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Early Childhood Educators of British Columbia

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JOIN US FOR ECEBC'S 39TH CONFERENCE!

BUILDING ON OUR ROOTS: CELEBRATING OUR SUCCESS AND EXPANDING OUR POSSIBILITIES

ECEBC is pleased to present the 39th annual ECEBC Conference. We chose this year's theme to recognize, honour, and celebrate the whole community of dedicated people who nurture, guide, and care for young children throughout BC.

At ECEBC we are committed to advancing early childhood education and educators, and we believe that knowledge of the history of early childhood education and care combined with current research informs our future direction and will influence positive change in our field. In keeping with that vision, we have chosen a diverse range of workshop topics that will offer you many learning opportunities and provide you with new inspiration, knowledge, and skills.

The ECEBC 2010 Conference Planning Committee, with the support of the ECEBC Board and staff, has created an event that incorporates the best elements of a celebration—favourite presenters, shopping fun, sit-down lunch buffets, and a gala dinner that is sure to be filled with much fun, laughter, and sharing with friends old and new!

Please join us at Conference 2010, where we will be welcoming many new presenters as well as favourites from past years. We look forward to seeing you May 27 to 29 in Richmond, BC!

Lynn McBride, Director of Conference

This year's conference highlights include:

- Two keynote addresses
- Exciting and innovative Friday and Saturday program format to suit everyone
- Workshops on a wide range of topics, including leadership in ECE, the Reggio approach, storytelling, working with infants and toddlers, and advocacy
- Sit-down lunch buffets for all delegates on both Friday and Saturday
- Larger meeting rooms
- New extended Trade Fair hours
- Thursday night IKEA shopping trip
- The Friday Night Gala, which promises to be as much fun as last year!

Easy on-line registration for the conference at www.ecebc.ca



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CONFERENCE AT-A-GLANCE



THURSDAY, MAY 27

9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Leadership, Administration,
Management (LAM) Module 6:
Community and Board Relations
Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel

8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Let's Talk About Touching
Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel

5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Registration Desk open for early
registration

5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
ECE Networking in Cedarbridge
Room

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Special Road Trip to IKEA

FRIDAY, MAY 28

7:30 am to 5:00 pm
Registration Desk open

8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Let's Talk About Touching
Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel

7:30 am to 4:00 pm
Trade Fair and Resource Fair open

8:30 am to 9:45 am
Official Opening and
Keynote Address by Paul Kershaw

9:45 am to 10:15 am
Coffee Break

10:15 am to 12:15 pm
A Sessions

12:15 pm to 1:30 pm
Hot Lunch Buffet

12:30 pm to 1:15 pm
You Are Worth It!

1:30 pm to 3:30 pm
B Sessions

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
ECEBC Annual General Meeting

6:30 pm to 10:30 pm
Friday Night Gala

SATURDAY, MAY 29

7:30 am to 2:00 pm
Registration Desk open

7:30 am to 3:00 pm
Trade Fair and Resource Fair open

8:30 am to 10:00 am
C Sessions

10:00 am to 10:30 am
Coffee Break

10:30 am to 12:00 pm
D Sessions

12:00 pm to 1:30 pm
Hot Lunch Buffet
Keynote Presentation:
Finding Our Voice Through
Leadership

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm
E Sessions



PRE-CONFERENCE PROGRAMS

LET'S TALK ABOUT TOUCHING TEACHER TRAINING

Thursday, May 27, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm and
Friday, May 28, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel

ECEBC is pleased to offer training for Let's Talk About Touching (LTAT), an outstanding program designed to prevent child sexual abuse. Developed in BC for children aged 4 to 6 years, it has been a valuable resource for ECEs and kindergarten teachers since 1986.

This Teacher Training, which totals 14.5 hours, prepares licenced ECEs to present the LTAT program to children in early childhood centres. The program is broken down into 4 Modules offered over Thursday and Friday. Module 1 provides an overview of the LTAT program and child abuse. Module 2 focuses on the BC Child, Family and Community Service Act (the legal responsibilities) for when a child discloses abuse and how to make a report. Modules 3 and 4 focus on the Let's Talk About Touching Program and Kit and how to deliver the LTAT program to children in your centre. Each LTAT kit includes a program manual with 9 lessons and family resource materials in 7 different languages, teaching pictures, felt board figures, sorting cards, puppets, male and female teaching dolls, and a CD of songs recommended in the lessons.

Note: You must be a qualified early childhood educator or elementary school teacher to register for this training. Participants must attend all sessions on Thursday and Friday. If you register for LTAT, you will not be able to register for conference sessions on Friday. You can register for Saturday conference sessions for the 1-day registration fee.

Presenters: Lisa McArthur is with UBC Child Care Services. Mary Peirce-Biagi is a long-time ECE who has been involved in LTAT since the 1980s.

Registration

Fee: \$255 + \$12.75 GST = \$267.75 (includes registration for both days, coffee breaks, lunch, and the Let's Talk About Touching Kit)
To register, see the conference Registration Form on page 21.

LEADERSHIP, ADMINISTRATION, MANAGEMENT (LAM) MODULE 6: COMMUNITY AND BOARD RELATIONS

Thursday, May 27, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel

Leadership, Administration, and Management (LAM) is a 60-hour course designed for experienced child care practitioners who either manage a child care program or anticipate assuming some responsibility for the management or administration of a child care program.

This module is designed to provide participants with the opportunity to explore the role of administrators and managers within their organizational context, the families they serve and the community in which they work. The material covered will include the role and responsibilities of non-profit Boards of Directors, family centred policies and practices, and knowledge of community resources.

Presenters: Beverly Christian and Lynell Anderson

Registration

To register, go to www.bcacce.ca to download the registration form.

Mail form with full payment to BCACCE c/o **Etovre Vese**,
2881 Acadia Road, Vancouver, BC V6T 1S1.

For more information contact Etovre Vese at info@bcacce.ca.

This workshop is sponsored by BCACCE (BC Association of Child Care Employers) in partnership with ECEBC.

