and appreciative of his highly appropriate message."

Peter Malcolm

Antarctic adventurer and ecologist, Peter Malcolm gives a one hour talk on a passionate perspective about life after Year 12. Based on his own rich story, Peter uses slides to tell a story about following your passions and creating real projects and opportunities out of visions and dreams. Peter's story is one of triumphs and disasters, commitment to your goals and achieving them one step at a time and about being real, being compassionate and acting with humility and trust.

"Peter succeeded in exciting the whole school community."

Declan Fay

Co-host of weekly comedy program *The Pinch* on radio station Triple R, writer, performer and comedian, Declan Fay is quickly becoming one of Melbourne's funniest motivational speakers. Combining humour and life experience to entertain audiences of all ages, Declan is the perfect speaker to get your students seeing the lighter side of Year 12 while at the same time motivating them to achieve their potential.

"Great presentation - hung on to every word. I thought Declan was excellent - exactly on the students' level."

Information on Booked Out's entire range of 2006 VCE Programs is available at: www.bookedout.com.au/vce. Following are two more programs for your school.

Paul Kelly Lyrics

Frank Jones presents an insightful presentation on DON'T START ME TALKING. Frank is a songwriter for Mushroom Music Publishing.

"Our Year 12 students were gripped by Frank Jones' neatly structured presentation. As well as performing an apt selection of Kelly songs, Jones offered some analysis of each song's salient musical, lyrical and thematic features, in a relaxed and accessible style."

"A student commented after the session 'Now I really see how I could write an essay on the Kelly songs. I can't wait to study them'. This presentation offers an excellent introduction to the study of Kelly's lyrics and I would recommend it to other schools."

- Anna Symes, St Leonard's College.

Literature Texts

Gregory Day's THE PATRON SAINT OF EELS

Gregory's debut novel is a new addition to the Literature text list in 2007. He is available for talks on his novel as well his career as a writer, poet and musician.

Li Cunxin's MAO'S LAST DANCER

Li is available for talks to students on his novel as well as inspirational talks to school and community groups about his experiences while growing up, his ballet training and performance years and his transition to western culture.



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