

New Zealand

18th International Symposium on Adapted Physical Activity

## Invitation

The organising committee of ISAPA 2011 would like to warmly invite you to join us in Christchurch, New Zealand.

As one of the world's most picturesque and unspoilt scenic countries the symposium aims to deliver a breathtaking venue and an exceptional programme.

## Important Dates

21 October 2010 – Deadline for receipt of abstracts December 2010 – Online registration available 11 April 2011 – Earlybird registration closes 4 July 2011 - Conference commences

## Sponsorship

Opportunities exist for sponsorship of this prestigious event. Please email the conference managers for further information.

> www.isapa2011.com Email: isapa2011@tcc.co.nz



## About ISAPA

The International Federation of Adapted Physical Activity (IFAPA) is a cross-disciplinary professional organisation of individuals, institutions, and agencies concerned with promotion and dissemination of knowledge and information about adapted physical activity.

The International Symposium of Adapted Physical Activity is a vehicle to raise local awareness and provide an outstanding setting for local professionals to interact with world leaders and international colleagues in adapted physical activity. ISAPA 2011 will give New Zealand the opportunity to make an international contribution to adapted physical activity.

Participants at ISAPA include practitioners, researchers, scholars, pedagogues, scientists, teachers and students in a broad spectrum of fields. Fields include regular and adapted physical education, community and therapeutic recreation, dance and creative arts, sport training and competition, leisure education, psychomotor therapy, kinesiology, medicine, nutrition, rehabilitation, special education, occupational and physical therapy, and many other areas.

## Keynote Speakers

#### James Rimmer

James Rimmer is Professor in the Department of Disability and Human Development, and Adjunct Professor in the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. Dr Rimmer's research has focused on the effects of physical activity on reduction of secondary conditions including obesity and deconditioning, in adults and youth with physical and cognitive disabilities. He has received several national awards for his work and he is also the director of the National Center on Physical Activity and Disability (www.ncpad.org).

#### Brendan Burkett

Brendan Burkett is Professor of Sport Science (Biomechanics) at the University of the Sunshine Coast. He was the Australian team flag bearer at the Sydney 2000 Paralympic Games opening ceremony and has been inducted into the Swimming Queensland Hall of Fame. Professor Burkett was awarded the Professional Engineer of the Year by the Australian Institution of Engineers Australia and his teaching and research revolve around his engineering background, with a particular focus on technology for people with a disability.

#### Peter Downs

Peter Downs joined the Australian Sports Commission in 1993. He completed a European Masters Degree in Adapted Physical Activity. His thesis examined attitudes of pre-service physical education teachers toward the inclusion of young people with disabilities in physical activity. Peter has developed and managed major national projects in Australia including the Disability Education Program and Sports CONNECT. He was Vice President of IFAPA 2000-2005 and was awarded the Australian Sports Medal in 2001 for services to Australian sport.

#### Lisette Burrows

Lisette Burrows is an Associate Professor in Physical Education Pedagogy at the School of Physical Education, University of Otago. Her current research draws on poststructural theoretical resources to examine how health and physical activity imperatives are recontextualised in homes and schools. She is also vitally interested in how ability, class, gender, ethnicity and community shape young people's engagement in physical culture.







## About New Zealand

New Zealand is an alluring mix of stunning landscapes, unique flora and fauna, amazing wildlife and unspoiled countryside combined with pastoral scenes of surprising beauty. New Zealand society is diverse, sophisticated, and multicultural. The honesty, friendliness and openness of Kiwis will impress you.

### About Christchurch

Christchurch, The Garden City is a stylish, understated boutique city of approximately 350 000 people. The central city is diverse with contemporary galleries, 19th century buildings, outdoor markets, hidden urban laneways, riverside restaurants and shopping boutiques.

Christchurch proudly sits as the urban, international gateway to the coastal and alpine playgrounds of the South Island, New Zealand. Canterbury's activities vary from passive to extreme: golf, bungy jumping, jet boating, mountain biking, whale watching, wineries, thermal springs and the dramatic Southern Alps for skiing or hiking... all ready to be explored and enjoyed.

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