

Art And Creativity In Reggio Emilia Exploring The Role And

"This large exhibition ... recounts the development and innovative energy of Reggio Emilia's educational work. Five sections present some of the latest projects in Reggio Emilia's infant-toddler centres and preschools, offering a broad, interdisciplinary kaleidoscope spanning various 'languages' and media." -- back cover. In each spread of this bold and humorous picture book, available for the first time since 1995, children can examine their place in the world around them through detailed and engaging maps. Twelve beautifully illustrated maps such as Map of My Day and Map of My Tummy will fascinate children. When finished reading the book, children can unfold the jacket -- it turns into a poster-size map!

Early childhood educators around the world use this best seller to plan daily curriculum and classroom activities. The book contains 76 different themes ranging from Ants to Zoo Animals, presented in alphabetical order. Content for each theme includes the following sections: Curriculum Flowchart, Theme Goals, Concepts for Children to Learn, Vocabulary, Bulletin Board Ideas, Sample Parent Letter, Arts and Crafts, Cooking, Dramatic Play, Field Trips, Fingerplays/Chants, Group Time, Science, Math, Sensory, Large Motor, Fine Motor, Social Studies, Books, Recordings and Song Titles, and Technology/Multimedia Resources. The updated book sections for each theme include hundreds of new children's literature references with a special emphasis on multicultural selections. In addition, the new Sixth Edition includes a brand new four-color insert on Using the Digital Camera in the Early Childhood Classroom. The text is accompanied by a companion website that contains important assessment tools, lesson plan forms, rainy day activities, developmental checklists, classroom artifacts, and much more. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

This is a rich, well-documented, and thoughtful description and analysis of how an early child development program serving low-income, inner-city children and families in Chicago has been exploring and implementing the principles of early childhood education developed in Reggio Emilia, Italy.

Challenging Practitioner Perspectives

Teaching Art Creatively

Making Artists

A Beginner's Guide for American Teachers

Creativity in the Classroom

The Hundred Languages of Children

Documenting Children's Meaning

Typical art resources for teachers offer discrete art activities, but these don't carry children or teachers into the practice of using the languages of art. This resource offers guidance for teachers to create space, time, and intentional processes for children's exploration and learning to use art for asking questions, offering insights, exploring hypotheses, and examining experiences from unfamiliar perspectives. Inspired by an approach to teaching and learning born in Reggio Emilia, Italy, The Language of Art, Second Edition, includes: A new art exploration for teachers to gain experience before implementing the practice with childrenAdvice on setting up a studio space for art and inquirySuggestions on documenting children's developing fluency with art media and its use in inquiryInspiring photographs and ideas to show you how inquiry-based practices can work in any early childhood setting Ann Pelo is a teacher educator, program consultant, and author whose primary work focuses on reflective pedagogical practice, social justice and ecological teaching and learning and the art of mentoring. Currently, Pelo consults early childhood educators and administrators in North America, Australia, and New Zealand on inquiry-based teaching and learning, pedagogical leadership, and the necessary place of ecological identity in children's—and adults'—lives. She is the author of several books including the first edition of The Language of Art and co-author of Rethinking Early Childhood Education.

'An excellent resource for all those working with young children... jam-packed with exciting, inspirational activities that encourage young children to nurture their creativity and imagination while helping practitioners to facilitate what children do naturally... It is a book that celebrates and encourages original thought and action to support learning through exploration and investigation, recognising that creativity is about representing one's own image and not reproducing someone else's' - Early Years Educator '[I]nspirational... This book is easy to read, refreshing and exciting, and I would recommend it to all those working with young children. It is also useful for students, clearly articulating the reasons for providing well-organised child-initiated creative opportunities rather than adult-directed activities' - Nursery World It is an interesting and informative manual aimed at those who work with children in the 3-5 years age range, and is therefore most suited to anyone in a Pre-School or Day Nursery setting, and could also be valuable to a Reception Teacher...over all, I found this to be a very useful book'. - National Childminding Association Packed full of exciting ideas and powerful visual aids, this book will help those working with young children to encourage and nurture their creativity and imagination. The book takes examples of what has worked in an early years setting, and transfers these inspirational activities onto the page. The book includes: " practical activities in Art, Dance and Music and ideas on how to link them together; " advice on how to make the most of music, lighting, space and nursery resources; " showing how the work supports the Foundation Stage Curriculum; " ideas for cross-curricular work; " suggestions for recording children's progress; " advice on how to choose materials, and a list of specialist suppliers. Everyone involved in working with young children should read this book. Nursery practitioners, early years teachers, Sure Start workers, play workers and Children's Centre staff will find it an invaluable resource. It is also useful for specialist staff in hospitals and other areas of health. For resources, useful hints and tips, and sample materials, visit the companion website here!

