



CHALLENGING THE BOUNDARIES

19-21 AUGUST 2011
NEWCASTLE CITY HALL

27th Homebirth Australia Conference

www.homebirthaustralia.org



The 27th Homebirth Conference - Challenging the Boundaries is for midwives, midwifery students, doulas, women, men and doctors interested in homebirth.

Homebirth itself brings about challenges for women and the midwives and doulas who support these women, particularly those who don't fit within the medicalised definition of normal.

All our speakers are passionate about homebirth and the right of women to choose to birth at home, particularly when they are outside the boundaries of normal.

We have speakers from the midwifery and medical profession, as well as consumers, doulas and birth advocates.

Keynote Speakers - Robbie Davis-Floyd & Ina May Gaskin

Robbie Davis-Floyd - PhD, Senior Research Fellow, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Texas Austin, and Fellow of the Society for Applied Anthropology, is a medical anthropologist specializing in the anthropology of reproduction. An international speaker and researcher, author of over 80 articles and coeditor of ten collections. Her research on global trends and transformations in childbirth, obstetrics, and midwifery is ongoing. Robbie currently serves as Editor for the International MotherBaby Childbirth Initiative (www.imbci.org) and member of the Board of the International MotherBaby Childbirth. Robbie has appeared in many documentaries including the Business of Being Born and Orgasmic Birth.

For more information on Robbie visit her website - www.davis-floyd.com

Ina May Gaskin - MA, CPM, is founder and director of the Farm Midwifery Center, located near Summertown, Tennessee. Founded in 1971, by 1996, the Farm Midwifery Center had handled more than 2600 births, with remarkably good outcomes. Ms. Gaskin herself has attended more than 1200 births. She is author of Spiritual Midwifery, now in its fourth edition. The Gaskin maneuver is the first obstetrical procedure to be named for a midwife.

For more information on Ina May Gaskin visit her website - www.inamay.com

Conference Programme

Saturday, 20 August

8.00 Registration

9.00 Welcome and Housekeeping

9.10 Welcome to Country and Opening Ceremony

9.30 Keynote Speaker -Robbie Davis-Floyd - Mainstreaming Midwives

11.00 Morning Tea

11.30 Lisa Barrett - Pre-Term birth at home

12.00 Sarah Buckley - Challenging the Boundaries of Birth Science

12.45 Abbey Rodda - The Birth of a Midwife

1.00 Lunch

2.00 Keynote Speaker - Ina May Gaskin

3.00 Gaye Demanuelle & Kusum Churcher-Wells - Love & Fear

3.20 Afternoon Tea

3.50 Tribute to Dr John Stevenson

4.00 VBAC Hour - Chloe Coulthard, Don Sillence, Meg Fraser & Amber Janowicz

5.00 Close

7.30 Conference Dinner and Show

Sunday, 21 August

8.00 Recovery Coffee & Tea

9.00 Welcome

9.05 Keynote Speaker - Robbie Davis-Floyd -Renegade Midwives

10.00 Chrissy Grainger - Regional Boundaries

10.20 Morning Tea

10.50 Sue Cookson - Twins, The Art of Birthing Two

11.35 Gary Caganoff - Born in a Bucket

12.00 Breech Panel

12.45 Lunch

1.45 Hospital Homebirth Forum - Belmont, St George, Christine Catling-Paull, Jane Palmer

2.30 Keynote Speaker - Ina May Gaskin

3.30 Raffles

3.35 Closing Ceremony - Jane Collings

4.00 Close

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE 27TH HOMEBIRTH AUSTRALIA CONFERENCE

Registration to the conference includes morning and afternoon teas, and lunch both days.

Receipts will be emailed out to you.

**On site registrations will not be possible if the conference is fully booked,
so book early to avoid disappointment.**

Friday's workshops are separate to the conference and are \$30 per workshop or \$80 for 3. If you attend 3, lunch and afternoon tea are included. If you attend 2 afternoon sessions, afternoon tea is included.

Please book early as numbers are limited and they are allocated on a first in basis.

Please note: the Conference Dinner and Friday Workshops are not included in your registration.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS		WORKSHOPS - FRIDAY	
Early Bird (before 31/3) for Midwives, Doulas and other Health Professionals	\$350	Full day workshops	\$80
Full Registration (before 31/5)	\$380	1 workshop	\$30
Late (after 1 June)	\$440	2 workshops	\$60
Student/Consumer Early Bird (before 31/5)	\$330	<i>* Please note that numbers are limited for some workshops so early registration is advisable.</i>	
Student/Consumer (after 31/5)	\$400		
Conference Dinner Yes / No	\$80	Please circle yes or no to register for the Wine tasting on Friday evening as numbers are limited.	Yes / No

PLEASE CIRCLE THE WORKSHOPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND

Morning workshops 10-12 Friday 19/8	Midwifery Workshop with Lisa Barrett	Doula Workshop with Renee Adair	Birth Across Cultures: An evolutionary perspective with Robbie Davis-Floyd
Afternoon 1 - 2.30 Friday 19/8	Helping People out of Tight Spots with Maggie Lecky-Thompson	The Hour after Birth with Sarah Buckley	Daughter of Time: The Post Modern Midwife with Robbie Davis-Floyd
Afternoon 3 - 4.30 Friday 19/8	Helping People out of Tight Spots with Maggie Lecky-Thompson Sold Out	Drum Journey Session with Jane Collings	Homebirth Emergencies: the Trouble with Transport with Robbie Davis-Floyd

**For more information about the presenters, accommodation in Newcastle and transport options, please visit the Homebirth Australia Website -
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Please print clearly all details below:

Name		
Address		
	State	Postcode
Email		
Phone number		
Special Dietary needs (please be aware that this needs to be organised at least 2 weeks before the conference).		

The total amount I am paying is: \$

I am paying by:

- Direct Deposit - BSB 012 340 Acct 534 159 542 Acct name: Homebirth Australia (please give your name as a reference & write your receipt number here as confirmation_____)
then scan and send your registration form to homebirthaustralia@gmail.com
- Cheque - made out to Homebirth Australia and post cheque and registration form to
1/37 Wyuna Ave, Freshwater 2096
- Credit Card - please go to the HBA website www.homebirthaustralia.org

Attending the Homebirth Conference entitles you to 1 years membership of Homebirth Australia.

We would appreciate it if you would answer the questions below for our data base by circling the appropriate boxes.

1. **Are you a:** Midwife Doctor Doula Consumer Student Other_____
2. **Are you happy to have your details shared with other attendees?** Yes No
3. **Would you like to be involved in HBA in the future?** Yes No
4. **If yes, in what capacity would you be prepared to be involved?**

Keep in touch via our facebook page in the lead up to the Conference
www.facebook.com/homebirthaustraliaconference

Transport to Newcastle:

Air - Fly direct to Newcastle Airport, Newcastle Airport is approximately 1/2 and hour from Newcastle CBD, transfer from the airport is by shuttle, bus, hire car or taxi.

Fly into Sydney and hire car, catch a train or shuttle from Sydney to Newcastle, it is about 2 1/2 hours from the airport.

Drive - Drive to Newcastle from anywhere (could take days though if coming from WA!)

Rail - Trains from Sydney hourly and from Brisbane daily. The nearest railway station to the conference is Civic.

Accommodation in Newcastle:

Newcastle offers a wide variety of accommodation, from 4 1/2 stars to budget, backpackers and B&B's. Most of the options are within 10 minutes walk from the conference with many rooms only a 1-5 minute walk.

A website has been set up to make booking your accommodation easier and can be accessed at -

<http://guest.cvent.com/d/6dqthm>