



deaf education network



Auslan Only Weekend



Auslan Only Weekend (AOW) is a National Award winner for Excellence of Program Construction and Delivery.

A no-voice, fully catered residential weekend. Available at 3 levels, this award-winning program will amaze, challenge and delight all participants who will:

- Experience living with native signers in an Auslan only environment.
- Be challenged by group and individual tasks to achieve goals, using sign knowledge and visual expression.
- Experience formal and informal settings in Auslan.
- Maximise their learning experience through total immersion in the language and the culture.

Next Auslan Only Weekend workshops

	<u>AOW 1</u>	<u>AOW 2</u>	<u>AOW 3</u>
Dates:	7pm, Fri 28 October - 4pm, Sun 30 October 2011	7pm, Fri 27 May to 4pm, Sun 29 May 2011	May, 2012
Location:	Stanwell Tops	Stanwell Tops	
Course:	411 700	211 701	
Cost:	\$296 (or \$265 if you enrol before 30 September 2011)	\$296 (or \$265 if you enrol before 29 April 2011)	

Auslan Only Weekend 1

Who should attend?

This is designed for people who:

- Want to boost their signing and visual communication skills in a very short time period.
- Want to consolidate skills learnt week-by-week or at weekend classes or through meeting native signers.

Prerequisite: Auslan Only BBQ.

Participants will:

- Experience a Deaf environment – where signing and visual expression are the means of communication.
- Have the opportunity to experience living in an Auslan Only context.
- Team up with other participants to work on tasks that require you to put sign language into context.
- Participate in role plays with opportunities to informally discuss feelings and experiences in Auslan.

Auslan Only Weekend 2

Who should attend?

This is designed for people who:

- Want to experience Auslan as the common denominator in a team.
- Want to take in information in Auslan.

Prerequisite: Completion of Certificate II in Auslan or equivalent.

Participants will:

- Use Auslan to plan strategies.
- Experience team building and competition in a non-verbal environment.
- Experience a world of visual communication for a full 45 hours.
- Receive instruction in Auslan for an extensive period of time.
- Question your regular behaviours and attitudes towards others.

Auslan Only Weekend 3

Who should attend?

This weekend program is designed for people who:

- Want to take their well-developed Auslan skills to the next level, with focus on improving spatial awareness, non-manual features and the use of role shift.
- Want to develop effective team communication strategies, as they use Auslan to communicate and problem solve with their Deaf and hearing peers.

Prerequisite: Currently undertaking study of Certificate IV in Auslan or higher.

Participants will:

- Use a range of signing methods, including hand-over-hand and fingerspelling, to communicate with their team mates during language activities.
- Receive individual feedback in Auslan.
- Attend Auslan workshops which focus on the language components utilised in storytelling, including the use of space, non-manual features and classifiers.
- Be exposed to a diversity of signing styles in a supportive voice-off environment.

Other Auslan Themed Workshops:

Auslan Only BBQ

DEN's themed workshops include Auslan Only BBQ, which combine:

- a relaxed, social, team-oriented environment
- language acquisition activities
- conversation and interaction with native signers in an Auslan only environment

For further information about DEN's Auslan courses,

see DEN's brochure for Auslan Courses,

or contact **Anna Nardi** by

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