There is a growing awareness in Early Years education that an essential part of children's development involves creative engagement through language, gestures, body movements, drawing and music; creating shared meanings in playful contexts. Supporting Children's Creativity through Music, Dance, Drama and Art brings together contributions from a range of professionals and early years practitioners, to help readers implement the themes of the Early Years Foundation Stage framework in a creative way. Emphasising the need for responsive adults and a creative atmosphere for learning, this book covers: How to promote a creative classroom effectively The importance of talking and listening in groups Working with community artists Music-making and story-telling in the classroom Practical resources and theoretical grounding Making use of the 'talking table' technique With practical case studies drawn from a range of contexts, this book highlights the contribution that creativity makes to children's learning and social development, illustrated through practical suggestions and feedback from tried and tested methods. Appealing to all with an interest in Early Years practice, this book demonstrates how practitioners can put excitement and inspiration back into the learning process, and guides them to encourage and support the creative capacities of young children.

This is the third in Reggio Children's "Fragments" series dedicated to making Loris Malaguzzi's writing, and his talks at conferences and professional learning meetings, available to a wider public. In this volume we can read the transcript of a talk he gave in Reggio Emilia in 1988 as part of a calendar of meetings for educators in municipal infant-toddler centres and preschools, on the theme of 'designing' or 'progettazione' in their work. On this occasion Malaguzzi's reflections "take to the open sea" and touch on several themes: human beings and their place in nature; learning between biological constraint and spaces of design thinking; connections between disciplines and knowledge; the value of subjective differences; the idea that development is not stage-based; uncertainty as a space of freedom and research with strategy and abduction as operational and conceptual tools; the times and quality of possibilities offered and of relations with adults and other children as important factors for constructing meaningful learning.

My Map Book

Loris Malaguzzi and the Schools of Reggio Emilia

Articles from the School Arts Magazine Collection

Art and Creative Development for Young Children

Listening, Researching and Learning

Case Studies in Using the Arts in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education

SchoolArts Collection Early Childhood

CREATIVITY AND THE ARTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN, Third Edition, is written for early childhood educators as well as those who work with children from birth through age eight. The text focuses on helping educators make the vital connection to the arts—including music, movement, drama, and the visual arts—throughout all areas of the classroom and curriculum, and on developing creative teachers who will be able to foster an artistic environment. Observations and photos of teachers and children demonstrate practical ways the arts can be used to help children reach their potential. Educators will find many ideas for open-ended activities that are important for the development of young children, and which will encourage them to think in new ways. Discussion of professional standards and recommendations allows teachers to be cognizant of goals that are important in the early years. Thorough in its coverage, the text speaks to children with special needs and cultural diversity, leaving readers with a complete information resource regarding arts in the young child's classroom. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Bringing Reggio Emilia Home is the first book to integrate the experiences of one American teacher on a year-long internship in the preschools of Reggio, with a four-year adaptation effort in one American school. The lively text includes many "mini-stories" of preschool and kindergarten-age children, teachers, and parents who embark on journeys of learning together. These journeys take shape in language, in drawings, in tempera paint and clay, in outdoor excursions, and in the imaginations of both the children and adults. This informative and accessible work features photographs of the children (both in Italy and the United States) and samples of the children's work, including some in full colour. During the past 10 years there has been a tremendous interest among early childhood educators and parents in the innovative approaches to teaching pioneered in the preschools of Reggio Emilia, Italy. This book is a must read for anyone interested in the Reggio Approach! Teachers, especially those in early childhood, teacher educators, policy makers, administrators, and parents will find it invaluable.

