



NORTH WALES 3RD ANNUAL AUTISM CONFERENCE



Embracing the Autistic Voice to Transform Attitudes

Catrin Finch Centre, Glyndwr University, Wrexham, LL11 2AW

FRIDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 2018 8.30 am - 5.00 pm

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

Dr Wenn Lawson PhD, CPsychol. AFBPsS. MAPs

Psychologist, lecturer and author, Dr Wenn has run his own business for 23 years. At 2 years of age, he was misdiagnosed as intellectually disabled, at school of being incapable of doing as he was told, at 17 misdiagnosed with schizophrenia; in and out of Mental Institutions; eventually aged 42 years of age, diagnosed with an autism spectrum condition (ASC), ADHD, dyspraxia and learning difficulties.

ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS: -

Dean Beadle

Dean is a well-respected public speaker who has toured the UK and many countries around the world, sharing his experiences and life on the autism spectrum. Through his humorous and insightful speeches, Dean outlines his positive outlook on his diagnosis.

Dean is also a recognised journalist, having been published in local, national, and international publications covering everything from fitness columns and celebrity interviews, through to concert reviews and serious news reports.

RETURNING BY POPULAR DEMAND: -

Dr Luke Beardon, Senior Lecturer, the Autism Centre, Sheffield Hallam University.

Dr Beardon has worked in the field of Autism for over twenty years in various capacities ranging from practitioner, researcher, trainer, and author. He has worked for the National Autistic Society as a Service Coordinator assisting in the development of a residential service of young adults with autism. In his post as Senior Lecturer in Autism, he runs various courses at different academic levels and supervises students at a doctorate level. He has been recognised for his work and dedication in education and teaching and has also been awarded the Inspirational Teachers Award and the Inspirational Research Supervisor Award by his students. He continues to research and consult in the field of autism. His specific research interests are around individuals with autism who have broken the law.

The North Wales Autism Conference at Glyndwr University is now in its third year and is organised by a group of Autistic individuals and parents.

We work co-productively with educators, researchers and specialists working in the field of autism, to provide credible information.

This event is an opportunity to hear their experiences and access their knowledge, about how we can work in partnership to reduce the barriers within education, employment, healthcare and social situations which will enable individuals to progress in every area, and therefore improve self-esteem, confidence and develop opportunities to feel valued, understood and included in society.

Mr Mark Isherwood AM - Chair of the Cross-Party Autism Group will be updating from the Welsh Assembly plus a Campaign Update from NAS Cymru

Early Bird Rate available before 31st August 2018

Parents, students, Autistic Individuals £45.00 Early Bird £35.00
Professionals £150.00 Early Bird £125.00

Prices include: Buffet Lunch, Refreshments and VAT

FREE Exhibition and trade stand area open to members of the public all day

TRADE STANDS AVAILABLE FOR BUSINESSES, CHARITIES AND LOCAL ORGANISATIONS.

Trade stand enquiries contact 01352 703055 or email aaas.flintshire@gmail.com

Conference enquiries please contact 01978 293494 or email conference@glyndwr.ac.uk

TICKETS ON SALE AT:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/north-wales-3rd-annual-autism-conference-tickets-46838312654>

Parallel sessions: choice of ONE per delegate

Promoting Self Advocacy | Japanese Animé Vloggers | Positive Therapeutic Support | Autism and the Environment | Autism and Gender Fluidity | School Transitions | The Integrated Autism Service (Wales) | Barriers to Effective Communication

Also Welcoming Presenters:

**Emma Dalmayne | Sarah Jane Harvey "Agony Autie"
Andrew Edwards & Geraint Roberts | Willow & Anne Holloway
Sound Express 🎵🎵 Emerge Community Arts**