

2012 NAREA Summer Conference

In collaboration with Reggio Children and
Portland Children's Museum

Giving Visibility to Creative Thinking and Collaboration in Our Schools and Communities

is eighth in the series

Dialogues for Quality in Education

The content of this conference is designed for all educators who wish to advance their knowledge of the Reggio Emilia approach. Infant-toddler, preschool, elementary, secondary, and university educators will benefit from presentations and discussions designed to support interpretation and understanding of learning, teaching, and living. Presentations related to values and experiences from Reggio Emilia, Italy will be the focus.

Dialogues for Quality in Education

NAREA, in collaboration with Reggio Children, is coordinating a multi-year professional development series to coincide with the presence of "The Wonder of Learning – The Hundred Languages of Children" exhibit in North America. The objective of this professional development series, which will be achieved through an evolving and connected progression of initiatives and the presence of the exhibit, is to strengthen dialogue and collaborative participation of educators, families, administrators, community members, and government leaders within the participating communities with the overall aim of giving more quality and excellence to young children's early childhood experiences and relationships, particularly with regard to children's participation in settings such as schools and childcare centers.

"The Wonder of Learning – The Hundred Languages of Children"

"The Wonder of Learning - The Hundred Languages of Children" is the newest North American version of "The Hundred Languages of Children" exhibit that has been touring the United States, Canada, and Mexico since 1987. The Municipality of Reggio Emilia has entrusted the management of this exhibit to Reggio Children. NAREA has agreed to manage the organization and coordination of the exhibit in collaboration with Reggio Children and representatives of hosting communities throughout North America.

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DIALOGUES FOR QUALITY IN EDUCATION

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with

"The Wonder of Learning – The Hundred Languages of Children"

An Exhibit from Reggio Emilia, Italy –
North American Version

June 21: Pre-Conference • June 22-24: Conference

Portland, Oregon

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REGISTRATION

Space is limited-register early!

Option 1: NAREA Conference Only

Register by April 30

- \$500 (member)
 \$600 (non-member)

Register after April 30

- \$600 (member)
 \$700 (non-member)

Option 2: Opal School Pre-Conference Only

Register by April 30

- \$150 (member)
 \$165 (non-member)

Register after April 30

- \$150 (member)
 \$165 (non-member)

Option 3: Pre-Conference and Conference

Register by April 30

- \$625 (member)
 \$740 (non-member)

Register after April 30

- \$725 (member)
 \$840 (non-member)

Individual memberships to NAREA are \$75. To join NAREA and save on conference fees, log onto www.reggioalliance.org

NAME

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SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION

PHONE/FAX

E-MAIL (confirmation will be sent via e-mail)

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NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CARD

CARD EXP DATE

SIGNATURE

I am interested in receiving information about earning CEUs. Detailed information, including cost, will be forwarded prior to the conference.

HOW TO REGISTER:

1. Mail completed registration form with payment to:

NAREA, 1131 Canton Street, Roswell, GA 30075

2. Register at www.reggioalliance.org

Full payment or purchase order must be submitted to secure space.

All monies payable in US dollars. Written requests for refunds must be received by May 15, 2012. **All registrations must be postmarked by June 1, 2012.**

CONFERENCE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Relationships between Values, Responsibilities, and Learning
- The Exhibit Seen as a Tool for Professional Development and Documentation
- Role of Relationships and Collaboration within Learning
- Complexities and Richness of Environments for Learning and Well-Being

FEATURES

- Veà Vecchi, *Atelierista*, Responsible for Exhibitions, Publishing and Ateliers, Tiziana Filippini, *Pedagogista*, Responsible for Pedagogical Coordination of Preschools and Infant-Toddler Centers, *Istituzione* of the Municipality of Reggio Emilia, and Amelia Gambetti, *Insegnante*, Responsible for Reggio Children International Network and International Liaison for Consultancy to Schools from Reggio Emilia, Italy presenting the municipal 0-6 educational project by sharing experiences and perspectives in process
- Encounters with "The Wonder of Learning – The Hundred Languages of Children" Exhibit
- Visits to Reggio-inspired schools
- Materials and languages ateliers

SCHEDULE

Pre-Conference • Thursday, June 21 • 8:30 am-4 pm

The program on June 21, which is hosted by Opal School of the Portland Children's Museum, focuses on questions related to mentoring teachers through presentations by local Portland educators who will share experiences from their schools and invite participants into the inquiry.

Conference • Friday, June 22-Sunday, June 24 • 8:30 am-6 pm

The program on June 22-24 includes presentations each day by Veà Vecchi and Tiziana Filippini, with the participation of Amelia Gambetti woven throughout. Additional aspects of the overall program include tours of the exhibit, visits to schools, and ateliers connected to materials and languages. School visits will take place on Sunday, concluding at approximately 6 pm.

PORTLAND

Portland, Oregon, is one of the favorite destinations in the West. Known as "the City of Roses," it is situated in a magnificent setting between the sparkling waters of the Columbia and Willamette Rivers. Washington Park in the hills west of Downtown is the home of Portland Children's Museum, the Oregon Zoo, the World Forestry Center, Hoyt Arboretum, the Japanese Gardens and the world-famous Rose Gardens.

Hospitality

Refreshments and lunch are included each day, as well as conference materials.

Accommodations

The urban convenience of Portland supports participants by offering a wide range of accommodations. A list of accommodations close to the MAX light rail, which will transport participants to the conference and exhibit locations, can be found on the NAREA website.

Transportation

Bus transportation will be provided for the tour of schools according to the organization of the program. Transportation between hotels and the conference site is the responsibility of the participant.

Program

For periodic updates regarding the specifics of the developing conference program and agenda, please check the NAREA website.

Continuing Education Credits

CEUs will be offered through Portland State University. Registration and cost information will be forwarded to those requesting it.

FOR MORE INFO

contact NAREA: www.reggioalliance.org

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