The early childhood programme of Reggio Emilia in Italy is acclaimed as one of the best education systems in the world and this book offers the unique insight of Carlina Rinaldi, the former director of the municipal early childhood centres in Reggio Emilia and successor to Loris Malaguzzi, one of the twentieth century's leading pedagogical thinkers. Rinaldi has an enviable international reputation for her contribution to the Reggio approach and has given talks on the topic around the world. A collection of Rinaldi's most important works, this book is organized thematically with a full introduction contextualising each piece. It closes with an interview by series editors Peter Moss and Gunilla Dahlberg, looking at Rinaldi's current work and reflections on Reggio's past, present and future. Much of this material is previously unpublished and focuses on a number of questions: What were the ideas and legacy of Loris Malaguzzi? What is unique about Reggio Emilia? What are the issues in education today and what does it mean to be a teacher? How can educators most effectively make use of creativity?

Offering practical guidance on encouraging creativity in early childhood settings, this much-needed book highlights the importance of the arts and creativity for children's learning, critical thinking, social interaction and self-regulation. The book considers the impact of creativity on early brain development and discusses how to choose the right arts or creative approach for your children. Principles for creative curriculums, teaching, assessments and environments are provided and each chapter includes a 'practitioner toolkit' element, with reflective questions and practical strategies for implementing the learning from the chapter into daily practice.

STEAM

Integrating the Visual Arts Into the Early Childhood Curriculum

Learning and Teaching with Reggio Principles in Urban Settings

Research open to wonder, between the possible, probable, and unpredictable

Children's Imagination

The Language of Art

*With over 40 Art Invitations for Kids * Creative Activities and Projects that Inspire Confidence, Creativity, and Connection*

This catalogue is designed to offer a "guided tour" of the exhibit entitled "The Expressive Languages of Children, the Artistic Languages of Alberto Burri". As a tribute to the possible encounters between children and the poetic languages, the exhibit comprises various projects carried out in infant-toddler centers, preschools, and elementary schools following the retrospective exhibit of works by Italian artist Alberto Burri, which has held in Reggio Emilia from November 2001 through January 2002.

ART AND CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT FOR YOUNG CHILDREN, 7th Edition, is a comprehensive, must-have resource for establishing and implementing a developmentally appropriate art program. Written for pre-service and in-service early childhood professionals in child care, preschool, or kindergarten through third grade settings, the text takes a child-centered approach to art education. The book blends theory and research with practical applications as it discusses important topics and issues related to creative experience, including art and the developing child, special needs and diversity, and children's artistic development. Also discussed are planning, developing, implementing, and evaluating art along with strategies for integrating art across the curriculum. The updated Seventh Edition gives greater emphasis to communication with families, and includes such new topics as digital camerawork and the use of recycled materials in art. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Practical ways to bring the practices of Reggio Emilia to your classroom.

The author opens our eyes and ears to what is happening under our noses when children play with anything from seedpods to felt-tip pens or even an iPad. Kolbe's stories reveal that unstructured and unhurried play, as neuroscientists, psychologists and educators have long said, encourages children to become imaginative and inventive thinkers.

Engaging in Design and Creativity with Children and Families

The Wonder of Learning

Living authentically with the different ways of feeling

A selection of his writings and speeches, 1945-1993

Journeys

Inquiry-Based Studio Practices in Early Childhood Settings

Supporting Young Children's Development and Wellbeing

Adri promises to remember his parents' words of wisdom about how to live his life, such as "Find your own way. You don't have to follow the crowd" and "Make wishes on the stars in the nighttime sky."

The second in the "Fragments" series of digital publishing dedicated to Loris Malaguzzi, and making available to a wider public his writings and talks during professional development, conferences, and conventions. This volume collects some contributions from Loris Malaguzzi on the theme of war, dating from the beginning of 1991 (in conjunction withe the Gulf War). Despite being formulated more than thirty years ago and despite radical changes in the media, the words of Malaguzzi are still capable to "resonate" with educators, teachers, and parents, inviting to reflect on how living authentically with the different ways of feeling, children and adults together, in search of the meanings of events that the media bring daily into our homes – and in the children's eys – in real time.

Use loose parts to spark children's creativity and innovation Loose parts are natural or synthetic found, bought, or upcycled materials that children can move, manipulate, control, and change within their play. Alluring and captivating, they capture children's curiosity, give free reign to their imagination, and motivate learning. The hundreds of inspiring photographs showcase an array of loose parts in real early childhood settings. And the overviews of concepts children can learn when using loose parts provide the foundation for incorporating loose parts into your teaching to enhance play and empower children. The possibilities are truly endless.

