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SpectrumSpace

# ABOUT US

## WHO ARE WE AND WHAT DO WE DO?

Spectrum Space is a bold, innovative community organisation tearing down social barriers for autistic people. Together we engage, challenge and expand new skills. We create exciting opportunities for employers, corporates and the community to join in. Through our social groups, services, research partnerships and community events, we break down social barriers and create a world where autism is a part of our community's rich fabric.

## SPECIFICALLY:

- Our social groups provide neurodiverse individuals with an opportunity to connect, learn and develop their interests through a strengths based approach.
- We drive cultural shift in how autism and neurodiversity is perceived through training and education in partnership with employers, government agencies, educational institutions and community groups.
- We host a unique annual symposium, highly regarded as an outstanding event for neurodiverse individuals, their families and carers, health professionals, educators, policy makers and researchers to truly define how to unlock the potential, skills and talent of people on the spectrum.
- We are proud to be a registered NDIS service provider.

## WHY ARE WE DIFFERENT?

We are a driver of lasting social change, to the benefit of all members of society. Spectrum Space differs from other autism centred organisations through our individual strengths based approach. For example, our unique Youth Advisory Council, consisting of individuals on the spectrum, empowers autistic people to connect, engage and direct the conversation about how best to improve their quality of life and drive cultural shift. We see our community through a different lens, and dream of a world where diversity is so "normal" it's unremarkable.

## INTERESTED?

For more information about who we are and what we do contact:  
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# SOCIAL GROUPS

We dream of a community that embraces the diversity and opportunity that comes from living, working and collaborating with people on the spectrum.

Through our social groups we engage, challenge, inform, develop and expand new skills using a strengths based approach. We

actively seek opportunities to validate the model through our research partnerships.

Spectrum Space runs regular social groups for teenagers and adults through the Perth Metro area as well as our renowned Telethon Holiday Makers Program for school children during the school holidays. Spectrum Space is a registered NDIS service provider.



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# SPECTRUM SPACE ADVISORY COUNCILS



The Spectrum Space Advisory Council was established in 2017. The objective is to provide a vehicle of governance for the organisation as well as leadership for the participants of our organisation. Council members act as role models and have a key mission to promote equity and diversity.

Driven by its success, Spectrum Space established the Women's Council in 2018 which specifically aims to enable women on the spectrum to work together to raise the profile of this sector of the autism community to create a better future for women on the spectrum.

## HOW

Through public speaking, peer mentoring and active involvement in current issues relevant to them. The councils also organise events that create opportunities to come together loudly and proudly as a community that is excited to see what the future holds.

Our councils meet fortnightly and warmly welcome new members of all ages who are interested in getting involved to make the world a better place for all.

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# EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Spectrum Space addresses the growing need for autism awareness training across many stakeholders groups within the community.

Spectrum Space offers training for:

## INDIVIDUALS

- Autism and Me - Autism awareness
- Employability
- Let's Get Working
- Life Skills

## FAMILIES & CARERS

- Autism and Us - Autism awareness

## BUSINESS

- Neurodiversity Online Audit Tool
- Working with employees with autism

## SCHOOLS

- Teacher education on working with students with autism
- Student assembly address on diversity

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# SPECTRUM SPACE SYMPOSIUM

A unique event in Western Australia, the Spectrum Space Symposium features inspiring local, national and international thought-leaders in the field, many of whom have lived experience. The keynote and breakout sessions on a wide range of topics are designed to inform, inspire and engage.

The Symposium brings together anyone with an interest in autism and neurodiversity including individuals on the autism spectrum, their family members, carers, health professionals, educators, service providers, employers, and researchers. It provides an opportunity to explore current challenges and opportunities for our community, to gather and learn

about latest developments in the field and to connect and network.

Through generous support from Lotterywest, Spectrum Space has been able to offer subsidised tickets to individuals, families and carers to attend past Symposiums.

## INTERESTED?

For submissions to future Symposiums and exhibitor and sponsorship opportunities please contact:

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# PARTNERSHIPS

Our partnerships ensure we can reach more people in need of services and that awareness can be spread to a wide net of sectors. They are key to driving cultural change in how the wider community perceives autism.

Together with our research partner **Curtin University** we have validated the strength-based approach around using strengths as an evidence based intervention for young people with autism.

Spectrum Space and **Autism CRC** began a partnership in 2015 to enable Spectrum Space to contribute to the national research centre. Since then, Spectrum Space has contributed to research into several aspects of the CRC's work including contributing to co-participation.

We offer space to **Be My Koorda**, the only organisation in Western Australia delivering culturally appropriate services to Aboriginal children with autism.

Spectrum Space has partnered with **Harrier Human Capital** to deliver training and awareness to organisations on how to successfully employ individuals with autism.



For a full list of our supporters please visit [spectrumspace.org.au](https://spectrumspace.org.au)

## JOIN US

Spectrum Space receives no government operational funding. Every partnership, donation and volunteer contribution helps us to open doors to generate opportunities to improve workplaces and communities.

## VOLUNTEERING

We have a large pool of student volunteers from a broad range of disciplines, including those with lived experience, to gain valuable experience in working with people with autism. We also offer internships in event management, marketing, social work, youth work and to those who volunteer for our events or just want lend a hand.

## SPONSORSHIP

Our sponsors enable us to deliver our services and continue to explore new areas for engagement and support. We invest in skills development and community education and invite the corporate sector to partner with us to do things differently.

## FUNDRAISING

Raising funds is an important part of what we do. Not only does it provide much-needed resources, but it also engages the wider community through participation in annual events such as the Spectrum Space High Tea and HBF Fun Run.

For exciting opportunities to join us contact: **Helene Hansen** | General Manager  
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