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Northwest Child Care Conference  
Friday Evening & Saturday  
October 1 - 2, 2010

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## Conference Schedule at a Glance

**Location:** NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE Terrace Campus

### Friday, October 1st

**6:45 pm** REGISTRATION Kiva, Cedar Building  
(Trades Building)

**7:00 pm** KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:  
Denise Marshall and Emily Mliczko Kiva

### Saturday, October 2nd

**8:15 - 8:45** REGISTRATION Cedar Building

**9:00 - 11:30** MORNING WORKSHOPS Cedar Building

**11:30 - 1:30** LUNCH New Longhouse

**11:30 - 1:30** TRADES and DISPLAY FAIR Cedar Building

**1:30 - 4:00** AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS Cedar Building

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FRIDAY EVENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS 7 pm

Join colleagues for an informal evening with refreshments included!

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**Denise Marshall, Provincial President of ECEBC (Early Childhood Educators of BC)**

**Emily Mliczko, Executive Director of ECEBC (Early Childhood Educators of BC)**

Denise Marshall is the new President of ECEBC; she has been with the Provincial ECEBC board since 2007. She works and lives in Prince George where she is a program supervisor for the University of Northern British Columbia Childcare Society's 3-5 program. Denise has worked in the field of Early Childhood Education since 1998, beginning her career in Hazelton, where she and her family call "home". She worked in centers in Hazelton, Smithers, Whistler and Squamish and volunteered her time for the annual Provincial ECEBC conference. Denise has great respect for - and values - the hard work, effort and talents that go into facilitating conferences of any size. She is proud to be joining the new ECEBC Executive Director, Emily Mliczko, in the keynote address and is excited to be attending the Terrace conference.

Emily Mliczko has been in the field since the early 90's when she started her career in 100 Mile House. Over the past 20 years, Emily has continued her education within this sector through the ECE program in Kamloops, Care and Special Needs citation through Northern Lights College and she is currently completing First Nations Environments in Early Childhood Settings at North West Community College. She has been involved in programs throughout the province such as Investing in Quality out of UVIC and ECEBC's Leadership Project in Vancouver.

Emily moved to Prince Rupert in 2000. She recently accepted the position of Executive Director at ECEBC and has relocated to Vancouver where she brings forward the values and experiences of living in small communities. She continues to educate the public about the importance of the early years and valuing children as competent individuals. She is proud to say, "I am an Early Childhood Educator."

# PRESENTERS

**Michelle Tannock**, Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor in Early Childhood Education at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She completed her doctorate in Early Childhood Education at the University of Victoria. Michelle has coordinated and participated in a series of studies examining the role of rough and tumble play in early childhood settings and the use of kindness by young children. Her work has been published internationally and she has presented her research at conferences around the world. She has extensive experience managing early childhood programs, supervising inclusive special needs programming, managing federally funded personal preparation grants and currently serves as an appointed member of the State of Nevada Child Care Advisory Council.

**Vince Gowmon**, CPCC, BBA is the founder of Remembering to Play events. He has loved playing all his life and since 1998 he has lived his passion of supporting others to live with joy and purpose. Remembering to Play events combine the two, giving people a playground to discover their authentic selves and laugh along the way! Vince is a Certified Professional Life Coach with a BA in Business Administration, as well as advanced training in Organization & Relationship Systems Coaching.

**Jane Beach** is a Victoria-based early childhood education and care (ECEC) research and policy consultant with extensive experience in government. As an independent consultant she has managed several large studies on ECEC in Canada and internationally. Her current areas of work include the collaboration between child care and the education system, children's environments and human resources issues for early childhood educators.

**Katie Wahl** is an Early Childhood Educator from Prince Rupert. She has worked in the ECE field for 14 years and is currently working towards her citation in First Nations Environments in Early Childhood Settings. Katie is the chair of the ECEBC Branch in Prince Rupert and had the pleasure of being part of ECEBC's 2009 Leadership Initiative.

**Emily Mlieczko** has worked in the field of ECE for 18 years, in Prince Rupert for the past 10 years. There she incorporated emergent curriculum into the school age program. Emily is the new Executive Director of ECEBC. For more on Emily, please read her biography for the Keynote Address.