Suggests methods of teaching young children about the visual arts.

Bringing Reggio Emilia Home

Only One You

Supporting Young Children's Development and Wellbeing

Play, Make, Create, A Process-Art Handbook

A Reggio-Inspired Approach

Supporting Children's Creativity through Music, Dance, Drama and Art

Simple Ways to Fill Your Family's Life with Art and Creativity

Written for pre-service and in-service early childhood professionals in child care, preschool, or kindergarten through third grade settings, ART & CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT FOR YOUNG CHILDREN, 8th Edition, takes a child-centered approach to art education. Updated throughout, the book includes an in-depth discussion of technology to aid teachers in understanding the role that technology can play in children's visual art appreciation and production. Guidelines for establishing an inclusive art program in classrooms for young children are included for early childhood professionals. Activities and recipes make the text a valuable resource for in-service teachers. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version. Inspired by the idea of documentation as a valuable tool for making learning visible, pedagogical narration offers an opportunity to move beyond checklists and quick answers to a more complex understanding of how children learn, and how teachers might facilitate and support that learning in innovative ways. The authors use stories they collected during a collaborative study to offer a range of possibilities for alternative childhood pedagogies. Cutting edge, yet practical; detailed in its analysis, yet inspiring, this book is a boon to the field of early childhood and primary education studies.

The city-run early childhood program of Reggio Emilia, Italy, has become recognized and acclaimed as one of the best systems of education in the world. Over the past 30 years, educators there have evolved an innovative approach that fosters children's intellectual development through a systematic focus on symbolic representation. Young children are encouraged to explore their environment and express themselves through many "languages", or modes of expression, including words, movement, drawing, painting, sculpture, shadow play, collage and music... This book brings together the reflections of the Italian educators who founded and developed the system, as well as North Americans who have observed and/or studied there. It is a comprehensive introduction covering history and philosophy, curriculum and methods of teaching, school and system organization, the use of space and physical environments, and adult professional roles. -Back cover.

Loris Malaguzzi was one of the most important figures in 20th century early childhood education, achieving world-wide recognition for his educational ideas and his role in the creation of municipal schools for young children in the Italian city of Reggio Emilia, the most successful example ever of progressive, democratic and public education. Despite Malaguzzi's reputation, very little of what he wrote or said about early childhood education has been available in English. This book helps fill the gap, presenting for the first time in

English, writings and speeches spanning 1945 to 1993, selected by a group of his colleagues from an archive established in Reggio Emilia. They range from short poems, letters and newspaper articles to extended pieces about Malaguzzi's early life, the origins of the municipal schools and his ideas about children, pedagogy and schools. This material is organised into five chronological chapters, starting at the end of World War Two and ending just before his death, with introductions to each chapter providing background, including the historical context, the main events in Malaguzzi's life and the rationale for the selection of documents. The book provides a unique insight into the background, thinking and work of Malaguzzi, revealing, in his own words, how his thinking developed, how he moved between theory and practice, how he border-crossed many disciplines and subjects, and how he combined many roles ranging from administrator and campaigner to researcher and pedagogue. Academics, students and practitioners alike will find this landmark publication provides rich insights into his life and work.

Reconceptualizing Early Childhood Practices Through Pedagogical Narration

Design/Progettazione in infant-toddler centres and preschools

Art and Creativity in Reggio Emilia

Children, Art, Artists

Children, the War and Us

The Artful Parent

Creativity and the Arts with Young Children

This volume contests the current higher educational paradigm of using objectives and outcomes as ways to measure learning. Instead, the contributors propose approaches to learning that draw upon the creative arts and humanities, including cinema, literature, dance, drama and visual art.

This book explores the contribution of and art and creativity to early education, and examines the role of the atelier (an arts workshop in a school) and atelierista (an educator with an arts background) in the pioneering pre-schools of Reggio Emilia. It does so through the unique experience of Vea Vecchi, one of the first atelieristas to be appointed in Reggio Emilia in 1970. Part memoir, part conversation and part reflection, the book provides a unique insider perspective on the pedagogical work of this extraordinary local project, which continues to be a source of inspiration to early childhood practitioners and policy makers worldwide. Vea's writing, full of beautiful examples, draws the reader in as she explains the history of the atelier and the evolving role of the atelierista. Key themes of the book include: • processes of learning and knowledge construction • the theory of the hundred languages of childhood and the role of poetic languages • the importance of organisation, ways of working and tools, in particular pedagogical documentation • the vital contribution of the physical environment • the relationship between the atelier, the atelierista, the school and its teachers This enlightening book is essential reading for students, practitioners, policy makers and researchers in early childhood education, and also for all those in other fields of education interested in the relationship between the arts and learning.

