

LASALLIAN CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE



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490 Thomson Road, Singapore 298191



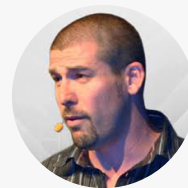
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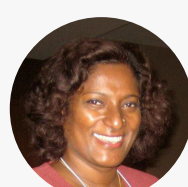
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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS



BROTHER ARMAND ALCAZAR

Brother Armand Alcazar, FSC began teaching high school in Omaha, Nebraska in 1971 and has been teaching in college since 1992. His degrees are in: Religion, Education, Religious Education, Spirituality and Religious Studies. Much of his adult career was in Memphis, Tennessee before returning to his hometown, Chicago, to serve as Auxiliary Provincial for the De La Salle Brothers of the Midwest.

After one term in administration he returned to his first love, teaching, at Lewis University, where he has taught for the last 10 years in the theology department. Along with teaching theology to undergraduates, he gives presentations and retreats with interests lying in: Spirituality for Adults, the Catholic Intellectual Tradition, Teaching as Vocation, Changing Demographics of Catholics in the U.S., Reconnecting to the True Self, and the Role of Hospitality in Religion. When not teaching he enjoys singing and playing the piano, cooking, tennis and golfing, not necessarily in that order or at the same time.



BROTHER MICHAEL FEHRENBACH

Michael Fehrenbach FSC, is a De La Salle Christian Brother and has served the Church and the Brothers in a range of roles. These include teaching, counseling, and administering at traditional and alternative schools, working in family life, peace and justice, refugee resettlement, and adult catechesis at the diocesan level. He also served as assistant provincial for the Christian

Brothers of the Midwest region where he promoted the Lasallian tradition and mission among school administrators and faculties. He helped to design and implement the Catalyst Schools (three public charter schools, rooted in the Lasallian tradition) in Chicago.



JESSICA TAYLOR

Jessica Taylor is a Trainer and Content Developer for the Institute of Positive Education. She has completed her Professional Certificate in Positive Education at the University of Melbourne and is currently completing her Masters of Applied Positive Psychology (MAPP). Jessica has been teaching for 11 years across both primary and secondary levels and has completed

her Bachelor of Education and a Diploma in French Language. More recently, she has continued her journey in education by teaching in an international school in Singapore. Here, she assisted in the formation of the Positive International Educators (PIE) Network and has enjoyed exploring the impact that Positive Education can have on transient communities. She is passionate about the benefits of Positive Psychology in educational settings and loves to engage with this daily, with her students, fellow colleagues and parents, to promote a state of flourishing for the whole school community. In her spare time Jessica enjoys practising mindfulness, participating in performing arts, traveling to explore new places and cultures and loves spending time at the beach.



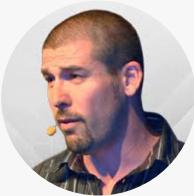
ANDREW LINES

Andrew is first and foremost husband to Becky and father to his four children and 3 step-children. (Yep, he has had his fair share of personal experience with raising children.) He is also a teacher whose programs and resources (The Rite Journey, Habits of Heart and ManMade: Growing Great Men) have been developed to build resilience, connection and well-being in young people. Over the past decade over 50,000 students have experienced these contemporary methodologies across Australia, NZ, Asia and Europe.

DR THAVAMALAR KANAGARATNAM



Dr Thavamalar Kanagaratnam is a Senior Curriculum Specialist for Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) at the Ministry of Education, Singapore. She is involved in developing subject knowledge expertise in the area of CCE, and the design and implementation of curriculum and pedagogical approaches for CCE at the primary, secondary and Pre-U levels. Her research interests are in the area of moral/character development, citizenship education and enhancing teacher efficacy in CCE.



DAN HAESLER

Dan Haesler works with organisations around issues of engagement, wellbeing, mindset & leadership. As well as schools, he has consulted to government education projects, corporate business, The Black Dog Institute and other not-for-profit organisations.

Dan is an international keynote speaker and presents alongside the likes of Sir Ken Robinson, Sugata Mitra and His Holiness the Dalai Lama. He regularly features in the media, and writes a monthly column in the Australian Teacher Magazine.

Dan is passionate about equity in education and engaging our hardest-to-reach kids and communities.

DR TOM NEHMY

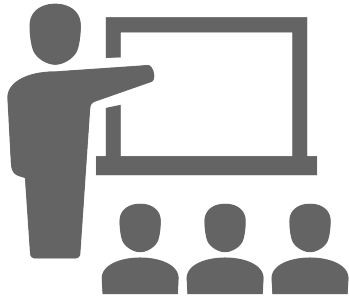


Dr Tom Nehmy is a clinical psychologist with over 10 years' experience. His passion is preventing psychological problems in people of all ages while also enhancing resilience and wellbeing.

His doctoral research in developing the Healthy Minds Program produced the world's first prevention program to prevent the onset of symptoms of depression and anxiety while also reducing risk for eating disorders. He was subsequently awarded the 2015 Flinders University Vice-Chancellor's Prize for Doctoral Thesis Excellence.

Tom currently works with companies, schools and professional organisations to help them build psychological skills for mental health, wellbeing and resilience. He is a prolific public speaker and corporate trainer - more than 7,500 people have attended his workshops, training programs, invited keynote addresses, and conference presentations across Australia and overseas.

WHO IS THE CONFERENCE FOR?



**ELEMENTARY/HIGH
SCHOOL TEACHERS,
CAS COORDINATORS,
SERVICE LEADERS**



**HEADS OF SCHOOL,
PRINCIPALS,
PASTORAL LEADERS**



**TEACHING
ASSISTANTS**

Character Development is an important theme of Lasallian education. There is now a great deal of research evidence that suggest that what matters most in terms of a child's success in life is the development of their character. Do they have a growth mindset? Do they demonstrate resilience and enthusiasm? Can they communicate with others effectively? The Lasallian Conference is a sub-set of a wider conference aimed at all schools, which examines what we can do in schools to successfully develop character. Through an amazing collection of world-renowned keynote speakers and practical workshops from some of the best schools in S.E. Asia we aim to address these questions. At each workshop session there will be at least one option aimed specifically at Lasallian educators.

WORKSHOPS ARE BEING LED BY:

All keynote speakers

St Joseph's Institution International

UWCSEA East

Tanglin Trust School

Dulwich Singapore

Nexus International School

St Stephen's School

Chatsworth International School

De La Salle University, Philippines

German-European School

Just-B Programmes

Sarah Whyte Consultancy

PARC Lasallian Youth

REGISTRATION



For teachers from our fellow Lasallian schools:

\$250

Non-Lasallian schools:

\$550

Includes all conference events over the two days, conference materials and meals. Travel and accomodation expenses are not included and are the responsibility of the individual participants.

Recommended hotels:

(These hotels are giving special discounts to conference participants)

[Days Hotel at Zhongshan Park - 1 Jalan Rajah, Singapore 329133](#)

[Ramada Hotel - 16 Ah Hood Road, Singapore 329982](#)

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Registration deadline: 18 August 2017

For enquiries or group discounts (more than 4),
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