**Mary Burgaretta** is a member of Rama First Nation and works as a Child Care Advisor for the BC Aboriginal Child Care Society. She has many years of experience working with Aboriginal children, families and organizations. She has a MA in Child and Youth Care from the University of Victoria.

**Linda Wilson** holds a degree in Natural Resources Conservation from UBC. She worked as a park interpreter in BC Parks for 10 years where she developed and presented programs to families and children. Linda has lived in Terrace for 8 years with her husband and two children; she currently works at Northwest Community College.

**Johanna Payjack** has worked at the Terrace Campus Child Care Centre since 2000. You may find her squirreling away treasures in her craft room, garage-saleing and thrift store shopping or peddling her wares at "The Black Cat Emporium" farmer's market stall. She's a bag lady, pack rat, treasure collector and crafter - all traits she pours into her storytelling times.

**Tara Salavich** has worked in early childhood education for 7 years, most recently as staff in the Skeena Child Care Resource & Referral Program. She loves to share her fascination with creepy, crawly, and messy scientific experiments with children and adults alike. When she can find time, she creates felt characters to go along with her favourite stories, using whatever materials she has around the house.

# MORNING WORKSHOPS

## **Young Children's Rough and Tumble Play: Complexities and Opportunities**

**Michelle Tannock**

Children's physical interactions during play can be complex and difficult for adults to interpret, particularly when play appears to be aggressive. Rough and tumble play provides unique opportunities for the development of physical, social and cognitive competency. This presentation will consider the distinct behavioural expressions of young children in early childhood settings within the context of research on rough and tumble play. It will examine this type of play within a framework of normative child growth and development through the perspectives of educators and families, who appraise, consider and intervene in guiding play.

## **Cultivating Intuition: The Heart of Effective Decision Making**

**Vince Gowmon**

Intuition is the knowing of something without prior knowledge or the use of reason. What would be different if you followed your intuition more often? Where can you begin answering your intuition right now? Participate in fun games to learn to trust the still, small voice within. Overcome beliefs and obstacles that prevent you from living intuitively. Listen to yourself- close the communication gap.

## **Child Care Environments: Influences and Impacts**

**Jane Beach**

Elements of indoor and outdoor environments play a role in children's health and safety, well-being, happiness, creativity and cognitive and social development. This workshop will examine the way we conceive of children's environments and their impacts on child development.

## **A Walk on the Wild Side**

**Linda Wilson & Tara Salavich**

Take a walk on the wild side with Linda and Tara. Learn how to explore plants, insects and nature to make your outings more meaningful. Rain or shine, grab your runners and come along for an informative, hands-on two hour walk.

## **Seeing With New Eyes...Connecting Learning and Outdoor Play**

**Mary Burgaretta**

In the past we spent more time outside of our homes, taking part in activities that were essential for daily life. Young children still need outdoor time to observe the seasons, breathe the fresh air, run and shout and use their energy. This workshop will encourage Early Childhood Educators to help children see the outdoors with new eyes. Together we will explore interesting and fun nature activities to add to curriculum planning.

Come prepared to bring your program into the outdoors!

# AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

## **Utilizing Outdoor Play to Support a Positive Community of Children**

**Michelle Tannock**

Outdoor play can be an effective opportunity for educators to provide positive adventures for groups of young children. All areas of development, particularly imagination, physical expression and social interaction, can be enhanced outdoors. This presentation will examine the Kind Intentions Program within a framework of outdoor experiences. The Kind Intentions Program (KIP) was developed in a childcare facility in Victoria. It focuses on supporting young children to engage in kind acts during free play and daily routines.

## **Remembering to Play:**

**Vince Gowmon**

### **The Art of Creative Engagement**

What is your Playful Edge? Where can play become strength for you in your relationships, leadership, creativity and overall way of interacting with life? Re-discover the joy of play; the benefits include spontaneity, communication skills, stress relief and more. "Remembering to Play" is about fun!