Creativity and Making in Early Childhood brings together practice and research insights on creativity, to offer new perspectives on what creativity is, how it manifests in early childhood education and what can be done to support it. Each chapter includes practitioners' own experiences and looks within these observations and reflections to highlight key questions and challenges. Insights and perspectives are drawn from research in order to engage deeply with these challenges and to develop future practice in early childhood education. Particular focus is on creativity as physical 'making' processes. Topics covered include: - children's developing identities - sharing and social interactions - how time, choice and physical environments influence young children's creativity - instructions, resourcing and expectations of creativity in the early childhood setting Practical learning features guiding students through the book include: research spotlight sections introducing readers to key pieces of research, questions to aid reflection on experiences in relation to relevant theory, summaries and tasks for the reader designed to deepen thinking. This text is an excellent resource for undergraduate students in early childhood and education, as well as postgraduate students and practitioners who have returned to study.

Examines the meaning of curriculum, discusses curriculum integration, describes how to plan, create, and evaluate a curriculum, and examines how modern literacy, mathematics, social studies, science, and expressive arts curricula evolved into their present forms. Methods of assessing children's progress through the curriculum are integrated throughout.

Metaproject for an Environment for Young Children

The Expressive Languages of Children, the Artistic Language of Alberto Burri

Loose Parts

We Are All Explorers

How to Foster Original Thinking with more than 25 Process Art Experiences

In Dialogue with Reggio Emilia

Creativity and Making in Early Childhood

*Bring out your child's creativity and imagination with more than 60 artful activities in this completely revised and updated edition Art making is a wonderful way for young children to tap into their imagination, deepen their creativity, and explore new materials, all while strengthening their fine motor skills and developing self-confidence. The Artful Parent has all the tools and information you need to encourage creative activities for ages one to eight. From setting up a studio space in your home to finding the best art materials for children, this book gives you all the information you need to get started. You'll learn how to: * Pick the best materials for your child's age and learn to make your very own * Prepare art activities to ease children through transitions, engage the most energetic of kids, entertain small groups, and more * Encourage artful living through everyday activities * Foster a love of creativity in your family*

The Children's Music Studio provides music teachers, parents and early childhood educators a wealth of materials and a clear roadmap for applying Reggio Emilia principles and practices to preschool and early childhood music education. Drawing on Professor Hanna's extensive experience researching and teaching in Reggio-inspired music classrooms, this pioneering book provides a comprehensive and in-depth manual for designing music ateliers-hands-on studios that capture the imagination and creativity of children. Informed by the cutting edge research on music learning, this practical guide includes detailed studio plans, examples of Reggio-inspired music studio explorations and documentation of children's work in music studios. In this book you will: - Discover how children can naturally learn music through the studio approach - See detailed examples and documentation of project-based studio learning - Understand how music learning increases overall artistic and academic literacy across the curriculum - Learn how to develop customized projects for your classroom that will teach children to think and communicate fluently through music and sound Early childhood and elementary music teachers will find this book especially useful as it provides innovative ideas for Reggio-inspired music teaching and learning techniques that can be integrated into the existing curriculum.

Art Workshop for Children is not just another book of straightforward art projects. The book's unique child-led approach provides a framework for cultivating creative thinking and encourages the wonder that comes when children are allowed to freely explore the creative process and their materials. As children work through these open-ended workshops, adults are guided on how to be facilitators who provide questions, encourage deep thinking, and help spark an excitement for discovery. Children explore basic materials and workshops that use minimal supplies, and then gradually add new materials to fill the art cabinets as well as new skills and more complex workshops. Most workshops are suitable to preschool-aged children, and each contains ideas for explorations and new twists to engage older or more experienced artists. Interspersed throughout are sidebar essays that introduce perspectives on mess-making, imperfection, the role of adult, collaborative art, and thoughts on the Reggio Emilia method, a self-guided teaching philosophy. These pieces underscore the value of art-making with children, and support the parent/teacher/care-giver on how to successfully lead, question, and navigate their children through the workshops to result in the fullest experiences.