CONFERENCE EVENTS AND MEETINGS



IKEA Shopping Trip

Thursday, May 27

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

IKEA Richmond, 3200 Sweden Way

Fee: \$15 (GST included)

Hop on a bus on Thursday night for a very fun evening of shopping! IKEA's shelves offer plenty of options in furniture, teaching aids, toys, and materials to give a facelift to your child care centre. The bus leaves the hotel at 6:00 pm and picks everyone up at IKEA at 9:00 pm. Bus space is limited, so order your tickets when you register for the conference.

Registration and Networking in the Cedarbridge Room

Thursday, May 27, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Friday, May 28, 7:30 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday, May 29, 7:30 to 2:00 pm

Thursday evening and all day Friday and Saturday, we have created a space for delegates to join colleagues and enjoy networking opportunities. In addition, ECEBC's partnering organizations will be available throughout the conference to answer your questions about the work they do and how you can become involved.

Trade Fair

Friday, May 28, 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday, May 29, 7:30 am to 3:00 pm

Bring your shopping lists and bags and get ready to shop from over 30 booths! Once again, there will be felt stories, finger puppets, art smocks, books, and more available to purchase for your child care centre. Play Vendor Bingo for a chance to win great prizes!

You Are Worth It!

Friday, May 28, 12:30 pm to 1:15 pm, Ballroom

ECEBC's Board of Directors invites you to join this open discussion about ECEBC's \$20 per hour "You Are Worth It" strategy. Please join us for an update and bring your questions, ideas, and suggestions.

ECEBC Annual General Meeting

Friday, May 28, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm, Elmbridge Room

Please join us at the Annual General Meeting of ECEBC.

Friday Night Gala

Hosted by the Bridal Party of Prince George

Friday, May 28, 6:30 pm

Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel, Ballroom

Fee: \$50 (GST included)

We invite you to this special evening of fine food, friendship, and fun. Continuing with the fun of last year's gala, a delicious dinner will be served and ECEBC awards will be presented. After dinner, get ready to party on the dance floor! Stay tuned to the ECEBC web site for updates on the gala theme. There will be prizes for the best-dressed child care centre and individual. Come to enjoy the camaraderie of the night.



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

FRIDAY MORNING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Paul Kershaw

15 by 15: A Comprehensive Policy Framework for Early Human Capital Investment in BC

Friday, May 28, 8:30 am

Today, only 71% of BC children arrive at kindergarten meeting all the developmental benchmarks they need to thrive both now and in the future; 29% are developmentally vulnerable. This level of vulnerability is 3 times higher than it needs to be, biologically speaking. Unnecessary early vulnerability is a problem for justice because it limits children's life chances through no fault of their own.

Since the social justice argument has had insufficient influence over public policy decisions, Dr. Kershaw and colleagues from the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) supplement it with economic data that shows what early vulnerability is costing the BC economy. In a report commissioned by the Business Council of BC, HELP revealed that the current level of vulnerability will cost BC 20% in GDP growth over the next 60 years—an amount equal to 10 times the provincial debt load. Accepting the current level of vulnerability is throwing away (today) more than \$400 billion from the BC economy, along with the interest it would earn over the next 60 years.

The Government of BC has committed to lowering the provincial rate of early vulnerability to 15% by fiscal year 2015. This goal is both commendable and achievable on the path to reducing early vulnerability to 10% by 2020. Dr. Kershaw's keynote address will provide a costing for the public policy changes required to achieve the BC Government's target. Substantial public investment in early learning and care services is a key component of a broader suite of policies that will support families with the time, resources, and community services they need to rear healthy, happy children now and into the future.

Dr. Paul Kershaw is a farmer morning and night, and an academic by day. He is one of Canada's leading thinkers about family policy, and he has received two national prizes from the Canadian Political Science Association for his work on gender and politics. Dr. Kershaw is at the cutting edge of research about early childhood care and education, arguing that it is important for social justice, gender equality, citizenship, population health, and economic growth. At the University of British Columbia, he is the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) Scholar in Social Care, Citizenship, and the Determinants of Health where he serves as the director of the Social Care and Social Citizenship Research Network and co-director of the Early Learning and Child Care Research Unit. Dr. Kershaw lives at Homecoming Farm, Pitt Meadows, BC, in traditional Katzie territory.





SATURDAY LUNCHTIME KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

Finding Our Voice Through Leadership

Presented by participants in ECEBC's 2009 Leadership Initiative

Saturday, May 29, 12:00 noon

Throughout 2009, 8 Communities of Innovation from across BC participated in the first year of ECEBC's Leadership Initiative. Through a collective keynote address, early childhood educators from each of the 8 communities will tell their stories of the inspiring process and how the experience had a profound impact on them. This presentation will highlight these unique leadership projects that built on the strengths, skills, and values of their home communities. They will explain how, through these projects, they built upon ECE leadership capacity, raised the profile of and re-

spect for early childhood educators' work, and began to create an ECE culture of leadership.

These Leadership Initiative participants are a great representation of how ECEs can expand their possibilities and inspire others through leadership within their own communities. We invite members of our province's ECE community to seize the opportunity to build on these roots of leadership.



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2009 Leadership Initiative participants and instructors.





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A Sessions, Friday 10:15 am to 12:15 pm (see pages 10 to 11)

- A1 Storytelling for Young Children (*Jane Cobb*)
- A2 Big Science for Little Hands (*Katie McMahon & Sandy Eix*)
- A3 United Voice for Child Care (*Ursula Clark*)
- A4 Images of Learning: Using Documentation and Reflective Practice in Your Program (*Kim Atkinson & Danielle Davis*)
- A5 Building a Culture of ECE Leadership (*Rita Chudnovsky*)
- A6 The Facts and Figures You Need to Teach the Key 15 by 15 Messages in Your Community (*Paul Kershaw*)
- A7 Remembering to Play—Creativity, Engagement, and Self Care (Part 1 of a 2-part workshop) (*Vince Gowmon*)
- A8 Seamless Transitions to Kindergarten: Our Community's Experience (*Charlene Gray & Colleen Friendship*)
- A9 Little Ones Love Stories of Themselves! (*Beth Hutchinson*)

