



## Join us on a MONTESSORI VOYAGE!

Friday, November 12, 2010

6:30pm - 8:30pm

### COME OUT & EXPLORE...

- The Planes of Development
- TODDLERS
- PRE-PRIMARY
- ELEMENTARY

### Bon Voyage!

In Part One of this amazing journey through the Montessori curriculum, each of our guides will present an area of curriculum within a Montessori classroom. You will have the chance to visit each class in turn as you experience your very own journey through the world of Montessori that your children share in daily. This visit is an excellent source of information and an opportunity to learn about the lessons and discover at what stage of development your child will explore different subjects.

Come aboard and enjoy this in-depth look into the Montessori curriculum!

### • The Planes of Development



The four planes of development define the stages of human growth from birth to biological maturity. Each stage lasts approximately six years and a different set of psychological characteristics can be observed at each stage. Let us guide you to understand the stages and the sensitive periods each child experiences along the way.

- The Unconscious Creator and The Conscious Worker
- The Cultural Explorer
- The Humanistic and Social Explorer
- The Specialist Explorer

Presented in the Big Room by Tracy Stafford

### • TODDLERS



#### The Unconscious Creator

The primary goal of the "Unconscious Creator" is to acquire knowledge by obtaining language and labeling elements in the environment. This is done solely at an unconscious level from the ages of 0-3 years. Featured topics are:

- Language
- Movement
- The Pre-Primary Years
- Continuing the Journey

Presenters Include: Liz Hamlin, Sarah Huffman, Tere Obrochta & Kristi Lachlan

### • PRE-PRIMARY



#### The Conscious Worker

The primary goal of the "Conscious Worker" is understanding. Knowledge is constructed through imitation, repetition, and action. The child will choose activities with intelligence, memory and self-awareness. They crave sensory input, order and information about the real world in the period from age 3 to age 6. Featured topics are:

- Practical Life
- Sensorial
- Language
- Math
- The Three Year Cycle
- Continuing the Journey

Presenters Include: Usha Motha, Laurie Barkin, Jennifer Wagner, Micha Thompson, Angie Knowlton, Greta Seitz & Kourtney Bartlett

### • ELEMENTARY



#### The Cultural Explorer

A child between the ages of 6 - 12 years has moved beyond the question of "what" and is actively focused and engaged by the "why, how, where, and when" of things. This child is part scientist, part philosopher, part politician, and part poet. They seek to understand the cause of things and develop the personal tools for getting richer and more meaningful answers to their questions concerning the world. Featured topics are:

- What is Cosmic Education?
- Elementary Math
- Elementary Language
- Crossing the Bridge to Abstraction

Presenters Include: Greta Seitz & Kourtney Bartlett

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**VOLUNTEER TIME!** For full participation in this special event, you will be awarded one hour of volunteer time!!

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