

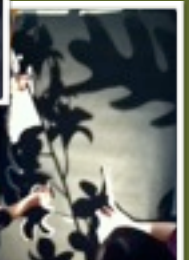
Wonder of Learning

VANCOUVER, CANADA JULY-DECEMBER 2012

This workshop series offers ideas and opportunities for dialogue in exploring the Reggio Emilia Approach to education.

The intent of these workshops is to engage with various elements of this exemplary approach for educating young children, and to broaden and deepen understanding of these dynamic ideas.

All proceeds from these workshops will support the cost of bringing *The Wonder of Learning: The Hundred Languages of Children Exhibit* from Reggio Emilia, Italy. Coming to Vancouver July - December 2012.



All workshops are **\$30** (\$25 for students). Please contact Jennie at jennie@froghollow.bc.ca for a registration form or 604.251.1225 (ext 225). Registration form will be emailed to you.

Certificates are available for those who complete each workshop.

Workshops will be offered in a variety of locations. Refer to following pages.
* Presenters are donating their time to support *The Wonder of Learning* exhibit.

The art of research already exists in the hands of children acutely sensitive to the pleasure of surprise.

The wonder of learning, of knowing, of understanding is one of the first, fundamental sensations each human being expects from experiences faced alone or with others.

~Loris Malaguzzi~



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Professional Learning Opportunities 2011- 2012 (continued)

Mon., Nov. 15, 2011
7pm - 9pm

Relational Pedagogy: An Introductory Conversation to the Reggio Emilia Approach to Education for Young Children

with Elaine Beltran-Sellitti

at Byrne Creek Secondary, 7777-18th St., Burnaby

(near Edmonds Skytrain Stn.)

Explore the philosophical foundations of Reggio-Inspired teaching practice. Topics will include: the image of the child, the beauty of the environment, art as one of the many languages of expression, and pedagogical narrations.



Sat., Nov. 26, 2011
12:30pm - 4:30pm

Tuning into the Language of Drawing with Young Children

with Joanne Brown from Langara College

at Langara College, 100 W. 49th Ave., Vancouver, Room A283

Young children have a lot to tell us and drawing is one of their earliest languages. Drawing is an everyday drama that often goes unnoticed. In this workshop we will consider the many ways that children express their ideas, remember their experiences, ask questions and make meaning of the world through the language of drawing. As well as considering the children's perspectives we will re-examine our roles in this learning partnership, such as: the importance of noticing and recognizing children's intentions in drawing, ways that we can provide rich dialogue through environments and materials, ways we can respond to children's work in order to encourage, challenge and mentor. After discussion, we will become more fluent in this language by participating in some hands-on drawing exercises.



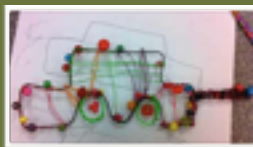
Tues., Dec. 6, 2011
7pm - 9:30pm

Creating with Wire in Preschool and Elementary Classrooms

with Sue Fraser and Michelle de Salaberry

at L'Atelier Exploration Studio, 3097 Canada Way, Burnaby

Sue Fraser will introduce the workshop by showing examples and slides of the traditional wire toys that children in Africa make. She will then demonstrate a few simple techniques for how to use wire with children. The participants will be given a selection of wire materials suitable to use with preschool and school age children to make their own wire objects, which will be documented and discussed. There will also be a presentation of slides of wire projects that teachers carried out with children.



Wed., Jan. 18, 2012
7pm - 9:30pm

Relating to Materials

with Roni Cahen from Continuing Education, ECE Programing

at Byrne Creek Secondary, 7777-18th St., Burnaby

(near Edmonds Skytrain Station)

Forget about toys and all the plastic! There are so many interesting, recycled and natural materials that can be invitations to think, wonder, and design with. Participants will learn about the possibilities for found objects, their aesthetic display and their invitation to connect with peers. There will be an opportunity for participants to explore materials, while reflecting about how to respond to the children's interests provoked during these explorations. Helen Neufeld and Brandie Cerenzie from Little Treasures will also share groups of materials they have put together to support and inspire practitioners to starting collecting resources.



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Sat. Jan. 28, 2012
9am - 12pm

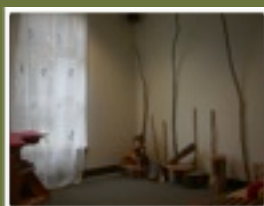


Nurturing Curiosities: Relationships with the Environment

with the Capilano Children's Centre teaching team
at the Capilano University Children's Centre
2055 Purcell Way, North Vancouver

The Early Childhood Educators of Capilano University Children's Centre will discuss the role of environment in nurturing curiosities and co-constructing a classroom with teachers and children. The guiding question throughout the presentation will consider the relationship between children and their classroom environment: how are they responsible to one another? Documentation will be explored with an invitation to share ideas, inquiries and create dialogue.