B Sessions, Friday 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm (see pages 12 to 13)

- B1 Child Care IS Early Learning (*Rita Chudnovsky*)
- B2 The Period of PURPLE Crying: A Province-Wide Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention Initiative (*Claire Yambao*)
- B3 Circle Time Tool Box (*Allan Hirsch*)
- B4 Seamless Transitions to Kindergarten: Our Community's Experience (*Charlene Gray & Colleen Friendship*)
- B5 Little Ones Love Stories of Themselves! (*Beth Hutchinson*)
- B6 Supporting Preschool Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (*Lianne Naguiat*)
- B7 Remembering to Play—Creativity, Engagement, and Self Care (Part 2 of a 2-part workshop) (*Vince Gowmon*)

- B8 Rhymes and Songs for Babies and Toddlers (*Jane Cobb*)
- B9 Creating a Rich Sensory Environment for Infants (*Ward Nakata*)

C Sessions, Saturday 8:30 am to 10:00 am (see pages 14 to 15)

- C1 What Matters to Young Children in Their Outdoor Play Environments: A Scandinavian Approach (*Helle Burlingame*)
- C2 Post-structuralism in Early Childhood Education Practices (*Kirsten Ho Chan*)
- C3 Celebrating Diversity with Great Picture Books (*Carolyn Hart*)
- C4 Exploring and Creating Beautiful Stuff—Inspired by Reggio Emilia Approach (*Pooja Kalsi*)
- C5 Effective Leadership (*Marc Tatanasci Lalonde*)
- C6 Creating Health through Food, Sound, and Rhythm (*Keith Condliffe*)
- C7 Letting Dramatic Play Take Centre Stage (*Kimberley Perkins*)
- C8 Looking Back: How the Inspiration of Reggio Emilia Has Caused Our Practice to Evolve (*Bev Superle*)
- C9 Learning to Love the Questions: Implementing an Emergent, Inquiry-based Curriculum (*Melanie Castro Shibaoka, Marina Giovanazzo, Cristina Primerano, and Rachel Rosen*)
- C10 Puppets Alive (*Linda Pearce*)

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- D1 From Advocacy to Activism (*Caroline Kent, Ruth Bancroft, Randi Gurholt-Seary, & Gyda Chud*)
- D2 How Motor Development Impacts Learning In Infants (*Christine Roberts*)
- D3 Exploring and Creating Beautiful Stuff—Inspired by Reggio Emilia Approach (*Pooja Kalsi*)
- D4 Sing and Sign with Me (*Kim Brown*)
- D5 Proactive Resolutions (*Marc Tatanasci Lalonde*)
- D6 Move Over Praise! Using Encouragement to Support Children in Preschool Settings (*Julia Black*)
- D7 Ouch! That Hurts! Redirecting the Punch (*Teresa Bouchard*)
- D8 Rhythmic Art: It Takes a Rhythm to Raise a Child! (Part 1 of a 2-part workshop) (*Angela Roy*)
- D9 Rethinking Materials: Delving Into Their Potential for Learning (*Roni Cahen & Joanne Brown*)
- D10 Edible Gardening with Children (*Maria Varju*)

E Sessions, Saturday 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm (see pages 17 to 18)

- E1 How Motor Development Impacts Learning In Infants (*Christine Roberts*)
- E2 Sign Me a Story (*Kim Brown*)
- E3 Engaging Mothers in Children's Healing (*Marlene Bell*)
- E4 Starting the Great Conversation: The Art of Storytelling (*Kathleen McMillan*)
- E5 Creating a Vision for Staff Interactions (*Marc Tatanasci Lalonde*)
- E6 Edible Gardening with Children (*Maria Varju*)
- E7 Empowering Our Children: Using Power in Productive and Positive Ways (*Teresa Bouchard*)
- E8 Rhythmic Art: It Takes a Rhythm to Raise a Child! (Part 2 of a 2-part workshop) (*Angela Roy*)
- E9 Natural Connections in Learning: Are We Looking in the Right Places? (*Jessica Hrechka Fee*)
- E10 Creating a Rich Sensory Environment for Infants (*Ward Nakata*)



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A SESSIONS, FRIDAY 10:15 AM TO 12:15 PM

A1 Storytelling for Young Children

Learn some tried-and-true interactive folktales that you can use during circle time and throughout the day to engage, delight, amuse, and teach young children. Whether you have had previous storytelling experience or not, this workshop will build your confidence and give you a rationale for the enormous benefits of oral storytelling for you and for the children in your care. There will be handouts to take away.

Presenter: Jane Cobb is an author, children's librarian, storyteller, and Parent-Child Mother Goose Program teacher trainer.

A2 Big Science for Little Hands

Early childhood educators provide many creative opportunities for young children to explore and discover their world. In this workshop, you'll have the opportunity to try out a selection of hands-on science activities for young children from Science World resource packages. We'll share our experiences doing science with young children, and discuss how the activities might work in your setting.

Presenters: Katie McMahon is the program developer in the Community Engagement Department at Science World. Sandy Eix is a science learning lead at Science World.

A3 United Voice for Child Care

This workshop will include a PowerPoint presentation of a brief history of BCGEU and its current activities. There will be a discussion with participants on moving forward.

Presenter: Ursula Clark is a BCGEU staff representative, a member of BCGEU, and a child care activist.

A4 Images of Learning: Using Documentation and Reflective Practice in Your Program

Kim and Danielle will lead you through their journey through the conception of "The Images of Learning Project," in which they implemented theories of documentation into their programs. This workshop will inspire you to have a more reflective approach and to begin your own ways of making learning visible.

Presenters: Kim Atkinson and Danielle Davis are both participants in the 2009 Leadership Initiative through ECEBC and the project coordinators for The Images of Learning Project.

A5 Building a Culture of ECE Leadership

As part of the first two years of ECEBC's Leadership Initiative, ECEBC developed a number of intensive Leadership Institutes. At this workshop, Rita will share highlights from these Institutes and engage participants in activities that develop ECEs' confidence to take their gifts and culture out to the larger community.

