

MONTESSORI WHOLE SCHOOL REFRESHER

Friday & Saturday, 5 & 6 June 2015 Crowne Plaza Coogee Beach





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OPENING CONFERENCE SESSION

Montessori Education and Peace

The conference will open with a plenary conference session for all participants. Focusing on Montessori Education and Peace, each presenter will give a short keynote address, together providing an overview of the topic from birth to age 18. A brief Montessori Australia Foundation update will also be provided.

0-3 WORKSHOP – SHARYLN SMITH

Supporting the Development of Independence in the Child under Age Three

Together we will explore the supports and obstacles to the development of independence with regard to language, movement, eating, toileting and self-concept. This includes both the physical and psychological supports and obstacles to the positive growth of the child under the age of three.

3-6 WORKSHOP - MADLENA ULRICH

Cultural Enrichment of Language

Together we will explore the worlds of nature (botany) and culture (art) to find out how interesting facts and storytelling can enrich the child's oral and written language. We will look at the guiding principles for our work and practice on how to turn dry facts into engaging stories about our world.

6-12 WORKSHOP – CARLA FOSTER

Storyteller of the Truth

Montessori Cosmic Education builds upon a rich oral story telling tradition. This talk will explore why the oral tradition is important to maintain in all subject areas, and how the teacher's role as a "storyteller of the truth" needs to be central in the implementing of Cosmic Education. We will also explore practical ways to improve our storytelling ability in order to use stories to inspire exploration and creativity on the part of the children.

ADOLESCENT WORKSHOP – DAVID KAHN

The Montessori Adolescent Community and its Contribution to Society

David Kahn will integrate the unfolding evolution of Montessori adolescent education since 1996 as it assumes global leadership in its realisation of Maria Montessori's compelling vision of a stronger social human personality as the basis for making the world a better place. His presentation highlights the school's connection to the natural world, which forms a healthy and nurturing small society for the adolescent to comprehend the social role that must be lived in reality as one approaches adulthood to reform education and save civilisation. Workshops sessions will include: A Systems Approach to Development; The Right Use of the Seminar; Sustainability and Peace: Implementation Hot Spots; and Case Studies.

ADMINISTRATORS

NEW THIS YEAR

Administrators are invited to attend one of the age-level workshops of their choice. We hope this will provide an ideal opportunity for Heads of Schools and Administrators to gain further insight into the Montessori approach and accompany their staff on this whole school professional development event. The opening conference session will also give an overview of one topic from birth to eighteen and an opportunity to hear from all the speakers.





Friday, 5 June 2015

9:00am - 11:00am Opening and Combined

Conference Session

11:00am - 11:30am Break

11:30am - 12:45pm Workshop Session

12:45pm - 2:00pm Lunch

2:00pm - 3:15 Workshop Session

3:15pm - 3:45pm Break

3:45pm - 5:00pm Workshop Session

5:00pm - 6:30pm Refresher Reception



Saturday, 6 June 2015

9:00am - 10:30am Workshop Session

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REFRESHER RECEPTION

Join us in the Oceans Bar at the end of the first day for an evening of hot music and delicious food in the cool and contemporary lounge bar. We'll provide the venue and munchies, the drinks and good times are up to you. Be sure to check the box on the registration form to let us know you'll be there.









ACCOMMODATION



VENUE With Sydney's most spectacular beaches at your doorstep and the city centre just a short drive away, guests at Crowne Plaza Coogee Beach enjoy the best of both worlds. Wake up in your spacious guestroom and take in magnificent, uninterrupted ocean views. Many rooms feature spacious balconies with stunning ocean views. Take advantage of their state of the art hotel facilities including acclaimed onsite restaurants and bars, fully equipped gym, heated pool, tennis court and business centre. Coogee is a trendy beachside suburb in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs, close to the city, airport and a buzzing strip of cafés, restaurants and shops. Stunning and sophisticated but free of pretention, Coogee locals embrace a laid-back, relaxed lifestyle. The jewel of Coogee is its spectacular beach, widely renowned as one of the most beautiful on the east coast of Australia. Don't miss out on the magnificent Coogee to Bondi coastal walk. Crowne Plaza Coogee Beach, 242 Arden Street, Coogee NSW 2034

ACCOMMODATION A special rate of \$240 for a Single Coogee Village Room including one full buffet breakfast has been arranged for delegates. Please book your accommodation directly with the venue by phoning 138 388 or the special online booking link https://resweb.passkey.com/go/montessorischoolrefresher

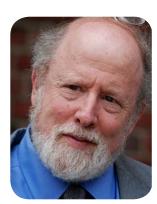
Note that the discounted rate and room block closes on 22 May.







