

Friday & Saturday, 10 & 11 June 2016 Novotel Brighton Beach





PROGRAMME

OPENING CONFERENCE SESSION

Creativity at the Core

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

0-3 WORKSHOP - HFIDI PHII IPPART

Creativity at the Core in the Child Aged 0-3

"...children have eyes that see, a soul that feels and a hand that obeys."

The child from birth is by nature creative. He is the creator of the human being of his time and place. He is in love with life, activity and learning. We guide the child to feel comfortable with his expression and we bring attention to the different aspects of his life. We provide materials in the prepared environment to increase his skill level and we teach him to respect and enjoy life; the child will do the rest. That is why we do not teach the child how to paint, we teach him how to use a paintbrush.

3-6 WORKSHOP - GRETCHEN HALL

The Creative Powers of the Child

The child is gifted by nature with powerful creative abilities from birth. These formative powers are unique to the young child and are necessary to support the child in their task of creating the individual they will become. Montessori wrote: "The child has other powers than ours, and the creation he achieves is no small one; it is everything." In this workshop, we will examine the child's creativity in the context of the Children's House. Participants will gain a deeper understanding of how to support the creative process and maximise each child's potential through preparation of the self and the environment.

6-12 WORKSHOP - REBECCA DALLAM

Creativity at the Core in the 6-12 Classroom

What do we mean by creativity for the 6-12 child? We know that Cosmic Education is Dr Montessori's vision for meeting the developmental needs of Second Plane children. How does creativity equate with our own delivery of Cosmic Education, and with what children 'do' with our presentations?

Over two days we'll sprint through the album contents, examining the topic of creativity in relation to each area: languages; mathematics and geometry; geography, biology and history; the arts. Come prepared not only to listen and reflect, but also to share your own experiences with the group.

COMBINED ADMINISTRATION AND ADOLESCENT WORKSHOP - KATY MYERS

This session will be relevant and meaningful to both administrators and adolescent practitioners. For those with experience, it will allow them to delve deeper into their practice and choose a few areas for growth. For participants who are untrained or otherwise new to Montessori, this workshop will give them a broad framework so that they can begin to deepen their understanding of Montessori practice. Katy will present on five core areas that create a strong foundation for Montessori schools:

- Preparation of the Montessori Environment
- Montessori Lesson Preparation and Record Keeping
- Work in the Classroom (Student)
- Work in the Classroom (Guide)
- Overall Classroom Culture and Management

For each session, Katy will introduce the topic by talking about what it means at the different levels. There will be time for participants to self-evaluate where they are at in their programmes and create a plan moving forward.



Creativity at the Core

SCHEDULE

Friday, 10 June 2016

8:30am - 9:00am Registration

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, 11 June 2016

9:00am - 10:30am Workshop Session

10:30am - 11:00am Break

11:00am - 12:30pm Workshop Session

12:30pm - 2:00pm Lunch

2:00pm - 3:15pm Workshop Session

3:15pm - 3:45pm Break

3:45pm - 5:00pm Workshop Session











REFRESHER RECEPTION

Join us at the end of the first day for the refresher reception for a chance to unwind and mingle with colleagues. 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



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Parking: Three levels of secure undercover parking is located off Princess

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ACCOMMODATION A discounted rate of \$219 is available to conference delegates. Please contact the hotel reservations team on 02 9556 5111 or Email: H1656@accor.com and quote the booking code **MON100616**.

NOTE: The discounted rate and room block closes on 22 May 2016

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REBECCA DALLAM is the Director of Elementary Training at the Australian Centre for Montessori Studies. She holds the AMI 3-6 (1987) and 6-12 (1996) diplomas, a bachelor's degree in English literature from Temple University and a master's degree in education from Loyola University. Rebecca worked in Montessori public education in the U.S. before emigrating to Australia in 1998. Since then she has worked to bring AMI 6-12 training to Australia so that more children can benefit from the Montessori approach to human development. Rebecca has taught at both the 6-9 and 9-12 levels in Sydney-area schools, and currently directs a 6-9 classroom at Cameragal Montessori School. Rebecca has worked with teachers in Australia, New Zealand and Thailand and has served as a course examiner in Japan.



GRETCHEN HALL is the AMI Director of Training at the Montessori Training Center of New England, located in Hartford, Connecticut. Ms. Hall has over 20 years of Montessori experience in both public and private schools as a classroom teacher, administrator, consultant and lecturer. Gretchen holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Michigan State University and holds a Master's Degree in Montessori Education from Loyola University. In addition to her role as Director of Training, she is the Director of the CREC Montessori Magnet School, an AMI-recognized public school serving 330 urban children and serves as Chairman of the AMI/USA Board of Directors.



KATY MYERS is currently the founding principal of Denver Montessori Junior/Senior High School (DMHS) located in Denver, CO. DMHS is a Denver Public School with Innovation Status that opened in Fall, 2013. Katy was a founding parent of Compass Montessori, a pre-K through 12th grade public Montessori charter school in Golden, CO where she served as the business manager and assistant head of school for four years and head of school for six years. Katy's educational background includes elementary Montessori diploma (AMI), adolescent Montessori certification (NAMTA), a B.S. in speech and economics from Northwestern University, and an M.Ed from Arizona State University in education administration and supervision. She is currently a trustee for the Montessori Administrator's Association and board president for Avanti Montessori Charter Institute.



HEIDI PHILIPPART M.A.(Edu), A.M.I.(Dip), lives and works in Amsterdam. She was first introduced to Montessori in the late 80's early 90's, while working under the guidance of Patty Wallner (AMI Assistant to Infancy trainer) and Silvana Montanaro (founder of the AMI Assistant to Infancy programme). Heidi trained in Denver with Judi Orion on the Assistant to Infancy level, has worked extensively with the 0-3 programme and is presently in the process of completing her study to become an AMI trainer on the Assistant to Infancy level. In 1996 she opened her first Montessori school and now runs two small Montessori Bilingual Preschools in the centre of Amsterdam, working with between 80 - 90 families every year. Her speciality is helping parents in the application of Montessori principles and bilingualism in the home environment. Heidi has spoken extensively around the Netherlands and internationally (France, London, Scotland, USA) on Montessori related topics such as toilet independence, preparation of the home environment and the general area of birth to three. Heidi holds a Masters Degree in Education and is now an auxiliary trainer on the 0-3 level after assisting Judi Orion on the Assistant to Infancy programme (Summer format) in Denver as part of the AMI Trainer of Trainers Programme.



REGISTRATION



REGISTER online at www.montessoriaustralia.org.au or fill in and return the form below

RATES	SUBSCRIBERS*	NON-SUBSCRIBERS
2 day Whole School Refresher including Refresher Reception	\$570	\$760

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE THURSDAY, 2 JUNE 2016

SELECT:		
0-3 Workshop 3-6 Workshop 6-12 Works	shop Combined Administration a	and Adolescent Workshop
Will you attend the Refresher Reception? Yes	No	
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