Presenter: Rita Chudnovsky is the coordinator of ECEBC's Leadership Initiative. She brings over 25 years of active involvement in teaching and advocacy for and with BC early childhood educators.

A6 The Facts and Figures You Need to Teach the Key 15 by 15 Messages in Your Community

Are you excited by the keynote address? Do you want to understand the details behind the economic analysis showing what child vulnerability costs the BC economy? If so, come to this workshop. Dr. Kershaw will support participants to become more comfortable to advocate for 15 by 15 in their own communities.

Presenter: Dr. Paul Kershaw. See bio on page 6.



A/B7 Remembering to Play—Inspiring Creativity, Engagement, and Self Care (Part 1 of a 2-Part Workshop)

When we remember to play, we reconnect to our original passion for being an early childhood educator, the joy of creative engagement, and the unlimited nature of our imagination. In this interactive session you will participate in activities that support you to:

- Explore the 5 principles of being a good play traveller
- Stretch your imagination and creative muscles
- Learn engaging communication skills
- Explore personal play values and learn activities that promote collaboration and learning for children

Presenter: Vince Gowmon is the founder of Remembering to Play Events, and is a certified professional life coach.

This is a 2-part workshop. Participants must register for both A7 and B7.

A8 Seamless Transitions to Kindergarten: Our Community's Experience

Find out how ECEs and kindergarten teachers in the Comox Valley collaborated over the past 2 years to ensure smooth transitions

to kindergarten. Participants will learn about the latest research on kindergarten transitions and have an opportunity to develop a framework they can use in their own communities to promote joint professional awareness, collaboration, and transition strategies that are beneficial to all.

Presenter: Charlene Gray is a preschool supervisor. As co-chair of the Comox Valley ECEBC Branch, she is a member of the Early Years Interagency Council and School District 71's Early Years Steering Committee. Colleen Friendship is a StrongStart facilitator and co-chair of the Kindergarten/Grade 1 Teacher Association in School District 71.

A9 Little Ones Love Stories of Themselves!

Babies and very young children love stories about themselves. As we tell stories, the connections between us grow, as do cognitive, social, and linguistic abilities. Being able to create stories in a moment and adapting to the individual child or to the group of children is an ability that we can develop. This interactive session will introduce ways to create stories in response to the children.

Presenter: Beth Hutchinson is the provincial coordinator of the Parent-Child Mother Goose Program in BC.



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B SESSIONS, FRIDAY 1:30 PM TO 3:30 PM

B1 Child Care IS Early Learning

This workshop will engage participants in a discussion about what a seamless system of early care and learning that meets the needs of BC children, families, and communities would look like. Using BC's plan to introduce full school-day kindergarten for 5- and 4-year-olds as a starting place, we will explore how best to ensure this happens in ways that respect, value, and integrate quality child care and the ECEs who deliver it.

Presenter: Rita Chudnovsky is a long-time child care advocate currently facilitating a joint project of the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC and ECEBC to develop a community-based vision for a truly seamless BC system of early care and learning.

B2 The Period of PURPLE Crying: A Province-Wide Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention Initiative

The Period of PURPLE Crying: A New Way to Understand your Baby's Crying is a province-wide initiative to create a cultural change in the way society understands what normal increased infant crying means and to prevent shaken baby syndrome (SBS) and infant abuse. Crying is the most common stimulus to shaking and physical abuse and is the leading cause of serious head injury in children aged 2 and under. This session will include a presentation, 2 short films, and discussion periods. Participants will receive resource packets for their reference.

Presenter: Claire Yambao has been the program educator and information specialist for Prevent Shaken Baby Syndrome BC since 2006.

B3 Circle Time Tool Box

This is a workshop that covers almost every possible activity that can be done with young children at circle time. We will explore a teacher's essential tools—music, movement, puppets, storytelling, play, rhymes, poetry, and more. Active play for teachers too!

Presenter: Allan Hirsch, aka Alleyoop, is a teacher educator and children's entertainer who has won Parent's Choice Awards for children's audio.

B4 Seamless Transitions to Kindergarten: Our Community's Experience

This is a repeat session. See A8 for workshop description.

B5 Little Ones Love Stories of Themselves!

This is a repeat session. See A9 for workshop description.

B6 Supporting Preschool Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

How can you maximize the learning experience of children with ASD in the preschool? This workshop will discuss strategies on how to engage children with ASD in specific preschool activities, identify some challenges in supporting children in this setting, and develop ideas on how to manage these challenges. Participants will also learn about resources available for parents, ECEs, and all others who support children with ASD.

Presenter: Lianne Naguiat is an information officer with the Autism Community Training Society. She is currently working as a behaviour interventionist for children with ASD at a preschool.



A/B7 Remembering to Play—Inspiring Creativity, Engagement, and Self Care (Part 2 of a 2-part workshop)

See A7 for workshop description.

This is a 2-part workshop. Participants must register for both A7 and B7.

B8 Rhymes and Songs for Babies and Toddlers

Babies and toddlers love to communicate with us, especially when we use the beautiful language, rhythm, and touch of traditional nursery rhymes, songs, and stories. This playful language provides pleasure in the moment for both caregiver and child, and it lays the foundations for our babies' language, brain, social, and emotional development. Come sing and play as Jane teaches you some rhymes and talks about the importance of this play for babies' development. There will be handouts to take away.

Presenter: Jane Cobb is an author, children's librarian, storyteller, and Parent-Child Mother Goose Program teacher trainer.

B9 Creating a Rich Sensory Environment for Infants

This workshop examines ways in which infants learn through their senses, and how the senses are interconnected. These sensory connections are the infant's building blocks for increasingly complex thoughts and concepts that develop throughout childhood. We will explore how we as child care providers can enhance the infant's opportunities for sensory learning through thoughtful practice, using natural elements, and a variety of simple props and equipment.

Presenter: Ward Nakata, ECE, has worked in child care for over 16 years. He is currently employed at UBC Child Care Services at Little Goslings Infant Centre.