CARLA FOSTER is originally from California, but has lived many years in Norway. She graduated from UC Berkeley, California with bachelor's degrees in Social Anthropology and Scandinavian Studies and a masters in Old Icelandic Literature and Norwegian Literature. She gained her AMI 3-6 diploma from the MMTO in London in 1984 and her AMI 6-12 diploma from Milwaukee in 1990 and has been working with elementary children since 1990. She had her own class in Norway for 12 years before joining the AMI Trainer of Trainers programme. In 2011 she became an AMI Director of Training for the Elementary level and has worked on courses in the US, Europe and India. Any spare time is spent doing various forms of dance.



DAVID KAHN has served as a director for various non-profit Montessori management organisations over the last 40 years. He has 17 years of Montessori teaching experience, 12 of them as teaching principal at Ruffing Montessori School. David was founding director of the Hershey Montessori School's Adolescent Community, an internationally acclaimed Montessori farm school model for adolescent education. He also serves as founding director emeritus of Montessori High School at University Circle, Cleveland, Ohio, which has quickly emerged as another program exemplar. David developed the summer training institute, The AMI Montessori Orientation to Adolescent Studies, to guide and develop teachers who work with students ages 12-18. David holds a BA in fine arts and classics from the University of Notre Dame as well as the AMI Montessori elementary diploma from Bergamo, Italy. He has utilised his film and writing skills to create the largest global Montessori media organisation that documents Montessori innovation and implementation in both the public and private sectors through video and publications. He has created two major museum exhibits that have accented the social and ecological directions of the Montessori movement. Currently, he is assisting with the start-up of a land-based Montessori charter school that will serve the urban poor in Cleveland, Ohio.



SHARLYN SMITH is currently the Head of School at the Juneau Montessori School in Juneau, Alaska. She earned her B.A. in Japanese Language and Literature and International Affairs from the University of Colorado in 1984, and a M.Ed. in Montessori education from Loyola University in 2003. She holds two AMI Diplomas at the 0-3 and 3-6 levels, and is due to complete the AMI Training of Trainers program for 0-3 in early 2015. She began her Montessori career at the Juneau Montessori School as a Casa assistant in 1990 and went on to teach 3-6 for 10 years followed by 0-3 for a further 10 years before moving into the Head of School role. She also began a series of parenting classes offered through the Juneau Family Birth Center where she taught from 2003 to 2009.



MADLENA ULRICH spent her childhood in Germany and attended a Montessori Elementary school there. She moved to Norway as an adolescent and later obtained a Bachelor's degree as a preschool teacher at the University College of Vestfold, Norway. She took her original AMI 3-6 training at Mount St. Mary's Montessori College in Dublin, Ireland. Since 1995 she has worked in the classroom and has been involved in the development of Montessori in Norway by giving lectures and serving as Vice President on the board for the national association NMF. In 2008 she started on her Training of Trainer's, spending two years with Molly O'Shaughnessy in Minnesota and a summer course with Ulla Wikefeldt in Sweden. She is now an AMI Director of Training and is currently working with students in Norway, Romania and is part of the AMI faculty in China.







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RATES	SUBSCRIBERS*	NON-SUBSCRIBERS
2 day Whole School Refresher including Refresher Reception	\$560	\$700

^{*}Discounted rates for Montessori Australia Foundation Individual Subscribers or Staff and Parents of School/Centre Subscribers.

SELECT:	
□ 0-3 Workshop □ 3-6 Workshop □ 6-12 Wo	orkshop Adolescent Workshop
Will you attend the Refresher Reception?	No
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