



# YOUTH ANZAAS 2010 July 4<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>



University of New South Wales and The Centre, Sydney

Sunday July 4th to Friday July 9th 2010

## **About Youth ANZAAS**

Youth ANZAAS is a residential five day national conference for about 54 science students in Years 10, 11 and 12 from Australian and New Zealand schools.

The conference is organised by the Australian & New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science (ANZAAS), one of Australia's oldest scientific associations. The association holds this annual conference to give students a broad perspective on the aims and practice of scientific endeavour, ranging from satisfying curiosity and the drive to discover, to the application of science in the real world. It gives students the opportunity to visit world-class facilities where research is taking place and to meet leading scientists. These experiences are usually unavailable to the general public. The conference also allows students to meet like-minded peers who share their passion for science.

Youth ANZAAS 2010 will be held in Sydney from Sunday 4th July to Friday 9th July. Delegates will stay at The Centre, a conference venue in Frances Street, Randwick, near the University of New South Wales (UNSW). Many of the activities are organised through the University of New South Wales.

The selection of delegates is based on academic merit and interest in science. Disadvantaged and remote backgrounds are taken into account. For more information about the conference and applying to attend visit [www.anzaas.org.au/youth.html](http://www.anzaas.org.au/youth.html). Please register your interest by clicking the link provided so you can be kept up to date with the latest news about the program, or send an email to [youth\\_anzaas\\_interest@anzaas.org.au](mailto:youth_anzaas_interest@anzaas.org.au) telling us who and where you are.

## **Applications**

Applications will open early in March and close on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2010, please check the website for application forms and more details.

## **Travel and Costs**

Successful applicants not from NSW or ACT will be flown from their capital city to Sydney at no cost to themselves.

There will be a charge of \$500 to cover things like accommodation, meals and local transport. It is anticipated that there may be financial assistance in some cases, however this may vary from state to state.

## **Preliminary Programme (subject to change)**

On Sunday 4th July delegates will be met at Sydney airport and accompanied to The Centre where there will be activities designed so that delegates can mix and get settled. On Monday 5th July, delegates will attend the Conference of the Science Teachers of Australia (CONASTA) and attend lectures by eminent scientists and meet with them informally. They will also visit the Centre for Forensic Science at the University of Technology, Sydney. On Tuesday and Wednesday they will attend activities at UNSW including the telescope and the portable planetarium, visit a beach to observe the physics of surf and visit the Sydney Institute of Marine Science, Chowder Bay. On Thursday there will be visits to the nuclear reactor at Lucas Heights and an industrial chemical site. The conference dinner will be held on Wednesday night with a keynote speech from a prominent Australian scientist. Delegates will be accompanied to their flights or other transport on Friday 9th July.

The entire conference will be supervised by responsible adults.

For more details email: [youth\\_anzaas\\_interest@anzaas.org.au](mailto:youth_anzaas_interest@anzaas.org.au) or visit: <http://www.anzaas.org.au/youth.html>



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## ADVICE TO APPLICANTS AND THEIR PARENTS

### New Zealand Students

If you live in New Zealand please apply through the Royal Society of New Zealand. For application details go to: [www.royalsociety.org.nz/Site/TeachersStudents/Funding\\_for\\_students/science\\_schools/default.aspx](http://www.royalsociety.org.nz/Site/TeachersStudents/Funding_for_students/science_schools/default.aspx)

### Australian Students

#### Deadline

Australian applications for Youth ANZAAS 2010 (YA10) must be received by the close of business Friday April 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### Application Format

As there will be a large number of applications, processing will be facilitated if they are typed, and this is preferred. However we understand this will not be possible for everyone so a written submission is fully acceptable.

The purpose of the student essay is to give us some understanding of what aspect of science you enjoy and enables us to pick the most passionate students to attend. Essays should be kept under 300 words at a maximum. We will not grade English skill but will assess how you see science and it's role in your life. Use this as a chance to share your passion!

The teacher's submission should support the student's essay by detailing why the student will benefit from the conference as well as why they deserve what is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

#### The Cost

In 2010 the cost of the program to students will be \$500, covering all living and food prices. We have been fortunate to receive Federal Government funding for interstate air transport. Students will need to pay after they have been selected and before the conference.

#### Further Assistance

We understand there may be factors in addition to the essay and teacher submission that we need to take into account in selecting student delegates. Special circumstances might include, but are not limited to, remote location, ethnic background, being new to Australia, or a physical disability.

Further the cost may make some students hesitant to apply. While we cannot be specific as yet we hope to be able to offer some financial assistance in appropriate circumstances. If you feel you may be eligible for assistance please include details with your application.

#### The Program

Details of the program are still being arranged. More information will be published on the website from time to time..

#### Submission

Please send applications to one of the following:

[ya\\_application@anzaas.org.au](mailto:ya_application@anzaas.org.au) or

M/s Jacinta Green, School of BEES, University of New South Wales, SYDNEY NSW 2052, fax:+612 9385 2202.

#### Response

Applicants will be notified by email of receipt of their submission. We will also notify every student as to whether they have been successful or not.

If you have any questions regarding an application please send them to: [youth\\_anzaas\\_interest@anzaas.org.au](mailto:youth_anzaas_interest@anzaas.org.au)



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## AUSTRALIAN APPLICATION FORM

Please read the "Advice to Applicants and their Parents" before filling in this form. We prefer applications to be typed however writing is acceptable.

New Zealand Students please see the accompanying "Advice to Applicants and their Parents" form to learn how you should apply.

### Details:

First Name: ..... Last Name: .....

Year Level: 10 / 11 / 12 ..... School: .....

Phone Number: (.....)..... Mobile: .....

Address: .....

Suburb: .....

Post Code:..... State: .....

Email: .....

How did you hear about YA10?: .....

### Student statement:

In 200-250 words discuss one of the following and attach your essay to this form.

- The subject / field of science that you want to know more about or most excites you
- An issue you feel scientists should be focusing their research energy upon
- The influence that sparked your passion for science

### Teacher Statement:

Please get your teacher to attach a brief paragraph stating why you would be a good delegate for YA10. (i.e. grades, class participation, extra curricular activities). The statement should also include the teacher's name and position.

### Further Assistance:

If you feel you have circumstances that warrant special consideration or if you may require financial assistance please attach a note about these to your application.

### Parent/Guardian Approval:

I have read the "Advice for Applicants and their Parents" document and give permission for .....  
to apply to, and if successful, attend Youth ANZAAS 2010. Further I agree to pay the student delegate fee of \$500 if the application is successful.

Signed..... Relationship:..... Date:.....

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