

ISTJ OCEANIA CHAPTER INAUGURAL 2019 SYMPOSIUM

Join the Oceania Chapter of the International Society of Therapeutic Jurisprudence for our inaugural symposium

**13th - 14th April 2019
Qld University of Technology, Brisbane
(Gardens Point campus)**

An open invitation

Convenors Nigel Stobbs and Katey Thom invite you to attend the inaugural annual symposium of the Oceania Chapter of the International Society for Therapeutic Jurisprudence (ISTJ).

Our hope is that these symposia will become an annual event, moving between locations, and that they will be truly supportive, collegiate and enjoyable events which we all look forward to and come away from feeling reinvigorated by our common commitment to TJ.

All who are interested in TJ are welcome, including but not limited to, academics of all disciplines, health, social care and community practitioners, prosecutors, policy makers, court staff, judicial officers.

Unlike typical academic conferences and symposia, these annual events to be less formal and more practically focussed. Rather than asking attendees to present papers, we intend to plan sessions in which we work together to help develop and progress each other's work. A core focus will be to create opportunities to collaborate on projects to further the contribution of TJ to the justice systems in our countries.

Costs

In keeping with the informal nature of the event, we are endeavouring to minimise costs to attendees as much as possible.

QUT Faculty of Law will cover the venue hire so there will be **no registration fee**.

The Faculty will also provide partial funding to cater for lunches and we will look around for a low cost dinner venue for the Saturday night. In keeping with long established TJ tradition we will organise karaoke for after dinner on Saturday for those who want to participate.

There are quite a few low cost accommodation options not far from QUT, which we will link to via the symposium thread on the ISTJ forum.

We encourage attendees to use the Oceania forum to organise group bookings via Airbnb.

What's next?

If you want to attend, email Katey at k.thom@auckland.ac.nz to be registered.

In the months and weeks leading up to the symposium we will send out emails asking attendees to send in details of one TJ related project or publication they are working on.

You can decide how much depth of detail you want to provide. It could be anything from a one page outline to a full draft paper, grant application or project proposal.

Those attending must be prepared to pre-read documents and contribute some positive, supportive and helpful input during relevant sessions.

Can't make it, but still want to be involved?

Regardless of whether you are coming to the symposium, we would love to have you join the Oceania Chapter of the ISTJ. Simply visit <https://www.intltj.com/> to join the society and contact Katey at katey.thom@aut.ac.nz for further information on being part of the Oceania Chapter