



CUDA's Newsletter of latest posts

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Playgrounds for all children

Guides for inclusive playgrounds for all children, and adults for that matter, basically provide the same information. This post provides links to some of them. The most universally designed guide, is Everyone Can Play. With just three things to guide: Can I get there? Can I Play? Can I stay? Water and adventure play, and connection to Country and community, ...

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Late-life loneliness: Co-designing a solution

Staying connected is an important part of designing for access and inclusion, but how do you engage with socially isolated people to find out the cause of their loneliness? They are disconnected to community and not willing to share their state of loneliness. But there is a way to co-design a solution for late-life loneliness without close contact. Newspaper articles ...

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Better architecture with universal design

Numerous guidelines exist on adherence to standards, but what is designed will be used by people with diverse bodies, abilities. There is no typical user, only what is in the designer's mind. But it isn't just about access, it is about being inclusive. That's where better architecture with universal design comes in. "When thinking about accessibility in architecture, codes set ...

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Good colour contrast for websites

How did you choose the colours for your last website update? Did you choose colours based on your brand logo and text or did you use the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) algorithm? But can the WCAG algorithm guarantee good legible colour contrasts for websites? Research by The University of Cambridge says it doesn't. So they have developed an alternative algorithm ...

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Livable Housing Handbook

The Livable Housing Design Standard applies to all new Class 1a and Class 2 buildings. Class 1a buildings are detached houses, row houses, terraces, townhouses and villa units. Class 2 buildings are apartment buildings and the design requirements apply inside the apartment. Public access requirements cover the public areas. To aid practitioners, the Australian Building Codes Board has produced a ...

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Livable Housing Design Course

This short online course is tailor-made for professionals in the housing and home modifications sectors who want to know how to apply the Livable Housing Design Standard in the National Construction Code. It covers the technical details of the different ways to achieve level entry, circulation spaces, bathroom details, and more. Good for anyone doing home modifications.

Check out [more information about the course](#) and sign up. Only **\$35.00** inc GST!

CUDA provides this course under licence from the Australian Building Codes Board

Introduction to Universal Design - free online course

CUDA's online course is free and a certificate of completion will be sent once all sections of the course are completed. That includes the final questionnaire. It covers different definitions, diversity, stereotypes and the application of universal design.

[Sign up here and get started](#) in the free Introduction to Universal Design course. It will take less than an hour.

Conferences and calls for papers

New to the list: National Housing Conference 2025: 14-16 October 2023, Perth, Australia. Call for papers closes 16 February. New to the list: Ageing Well and e-Health: ICT4AWE 2025, 6-8 April 2025, Portugal, hybrid. NTR0 International Conference, The Transport Revolution: Solutions led by innovation , 7-9 May 2025, Melbourne. ... Neurodiversity Forum 2025: Inclusive Design for ...

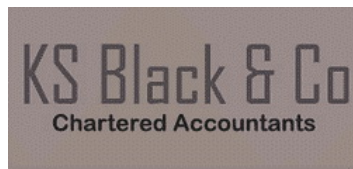
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Model Universal Design Position Statement

Has your organisation has been wanting to draft a universal design position statement and not sure where to start? Well, CUDA has devised a model document to get you going. The CUDA Universal Design Position Statement covers all the basics in a straightforward way. At the end of the document, organisations can insert links to their own policy documents that ...

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