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C SESSIONS, SATURDAY 8:30 AM TO 10:00 AM

C1 What Matters to Young Children in Their Outdoor Play Environments: A Scandinavian Approach

This workshop will present 3 child care centre studies of 2 Scandinavian and 1 American child care centre and examine their unique approaches to outdoor healthy play. Participants will explore the teachers' pedagogical methods and how their child care centres provide rich and diverse outdoor environments to give children ample opportunity for physical movement and learning.

Presenter: Helle Burlingame, Cand. Psych., is an educator, author, and Scandinavian-educated psychologist.

C2 Post-structuralism in Early Childhood Education Practices

This workshop will present the collaborative processes and negotiations with early childhood educators and academic researchers involved in the Investigating Quality Project and the BC Early Learning Framework Project. In addition, examples from international child care models and discourses from Sweden, Italy, and New Zealand will be presented. This session provides participants with an opportunity to learn about these innovative research projects and engage in discussion about quality child care that best serves the well-being and optimal development of children.

Presenter: Kirsten Ho Chan, MA, is the project coordinator at the Unit for Early Learning and Child Care Research at the University of Victoria.

C3 Celebrating Diversity with Great Picture Books

Discovering children's books that reflect our communities' cultural, linguistic, family, gender, and individual diversity can be a challenge. This workshop introduces numerous picture books that celebrate our diversity. As well, strategies for using these books to enhance your program will be explored.

Presenter: Carolyn Hart, B.Ed., is the BC regional officer for the Canadian Children's Book Centre.

C4 Exploring and Creating Beautiful Stuff—Inspired by Reggio Emilia Approach

This hands-on workshop will explore ways to guide children in exploring and creating meaningful experiences with collage materials. The Reggio-inspired approach and the focus on process versus product will be discussed. The teachers will become aware of the joy and value of observation, documentation, and collaboration.

Presenter: Pooja Kalsi, MEd, is a manager for Options Surrey Community Services and an instructor at Surrey College.

C5 Effective Leadership

This session will explore the difference between managing and leading, which both have their uses. This lecture will focus on how leaders are surrounded by people who choose to follow them to greater achievements. Participants will learn how to facilitate, support, and empower staff to reach higher goals and create future leaders in their organizations.

Presenter: Marc Tatanasci Lalonde, ECE, BA, is the manager for Tsleil-Waututh Child and Family Development Centre.

**C6 Creating Health through Food, Sound, and Rhythm**

In this workshop, participants experience the connections between food and body rhythms, sound and healing, and sleep and intuition, through a series of play-based activities. These connections enlighten daily challenges in the developing minds of young people. Rediscover 7 simple ways to support healthy immune system development in children, and self-care among caregivers.

Presenter: Keith Condliffe is a naturopathic doctor (ND), who founded the Awen Health Centre in Vancouver and has a special interest in children's health.

C7 Letting Dramatic Play Take Centre Stage

Research shows children use dramatic play to expand their knowledge of the world. Yet this type of play is often underused in child care centres. Find new ideas on how to facilitate this exciting occurrence in your centre. Come for an informative lecture, discussion, and take-home project that will inspire dramatic play.

Presenter: Kimberley Perkins is a preschool teacher and ECE student who has written and directed several community plays.

C8 Looking Back: How the Inspiration of Reggio Emilia Has Caused Our Practice to Evolve

Through a PowerPoint presentation and other documentation, participants will learn how one person's study of the schools of Reggio Emilia inspired her and her colleagues to change the way they worked with children.

Presenter: Bev Superle is the coordinator at Mt. Seymour Preschool in North Vancouver. Her interest in the Reggio approach has inspired her and the staff at the preschool to work in a responsive way with children and design a curriculum from children's interests and needs.

C9 Learning to Love the Questions: Implementing an Emergent, Inquiry-based Curriculum

Explore the benefits of an emergent, inquiry-based curriculum. Brentwood educators will present a project driven by questions proposed by children, teachers, and families. The workshop will provide a forum for thinking about the tensions and challenges in putting this approach into practice. Participants will gain an understanding of inquiry-based learning as an engaging process that builds on children's curiosities, values the knowledge and interests of children, and promotes life-long dispositions for learning.

Presenters: Melanie Castro Shibaoka, Marina Giovanazzo, Cristina Primerano, and Rachel Rosen are educators of Brentwood Nursery School, winners of the 2009 Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Early Childhood Education.

C10 Puppets Alive

The workshop demonstrates ways to add puppetry to interactions with children. Learn how they can be used as visuals for songs and stories, help behaviour, encourage participation, model self-help skills, or give a sense of fun. Practise manipulation and character development and pick up new ideas for starting and building a repertoire and collection.

Presenter: Linda Pearce taught kindergarten to grade 3 for 21 years and has her ECE training. She has taught children's art and adult workshops in drawing, painting, fibre, and puppetry.





D SESSIONS, SATURDAY 10:30 AM TO 12:00 PM

D1 From Advocacy to Activism

BC's early childhood educators have come to appreciate the critical role of advocacy for our sector and the families we serve. Join us to explore the state of child care advocacy, examine key issues affecting our community, discuss advocacy approaches, and develop strategies to move from advocacy to activism!

Presenters: Caroline Kent, Ruth Bancroft, and Randi Gurholt-Seary are well-respected frontline ECEs and board members of the CCCABC. Gyda Chud is a long-time advocate and CCCABC Board member.

D2 How Motor Development Impacts Learning In Infants

Infant motor development is essential for gaining skills and knowledge in each of the learning domains. This interactive workshop (part dancing, part lecture demonstration) will explore the caregiver's role in supporting motor development and how motor actions facilitate cognitive functioning, social interaction, emotional regulation, and self-help skills.

Presenter: Christine Roberts, BFA, is a teacher who founded Nurturing Pathways, a creative dance program for young children.

D3 Exploring and Creating Beautiful Stuff—Inspired by Reggio Emilia Approach

This is a repeat session. See C4 for workshop description.

D4 Sing and Sign with Me

Come and have fun singing and signing a variety of children's songs. Singing and signing is an inclusive and fun activity to do in any child care centre, and it facilitates language development.

Presenter: Kim Brown, ECE, BA, has taught sign vocabulary for many years and has been hard of hearing since 1988.