Thurs., Feb. 9, 2012
7pm - 9:30pm



Environments for Relations: Connecting in the Physical Space

with Elaine Beltran-Sellitti
at Byrne Creek Secondary, 7777-18th St., Burnaby
(near Edmonds Skytrain Station.)

We will explore how the set-up of the physical environment can enhance the invitations for children and teachers to connect and collaborate. We will explore spaces that can be moved and adapted according to the ways that people inhabit them. Let's consider nooks and crannies and heights, nature, softness and beauty. Slides from Reggio schools as well as local Reggio inspired centres will be shown to elicit discussions.

Sat., Feb. 18, 2012
10am - 12:30pm

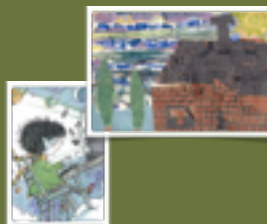


The Language of Wood

with Linda Murdoch
at Marpole-Oakridge Preschool, 990 W. 59th Ave., Vancouver

After visiting Reggio Emilia in 2002, Linda came back in awe of all the wonderful materials offered to the children. She was challenged to adapt - not copy - what she had experienced, making the learning relevant to her own community and environment. Like the stones in the city of Reggio Emilia, she recognized wood as one of our defining materials. In this hands-on workshop you will explore wood. Linda will share her on-going journey with the children at her centre. Topics covered will include: preparation and decisions before starting, the kinds of wood to offer and where to find it, and a slide presentation of how these materials have been used in project work at her centre.

Thurs., Mar. 1, 2012
7pm - 9pm



The Art of Stories: Revisiting Children's Thinking

with Susan Hoppenfeld
at the Jewish Community Centre, 950 W. 41st Ave., Vancouver

How can we begin to reconcile Piaget's ages and stages of cognitive development with current research about children's thinking? Through a close examination of Quebec author and illustrator Marie-Louise Gay, we will explore another paradigm as a way to expand our understandings of children's thinking. In the studio portion of this workshop, your drawings, paintings and collages will be a stepping stone to considering the implications of children's thinking on everything from setting up the environment to the conversations that you have with children.

Wed., Mar. 14, 2012
7pm - 9:30pm



Pedagogical Narrations with Infants

with Teresa Sankey
at Byrne Creek Secondary, 7777-18th St., Burnaby
(near Edmonds Skytrain Station.)

Come and learn about the powerful potential that pedagogical narrations have for communicating how the philosophy of a program is lived in the everyday lives of children and the staff in a child care centre. Teresa will share her pedagogical narration with infants. Together you will explore how pedagogical narration can uncover the contexts of care and nurture relationships between the child, staff and families.

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Thurs., Apr. 19, 2012 **Inviting Emily Carr into Your Classroom**
7pm - 9pm



with Susan Hoppenfeld
at the Jewish Community Centre, 950 W. 41st Ave., Vancouver
Sparked by your children's interest in the natural environment, the life and work of BC artist, Emily Carr, can be a catalyst for rich and extended learning. In this studio based workshop, you can discover the forest paintings of this remarkable woman and generate a range of responses ideal for your classroom using the languages of poetry, song, dance, drawing, painting, collage and sculpture.

Sat., Apr. 28, 2012
9am - 12pm



Bringing the Garden into the Classroom: Our Food Project
with Shelley Lammie and colleagues
at York House Little School, 3274 East Boulevard, Vancouver

Our explorations with planting, caring for, harvesting, and eating food plants in our school garden will be shared. We will share our documentation of the process and our learning. We will also provide a tour of our school garden. Our ongoing food project has included both the preschool and Kindergarten classes at our school working in multi-age groupings.

May 5, 2012
9:00am -12:30pm

Lingering Discourses: Contesting and Re-Constructing Our Images of Children

Facilitated by Dr. Margaret MacDonald
at The Centre for Dialogue, Byrne Creek Secondary.
7777-18th Street, Burnaby. (near Edmonds Skytrain station).

June, 2012



Not Just Any Place - viewing of a film tracing the history of the Reggio Experience

hosted by Susan Fraser
at Douglas College
Further details will be posted.

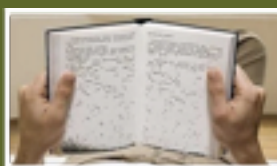
Oct., 2012



Culture of the Atelier/ Dialogue with Places

with Sylvia Kind and Cristina Delgado
at Capilano University
Further details will be posted.

Thurs., Nov. 17, 2012
10am - 2:30pm



Words on the Page

with Christianne Hayward
at Christianne's Lyceum of Literature and Art, 3696 W. 8th Ave., Vancouver
Further details will be posted.



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New Offerings

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