Packed with joyful and educational art experiences for kids, Play, Make, Create offers fun and engaging imaginative activities focused on the fun and reward of creating, not just producing a final project. Founded in a process-based philosophy, this unique book includes more than 40 activities set up as invitations, or thoughtfully designed prompts to explore, create, and play. Author Meri Cherry has more than 20 years of teaching experience, and her blog (mericherry.com) has set the standard for meaningful and enriching process art experiences that are both manageable for parents, and appealing and fun for kids. Play, Make, Create begins with a guide for parents, teachers, and facilitators that discusses how to set up materials in an inviting way, how to present an activity and talk to kids about art, and how to stock the right materials for ongoing creativity. Also included are best-practice tips for clean-up, answers to frequently asked questions, and more. The book offers four types of creative invitations: Invitations to Explore (easy ideas for fun and play), Invitations to Create (open-ended, craft-based activities), Invitations to Play (sensory-based activities), and Big Projects (ongoing process-art activities). Most feature basic materials and tools (paper, inexpensive paints, pencils, glue) that require little setup. Among the projects and activities you'll find: A collage project that takes a no-rules approach to creating with cut-out drawings and pictures. Ideas for building a science station that allow kids to experiment with kitchen cabinet supplies such as soap, measuring spoons, cotton balls, and baking soda. A prompt to draw a self-portrait, using a mirror (parents can draw themselves, too). Instructions for making homemade colored playdough. The activities in Play, Make, Create promote active, meaningful, and socially interactive learning. Children are encouraged to wonder, experiment, and use critical thinking—and most of all, enjoy the process. By following their own inclinations and making their own choices, children gain self-confidence and hone their problem-solving skills. Get Play, Make, Create and give children the gift of creativity!

Exploring the Role and Potential of Ateliers in Early Childhood Education

Creative conversations in the Early Years

The Early Childhood Curriculum

An Innovative Approach to Early Childhood Education

Art Workshop for Children

Creative Resources for the Early Childhood Classroom

Creative Activities for the Early Years

This critically acclaimed, lavishly illustrated book will help educators create the highest quality learning opportunities for a new generation of children. The Second Edition features substantial and important changes, including the addition of new chapters by pioneers of the work that happens in the atelier who draw on several decades of experience. The atelier of studio is a key element of the renowned preschools and infant-toddler centres of Reggio Emeilia, Italy. This beautiful, full-colour resource explores how the experiences of children interacting with rich materials in the atelier affect an entire school's approach to the construction and expression of thought and learning. The authors provide examples of projects and address practical aspects of the atelier, including organizing the environment and using materials. No other book presents a more thorough examination of the philosophy, practice, and essential influence of the Reggio-inspired studio.

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Teaching Art Creatively is packed with ideas and inspiration to enrich teachers' knowledge and understanding of art and design in the primary classroom. It synthesises the philosophical and practical elements of teaching, encouraging a move away from traditional didactic approaches to contemporary classroom pedagogies to develop children's creative potential. With an emphasis on recognising the value of children's art and how to support children's creative and artistic processes, key topics explored include improving your own creativity, competence and confidence helping children become independent artists starting points and imaginative contexts for art and design individual, group and whole class work art inside and outside the classroom how to develop visual literacy the value of working alongside artists the contribution of art and design to children's overall creative development Teaching Art Creatively offers a new model of visual arts education in the primary years. Illustrated throughout with examples of exciting projects, children's work and case studies of good practice, it will be essential reading for every professional who wishes to embed creative approaches to teaching in their classroom.

The Colors of Learning

Inspiring Play in Young Children

The Reggio Emilia Approach to Early Childhood Education

Learning from the Atelier of Reggio Emilia, Second Edition

In the Spirit of the Studio

Working in the Reggio Way

Creativity Under Our Noses

The aim of this project is to enable a 'meeting of minds' between the avant-garde pedagogical philosophy of the Reggio Emilia preschools and innovative experiences within the culture of design and architecture.

The Children's Music Studio

Children, Spaces, Relations

Creativity and the Arts in Early Childhood