D5 Proactive Resolutions

Learn how to deal with sensitive issues before conflicts arise. In this session, participants will learn how to create win-win solutions through non-violent communication. A short practice session will follow.

Presenter: Marc Tatanasci Lalonde, ECE, BA, is the manager for Tsleil-Waututh Child and Family Development Centre.

D6 Move Over Praise! Using Encouragement to Support Children in Preschool Settings

Participants will learn why encouragement is more effective than praise in improving children's self-worth and self-esteem. They will discover how to move from praising children to encouraging them by using 3 easy-to-implement support strategies. This workshop will combine lecture with video examples and group work to explore this fundamental aspect of adult-child interactions within the High/Scope classroom.

Julia Black, ECE, BA, MBA, is the coordinator for the Putting Children First ECD Initiative.

D7 Ouch! That Hurts! Redirecting the Punch

Do you have children who have difficulty managing their anger and can be aggressive? Want some practical and effective strategies and resources that will help these children learn safe and acceptable ways to express and release their feelings that are not hurtful to others, property, or to themselves? Let's help them find their control switches and support them to develop self-control, self-discipline, and to use their power in helpful, rather than hurtful, ways.

Presenter: Teresa Bouchard is an occupational therapist, wife, and mother of 2 young boys.



**D/E8 Rhythmic Art: It Takes a Rhythm to Raise a Child!
(Part 1 of a 2-part workshop)**

Through a progression of rhythmic games, vocal and body percussion activities, movement exercises, songs, and drumming exercises, participants will experience and learn about world music. During Part 2 (Session E8), participants will make and take their own percussion rhythm instruments. We will create and adapt rhythm and songs for these interactive creations to use in your programs! If you have a glue gun, bring it.

Presenter: Angela Roy is the founder of Expression, a rhythmic art program based on her years of experience as a performing artist and educator. She recently released the CD Unity Child.

This is a 2-part workshop. Participants must register for both D8 and E8.

D9 Rethinking Materials: Delving Into Their Potential for Learning

This hands-on workshop will help participants explore how found objects can be presented to children in aesthetic ways as invitations to learning. Participants will see many examples of how “non-toys” can support children’s creativity and knowledge.

Presenter: Roni Cahen is an instructor and co-coordinator in the Burnaby Community and Continuing Education ECE Program. Joanne Brown is an ECE instructor.

D10 Edible Gardening with Children

In this fun hands-on workshop we will explore gardening with children. From planning what to grow, learning how to care for the plants, spending time outside, and eating the fruits of our labours, children have lots to gain from gardening. We will discuss plants that grow well in planters, raised beds, and traditional garden spaces. We will look at options for year-round and school-year gardens as well as ways to grow organically.

Presenter: Maria Varju, B.Sc., is an educator and facilitator with a background in science.

E SESSIONS, SATURDAY, 1:30 PM TO 3:00 PM

E1 How Motor Development Impacts Learning In Infants

This is a repeat session. See D2 for workshop description.

E2 Sign Me a Story

Stories are a fundamental part of a child’s life. Spice it up by telling the story in sign. The children enjoy imitating and participating with these stories. Signing stories is also an inclusive activity, it can help facilitate language development, and it’s fun!

Presenter: Kim Brown, ECE, BA, has taught sign vocabulary for many years and has been hard of hearing since 1988.

E3 Engaging Mothers in Children’s Healing

Through a PowerPoint presentation and discussion, this workshop explores strategies to engage mothers in supporting children’s healing with families who have experienced domestic violence. We will also explore how we can best support mothers in shelters or community agencies.

Presenter: Marlene Bell is an ECE and has been working with families for over 25 years, most recently designing and implementing programs to engage mothers in children’s healing in domestic violence shelters.

E4 Starting the Great Conversation: The Art of Storytelling

When seen through the eyes of a young child, the world is full of new things to explore and understand. We have the delightful job of introducing them to the gift of language: the exchange of ideas from generation to generation that becomes the Great Conversation. This workshop will look at how to choose stories children will love and give practical ideas on how to prepare and explore your role as communicator through story.

Presenter: Kathleen McMillan, ECE, is a preschool teacher and children’s author who recently published her first children’s book.





E5 Creating a Vision for Staff Interactions

Experts in the field of leadership all agree on how effective vision guides organizations. This is a lecture format on how to facilitate staff ownership in creating a vision based on how to interact with each other. By using effective wording metaphors, leaders will gain staff enthusiasm and facilitate a respectful, collaborative process. This will then ensure all staff will be guided by principles they establish.

Presenter: Marc Tatanasci Lalonde is the manager of Tsleil-Waututh Child and Family Development Centre.

E6 Edible Gardening with Children

This is a repeat session. See D10 for workshop description.

E7 Empowering Our Children: Using Power in Productive and Positive Ways

Do you find yourself struggling for power? Do you feel like fighting or giving in? Learn how to empower yourself and your children. In this engaging, interactive session Teresa will offer you practical and effective strategies to turn conflict into win-win situations. Learn the differences between power and control and discover how true power comes from within.

Presenter: Teresa Bouchard is an occupational therapist, wife, and mother of 2 young boys.

D/E8 Rhythmic Art: It Takes a Rhythm to Raise a Child! (Part 2 of a 2-part workshop)

See D8 for workshop description.

This is a 2-part session. Participants must register for both D8 and E8.

E9 Natural Connections in Learning: Are We Looking in the Right Places?

This interactive workshop will provide insight into the ecology of an early learning environment. Participants will explore their own ecology and how it affects their practice. They will also explore the ecology of the children and families as learners in an early learning environment. The discovery of connections will provide participants with a fresh perspective on the power of relationships, the learning environment, and the possibilities of what their roles could be!

Presenter: Jessica Hrechka Fee is the coordinator and a professor in the ECE program at Northwest Community College.

E10 Creating a Rich Sensory Environment for Infants

This is a repeat session. See B9 for workshop description.



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ECEBC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



If you are not a member of ECEBC, there's never been a better time to join!

