



# Montessori Children's Foundation Annual Lecture

## Thursday, 5 June 2008, Sydney

### Good at Doing Things: Montessori Education and Higher-Order Cognitive Development

Why has the Montessori method earned international recognition for its impact on child development? How does Montessori education fit with the way brains learn and grow? In this special presentation, Dr. Steven Hughes will describe key aspects of brain function, and explain why Montessori education is the original "brain-based" method of instruction.

**Steven J. Hughes**, PhD, LP, ABPdN is Director of Education and Research for The TOVA Company, and assistant professor of pediatrics and neurology at the University of Minnesota Medical School. Dr Hughes completed his PhD in clinical psychology at the University of Minnesota and his post-doctoral fellowship in pediatric neuropsychology at the University of Minnesota Medical School, where he joined the faculty of the Division of Pediatric Neuropsychology in 2001. He specialises in the neuropsychological assessment of children and adolescents with a wide range of developmental and medical disorders, and assists in the supervision and training of future neuropsychologists. His research interests include measurement of attention and executive functioning in young children, the effects of living in poverty on child development, and the neurodevelopmental benefits of classical Montessori education.



Thursday, 5 June 2008, 7:00pm to 9:30pm

Novotel Brighton Beach  
Corner The Grand Parade and Princess Street  
Brighton-Le-Sands (Venue is near Sydney Airport)

Registration Fee: \$60

Lecture will be followed by supper and a chance to enjoy various Montessori displays and an opportunity to examine and discuss Montessori programs and materials.

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The Montessori Children's Foundation was established to provide communities in Australia's urban, regional and remote areas with access to Montessori programmes. The Foundation has a specific commitment to working with Indigenous and disadvantaged communities facing hardship.

The Annual Lecture is an initiative of the Montessori Children's Foundation designed to share Montessori's legacy and to place children's issues at the centre of society's agenda.

Proceeds from the evening will support the work of the Montessori Children's Foundation.

Together we will advocate for the right of each child to a Montessori education and source the funds necessary to establish Montessori environments for children in urban, regional and remote Indigenous and disadvantaged communities.



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