

## **Dawn Matthews CV**

**BA Hons.** Art and Design Newcastle Upon Tyne University 1975

**Post Graduate Certificate of Education** Newcastle Upon Tyne University  
1976

**Attended conferences** at Dyslexia unit Aston University Birmingham, Newcastle University and visited several leading dyslexia consultants, including Jill Cotteral, author of many early books on dyslexia, Michael Newman, research professor at Aston University Dyslexia department. Dr Cheyne then President of Northeast dyslexia Association England and Catrina Collins of Edinburgh. 1976-7

**Completed dyslexia course** Helen Arkell Center London 1976

**Registered tutor** for Newcastle Dyslexia Association 1976 -1981

**Established and ran** dyslexia youth social group 1978-80

**Help set up** Newcastle Upon Tyne Dyslexia Institute - giving TV and press interviews -1980

**Moved to Scotland** 1981

**Registered tutor and consultant-** Dyslexia Scotwest Glasgow and Dyslexia Institute Glasgow 1990-2001

**Set up and sat on Education Committee** to raise awareness and deal with issues of dyslexia with Dumfries and Galloway Education Authority 1991 and sat on committee for 6 years.

Helped John Raven II restandardise his Cognitive test Standard and Advanced Matrices, by both as a supervisor and tester.

**Set up and ran Self-help group** for parents and dyslexics Dumfries and Galloway 1991. Ran for 6 years meeting every month.

**Dyslexia teacher and consultant** Dumfries and Galloway education Authority 1995. Taught in many schools with pupils on individual basis and in classrooms as well as giving seminars at schools with both learning support staff and management. **Ran dyslexic unit and** taught at Kilquarity Free School Galloway 1996-8

**Helped set up local Dyslexia Association** Dumfries and Galloway 1997

**Set up dyslexic unit** with funding from the Lotteries Commition at The Galloway Small School Dumfries 1998. Taught both learning support and English at this school for 2 years. Some of my pupils won prizes and international awards for their written work.

**Moved to Australia** July 2001

**Wrote Cert.1 in literacy and Numeracy for Dyslexics 2002. Now running at Central TAFE Perth Gave seminars at schools, TAFEs and dyslexia**

**SPELD 2001-3** Dawn also taught lecturers to teach this course giving seminars and personal training. This was the first accredited course ever written specifically for dyslexics in the Southern Hemisphere and included the assessment test for entry onto this course.

**Wrote dyslexia teaching course and gave seminars at Read Write Now WA 2002-2003**

**Ran dyslexia summer school Dyslexia SPELD Foundation 2002**

**Attained Cert IV in workplace training and assessment. Challenger TAFE Perth 2002**

**Set up Dyslexic Centre Australia inc, a national Charity centre helping all people that learn differently.”Proudly Supporting everyone who Learns Differently” Regsitralion no A1014055R**

**Charitable collections licence no 20981 in Rockingham 2008**

**Internationally selling artist/printmaker 1980-2001.** My art work is in public and private galleries and collections world wide including many banks, hotels, hospitals, ferries, hospices, restaurants, stock exchanges and public galleries in Scotland and across America. My art works had been exhibited world-wide including, USA, UK, Australia, Japan, South Africa, Argentina, Italy, United Arab Emirates and Holland.

**Previous published works.**

“Dyslexia a Guide for Class Teachers”

“Dyslexia - A Guide for Parents” published 1995 and republished 2001 by Dyslexia Scotwest Scotland.

“Understanding the Dyslexic Child”,

“Understanding the Dyslexic Pupil” and

“Understanding Your Dyslexic Child” published by First and Best in Education UK. Cert.1 in Literacy in Numeracy for People with Dyslexia. National Accreditation Number 51153 A certified TAFE course now running at Central TAFE Perth.

“Dyslexia –How to Win “

“Dyslexia a Guide for Class Teachers” second edition for Australia

“Dyslexia - A Guide for Parents” second edition for Australia

“Dyspraxia a guide for Parents and Teachers”

“Fun game to learn Stupid words”

“Writing is Fun”

“Monster worksheets”

“Fun Phonics Spelling and Reading Program”

web sites

[www.learningdifficulties.com.au](http://www.learningdifficulties.com.au)

[www.dyslexia-testing.com.au](http://www.dyslexia-testing.com.au)

[www.atoti.com.au](http://www.atoti.com.au)

[www.dawnmatthews.com](http://www.dawnmatthews.com)

[www.dyslexiadawnmatthews.com](http://www.dyslexiadawnmatthews.com)