By joining now, you can take advantage of the great savings members receive on their conference fees. And you'll also receive a whole year's worth of other great benefits: 4 issues of the journal, *The Early Childhood Educator*; the Code of Ethics; members' prices on ECEBC publications; and most importantly, the knowledge that you are part of an organization advancing early childhood education and educators. Members count!

Membership Categories (check one)

Full Member – has an Early Childhood Educator's Licence to Practice from the Provincial Community Care Facilities Branch (*copy of Licence required with application*). Eligible to vote on provincial issues at the Annual General Meeting.

Student Member – is in the process of becoming professionally qualified in the field of early childhood or is in the process of completing 500 hours of work experience (*signature of instructor/supervisor required on application*).

Associate Member – holds post-secondary certification (certificate, diploma, degree) in a related field or has been a full member of ECEBC and is now retired from the ECE field.

Member Information

Name

Address

City/Prov/Postal Code

Home Phone

Work Phone

E-mail

Place of Employment

Signature

Signature of Instructor (students only)

Referred by

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New Full \$120.75 (\$10.07 monthly)
(\$115 + \$5.75 GST = \$120.75)

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Renew Student \$94.50 (\$7.88 monthly)
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Payment Options

Cheque (payable to ECEBC)

VISA MasterCard

Card no.

Expiry date

Name of card holder

Signature

ECEBC has a pre-authorized monthly payment option. Download a form from www.ecebc.ca.

You can also sign up to become a member online at www.ecebc.ca.





CONFERENCE 2010 REGISTRATION FEES

Membership Category	Early Bird Rate (until April 23)	Rate After April 23, 2010
ECEBC members (full & associate)		
2-day registration	\$ 267.75 (\$255 + \$12.75 GST)	\$336.00 (\$320 + \$16.00 GST)
1-day registration	\$ 168.00 (\$160 + \$8.00 GST)	\$210.00 (\$200 + \$10.00 GST)
Student ECEBC members		
2-day registration	\$ 199.50 (\$190 + \$9.50 GST)	\$ 246.75 (\$235 + \$11.75 GST)
1-day registration	\$ 126.00 (\$120 + \$6.00 GST)	\$ 157.50 (\$150 + \$7.50 GST)
Non-members of ECEBC		
2-day registration	\$ 483.00 (\$460 + \$23.00 GST)	\$ 603.75 (\$575 + \$28.75 GST)
1-day registration	\$ 336.00 (\$320 + \$16.00 GST)	\$ 420.00 (\$400 + \$20.00 GST)

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Registration fees include sit-down lunch buffets on both Friday and Saturday.

Register online and save \$10.50 on your registration! www.ecebc.ca to register online.

Register Early and Win!

If you register by April 23, 2010, your name will be entered into a draw to win a brunch for 2 at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel.

Sit-Down Hot Lunch Buffet

Registration fees include a sit-down hot lunch buffet prepared by the Sheraton Hotel's top chefs.

How to Register for the Conference

1. To get the best workshop selection, register online at www.ecebc.ca (follow the links). It is a secure credit card registration.
2. To register by mail, complete the Registration Form on the next page and send the form with cheque or money order to: Early Childhood Educators of BC
2774 East Broadway
Vancouver, BC V5M 1Y8
3. To register by fax, fax the Registration Form on the next page to ECEBC at 604-709-6077. You must supply a credit card number.

Registrations are on a first-come-first-served basis. No telephone registrations will be accepted.

For conference information, contact Alison Eagles
Tel: 604-709-6063, ext. 6 / Toll-free: 1-800-797-5602
E-mail: conference.ecebc@look.ca

Cancellation Policy

Registration fees, less a \$40 administrative fee, will be refunded if a cancellation request is received in writing by April 23, 2010. After this date, registration fees are non-refundable.

Membership Information

Not an ECEBC member? You can join ECEBC and be eligible for conference membership rates quickly and easily. Visit www.ecebc.ca to register or contact ECEBC at 604-709-6063 ext. 1 / Toll-free: 1-800-797-5602
E-mail: ecebc@direct.ca, Fax: 604-709-6077.

Volunteer Opportunities at the Conference

If you are interested in volunteering your time at Conference, we've got lots of great opportunities for you, including directional hosting, information, on-site registration, speakers' assistants, and more. For more information, contact Denise Marshall at deni137@hotmail.com.

ECEBC CONFERENCE 2010 REGISTRATION FORM



Register using our online system at www.ecebc.ca and get \$10.50 off your registration fees!

To register by mail or fax, fill out a separate form for each registrant. Please print clearly and keep a copy for your records. To claim ECEBC member's rate for Conference 2010, your ECEBC membership must be valid as of May 29, 2010.

Participant Information

Last name		First name	Centre/Organization
Address		City/Province	Postal code
Home phone	Work phone	Fax	E-mail

Session Registration Instructions

Space is limited in many workshops so register early for best selection.

Indicate on the grid below your first, second, and third choices for sessions.

Workshops are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis once full payment is received by ECEBC. We will inform you which sessions you have been assigned in your confirmation letter. If you are registering for LTAT, only register for Saturday sessions here.

Day & Session	1st choice	2nd choice	3rd choice
Friday (A sessions)			
Friday (B sessions)			
Saturday (C sessions)			
Saturday (D sessions)			
Saturday (E sessions)			

Send Registration Form and Payment to:

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Fax: 604-709-6077 (To register by fax you must supply a credit card number.)