## **Exploring with School Age Children**

**Katie Wahl & Emily Mliczko**

As children grow, TV, video games and computers compete with outdoor activities. With strong beliefs in the importance of being outdoors and connected to community, Emily, Katie and their coworkers have developed creative ways to engage school age children in exploring nature and their community.

## **Child Care and the Education System:**

**Jane Beach**

### **Trends, Fears and Potential Benefits**

This workshop will examine the current global trend towards greater alignment of child care and education systems and some of the issues and potential benefits of this approach. We will discuss the implications of increased involvement of the Ministry of Education in early childhood programs in British Columbia and what it means for early childhood educators.

## **Upcycle Your Felt Stories**

**Johanna Payjack & Tara Salavich**

If you too love to make things from recycled, gifted, rescued or thrifted materials, join us for this felt story extravaganza! Bring your creative side to this make 'n take workshop where we will craft felt stories together.

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SATURDAY

MORNING WORKSHOPS 9 - 11:30 am

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## NORTHWEST CHILD CARE CONFERENCE 2010

*We invite Licence-Not-Required, Family Child Care Providers and Early Childhood Educators to our annual Northwest Child Care Conference on Friday evening October 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010.*

### REGISTRATION FEE

\$60 registration fee includes Friday evening Keynote, Refreshments and Saturday lunch. Registration forms will not be processed unless cheque or money order is received.

### EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FEE

\$50 registration fee for **Early Registration must be dropped off or postmarked by Tuesday, September 21st**. After September 21st, the fee is \$60.

### WORKSHOPS


Some workshops have limited space so please indicate your first and second choices. Workshop registration is on a first-registered, first-serve basis. Workshop confirmation and conference receipts will be in your conference package, available Friday evening.

### REFUND POLICY

Registration fee includes a \$10 non-refundable administration charge. Requests for refunds will only be accepted until **September 21st, 2010**.

### ACCOMMODATION

Please make your own arrangements for accommodations. A list of hotels, Bed and Breakfasts and camping spots is available from The Family Place.

Skeena Child Care Resource and Referral (CCRR)   
Early Childhood Educators of BC (Terrace Branch)  
Northwest Community College  
Call 638-1113 or (toll-free) 1-888-638-1863 for information.

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## REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you (check all that apply)

Licence Not Required (LNR)

Early Childhood Educator

Supported Child Care

Strong Start

Family Child Care

Aboriginal Headstart

Kindergarten teacher

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years working in child care: \_\_\_\_\_

Workshops have limited space; they will be filled on a first-come, first serve basis. We do not send confirmation of your registration in specific workshops before the conference.

**Mark your first (1st) and second (2nd) choice for Morning Workshops with a 1 and a 2.**

**SATURDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS: 9 AM - 11:30 AM**

\_\_\_\_ Young Children's Rough and Tumble Play

\_\_\_\_ Cultivating Intuition

\_\_\_\_ Child Care Environments

\_\_\_\_ Seeing with New Eyes...Connecting Learning and Outdoor Play

\_\_\_\_ A Walk on the Wild Side

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Jane Beach

Mary Burgaretta

Linda Wilson and Tara Salavich

**Mark your first (1st) and second (2nd) choice for Afternoon Workshops with a 1 and a 2.**

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS: 1:30 PM - 4 PM**

\_\_\_\_ Utilizing Outdoor Play Experiences to Support a Positive Community of Children

\_\_\_\_ Remembering to Play

\_\_\_\_ Exploring with School Age Children

\_\_\_\_ Child Care and the Education System

\_\_\_\_ Upcycle Your Felt Stories

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Conference fee of \$60.00 includes Friday night Keynote and refreshments plus Saturday lunch.

**Early bird registration fee is \$50.00 before September 21st 2010.**

All registration fees include a \$10.00 non-refundable administration fee.

Requests for refunds will only be accepted until **Tuesday, September 21st, 2010.**

Please drop off or mail your registration with cheque or money order to:

The Family Place

4553 Park Ave

Terrace BC V8G 1V3

**NOTE:** Cheque or money order payable to **ECEBC Terrace Branch**

Questions? Call 638-1113 or 1-888-638-1863 (toll-free) for information.