Childhood (Re)Discovered
July 3-4, 2008
Draft Conference Programme

Thursday July 3

8:45-9:15am  Registration
Venue: Recital Room

9:15-9:30am  Welcome
Venue: Christ Theatre

9:30-10:30am  Session 1: Childhood, Empire and Nation
Venue: Christ Theatre

   Chairperson
   Margot Hillel

Pam Scott  Lost Souls Indeed: Representations of Indigenous child removal in early
Australian children’s literature.

Sevim Yesil  The Representations of Kurdish children in Turkish Mainstream Media

10:30-11:00am  Morning Tea
Venue: Recital Room

11:00am-12:00pm  Session 2: The Regimentation of Children’s Leisure
Venue: Christ Theatre

   Chairperson
   David Pomfret

Helen Dollery  Children’s leisure organisations in postwar New Zealand


12:00-1:00pm  Lunch
Venue: Recital Room

1:00-2:30pm  Session 3: Public Anxiety and the Meaning of Childhood
Venue: Christ Theatre

   Chairperson
   Kate Gaffney

Simon Sleight  Interstitial acts: urban space and the larrikin repertoire in late-Victorian Melbourne

Mary Tomsic  Innocence lost at the movies: Children and the media in 1927 and 2007

Carla Pascoe  Be Home by Dark: Childhood freedoms and adult fears in 1950s Victoria
Afternoon Tea  
Venue: Recital Room

Session 4: Histories of Children's Playlore  
Venue: Christ Theatre

Chairperson  
Shurlee Swain

June Factor  
Dorothy Howard: An American Pioneer in Australia

Gwenda Davey  
The Enemies of Childhood: Play in Contemporary Contexts

Kate Darian-Smith  
Childhood, Tradition and Change: Collecting Children's Playlore

Conference Dinner ($60 per person)  
Venue: Dante's Restaurant  
150-156 Gertrude Street, Fitzroy

Friday July 4

Session 5: The Hidden Work of Children  
Venue: Christ Theatre

Chairperson  
Mary Tomsic

David Pomfret  
‘Stain upon the Flag’: Child Slavery in the French Colonies

Kellie Abbott  
‘The strain of premature employment’: danger, protection and children’s labour in Western Australia, 1900–39

Kaaren Yapp  
For love or money?

Morning Tea  
Venue: Recital Room

Session 6: Children In Care  
Venue: Christ Theatre

Chairperson  
Karen Orr Vered

Nell Musgrove  
For whose protection? Historical reflections on child welfare in Victoria

Kate Gaffney  
Sorry, but! Official Responses to Allegations of Historic Child Abuse

Lunch  
Venue: Recital Room

Session 7: Childhood (Re)Discovered Panel and Conference Closing  
Venue: Christ Theatre

Panelists: Margot Hillel and Shurlee Swain

Afternoon Tea  
Venue: Recital Room