Method of Payment

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Card no. _____

Expiry date _____

Name of card holder _____

Signature _____

Registration Fees

Conference Registration Fee (see page 20) \$ _____
(includes lunch)

Pre-Conference Let's Talk About Touching
Teacher Training \$267.75 (incl. GST) \$ _____

Friday Night Gala @ \$50/ticket (incl. GST) \$ _____

IKEA Shopping Trip @ \$15/ticket (incl. GST) \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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ECEBC CONFERENCE TRAVEL BURSARY APPLICATION FORM

The ECEBC Board has earmarked \$10,000 from Endowment Funds to be used to offset the cost of delegates travelling to the ECEBC Conference in May 2010. The amounts disbursed to conference attendees in each geographical area will vary since some areas are more prohibitive due to high travel costs. Below is a breakdown of how the bursary funds will be distributed throughout the province:

Lower Mainland: \$500

Southern Vancouver Island: \$750

Northern Vancouver Island: \$750

Interior: \$2,000

Kootenays: \$3,000

North: \$3,000

If you would like to apply for the travel bursary, please fill out the application form below and return it to the ECEBC office by **April 23, 2010**. Please note that funds are limited, so not all applicants are guaranteed a bursary. Approved applicants will be contacted by e-mail by May 7, 2010 with further details of the actual bursary amount. If you are accepted, all receipts of travel costs will be required.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Child Care Facility: _____

Mailing address (include postal code): _____

How would you maximize these funds to attend the 2010 conference? (carpooling, bus charter, etc.)

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ACCOMMODATION



ABOUT THE HOTELS

To accommodate the expanding needs of the ECEBC Conference, we have booked meeting spaces in the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel (formerly the Best Western Hotel and Convention Centre) and in the adjoining Vancouver Airport Marriott Hotel, located next door to the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel. Both hotels offer discounted rates to ECEBC Conference delegates.

In the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel's revitalized lobby, guests can enjoy free Wi-Fi, desktop computers, television, newspapers, magazines, and Starbucks coffee. The hotel's restaurant, Harold's, has recently been re-conceptualized. This new casual restaurant and lounge offers contemporary cuisine.

TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM

To reserve accommodation at either the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel or the Vancouver Airport Marriott Hotel please contact them directly. Rooms and suites are available to ECEBC delegates at a reduced conference rate. When making reservations, please identify yourself as part of the Early Childhood Educators of BC group.

In order to guarantee your space at the hotel and receive the reduced conference rate, your accommodation reservations must be made by **Monday, May 3, 2010**. After this date, reservations can be made on an availability basis and at the best available rate.

Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel
7551 Westminster Highway, Richmond, BC
Tel: 1-866-716-8101 or 604-273-7878
www.sheratonvancouverairport.com

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www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/yvrsa

GETTING TO RICHMOND

By Air

The Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel and Vancouver Airport Marriott Hotel are just 10 minutes from the Vancouver International Airport, and both hotels provide complimentary shuttle service from the airport to the hotels. The shuttles depart from the airport every 30 minutes at 10 minutes past the hour and 20 minutes to the hour.

Air Canada / Air Canada Jazz
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www.aircanada.ca or www.flyjazz.ca

WestJet
1-800-538-5696
www.westjet.com

By Coach

Greyhound serves most communities in the province. Call your local Greyhound station for more information on times and fares from your area to Richmond or visit www.greyhound.ca.

Public Transit

If you are travelling by public transit, you can get detailed information on transit schedules in the Richmond area by calling TransLink at 604-953-3333 or visiting their web site at www.translink.bc.ca.

By Car

Located on Westminster Highway in Richmond, both hotels are easily accessible by car or public transit. If you are driving, there is pay parking in the hotel parking lots for delegates during the conference. A map of Richmond is on the back cover of this booklet.

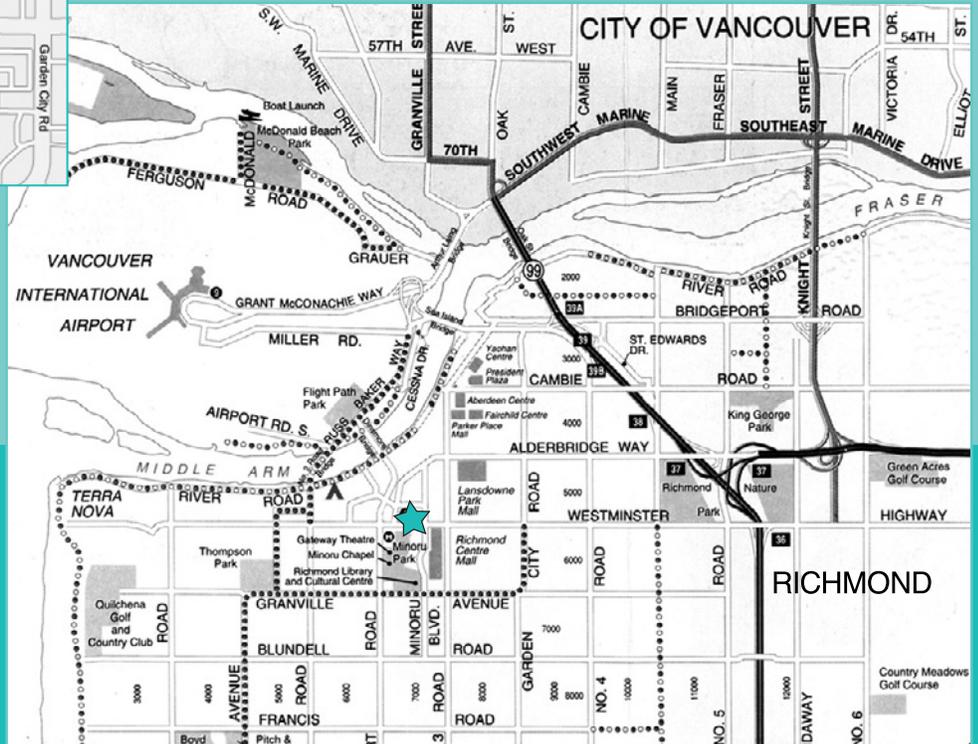
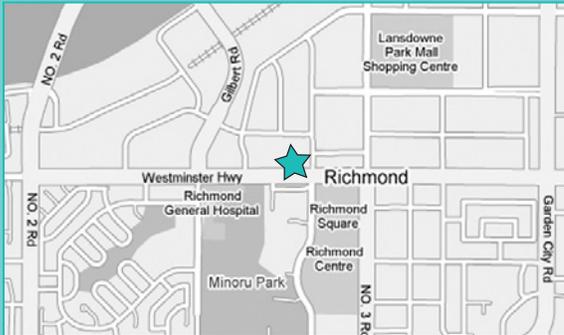
Parking

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