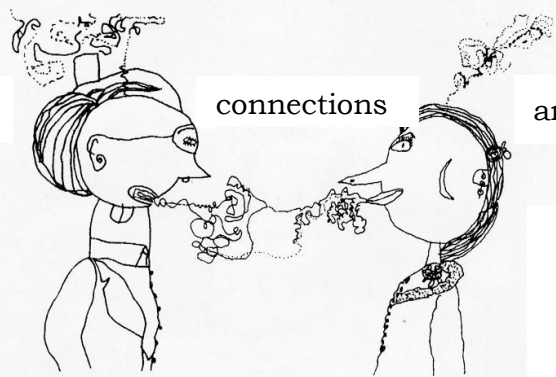


**Learning,**



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Feinstein School of Education and Human Development  
Early Childhood Education Program  
Rhode Island College in Providence, Rhode Island  
Lella Gandini, Karen Haigh, & Kristin Brizzolara

Drawing by 5 year old children from Reggio Emilia preschools

## **Program**

\*Program may be subject to change

### **Thursday, October 29, 2009**

- 4:30–5:30 p.m. Registration and reception
- 5:30–6:00 p.m. Greetings and introductions
- 6:00–7:30 p.m. Keynote: The Fundamental Values of the Reggio Emilia Approach - Lella Gandini  
The Interpretation of the Fundamental Principles of Reggio Emilia within Chicago Area Programs - Karen Haigh

### **Friday, October 30, 2009**

- 8:00–9:00 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast
- 9:00–9:30 a.m. Greetings and introductions
- 9:30–11:00 a.m. Keynote: Listening, Observation, Documentation and Interpretation: Constructing Meaningful and Respectful Learning Experiences - Lella Gandini & Karen Haigh
- 11:00–11:15 a.m. Break
- 11:15–12:30 p.m. Break-out sessions: Reflections with facilitators using guiding questions.
- 12:30–1:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30–2:30 p.m. Keynote: The Role of the Teachers and Children as Partners in Learning and Research: Stories of Explorations and Inquiry - Karen Haigh
- 2:30–3:00 p.m. Discussion on the role of the teacher
- 3:00–3:15 p.m. Break
- 3:15–4:30 p.m. Keynote: Literacy in Reggio Emilia and Chicago Programs for Young Children - Lella Gandini & Karen Haigh
- 4:30 p.m. Close - Conference Evaluations, Pick up Certificates and CEU's

## **Saturday, October 31, 2009**

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast  
9:00-9:30 a.m. Greetings and introductions  
9:30-10:30 a.m. Keynote: Professional Development in Reggio Emilia - Lella Gandini  
Professional Development in the Schools for Young Children in the Chicago Area - Karen Haigh  
10:30-10:45 a.m. Break  
10:45-12:30 p.m. Experience with Exploration of a Material with Hands, Eyes, and Mind – Kristin Brizzolara  
12:30-1:45 p.m. Working Lunch/Panel Discussion  
Panel discussion: Connecting the Values of Early Education in Reggio Emilia with the Fundamental Ideas of the Hundred Languages  
1:45-3:00 p.m. The Wonder of Learning: Paper - Lella Gandini  
Painting & Dance - Karen Haigh  
3:00 p.m. Close – Conference Evaluations, Pick up Certificates and CEU's

### **College Credit**

In order to obtain credit, it is necessary to register for and attend the entire 3 day Institute. Additional work including readings, reflections and a paper will be required depending on the number of credits. A syllabus will be provided. For further information, please contact Dr. Mary Ellen McGuire-Schwartz at [MMcguire@ric.edu](mailto:MMcguire@ric.edu)

### **Directions to Rhode Island College**

#### **From Route 95 Northbound**

Take Exit 21 (Broadway exit); turn left at second traffic light (Atwells Avenue). Follow Atwells Avenue for 1.5 miles to the intersection with Mount Pleasant Avenue. Turn right onto Mount Pleasant Avenue. The College entrance is 1.1 miles ahead on the left.

#### **From Route 95 Southbound**

Take Exit 21 (Atwells Avenue exit). Turn right onto Atwells Avenue. Continue on Atwells Avenue for 1.5 miles to the intersection with Mount Pleasant Avenue. Turn right onto Mount Pleasant Avenue. The College entrance is 1.1 miles ahead on the left.

### **Parking**

Please note that there are visitor designated parking lots located on the campus map as parking areas I, J, L, and A. Please use the link for a complete map of the Rhode Island College Map. [www.ric.edu/aboutRIC/directions.php](http://www.ric.edu/aboutRIC/directions.php)

### **Hotel**

Rooms have been reserved at the Providence Biltmore Hotel at the conference rate of \$129.00 per night. Reservations must be made before September 14, 2009. Please call 1-800-294-7709 or 401-421-0700 and ask for reservations. Please request the rate for Rhode Island College – Reggio Institute.

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**Registration will be accepted beginning July 15, 2009 through September 14, 2009 on a first come first serve basis. Please mail all registration forms with your check or purchase order (we are unable to accept credit cards) to Rhode Island College, Attn. Leslie Sevey, ELED Dept., 600 Mt. Pleasant Ave. Providence, RI 02908.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAREA Member Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Registration fee includes a reception on Thursday evening and continental breakfast and lunch on Friday and Saturday.*

|  | Regular Rate                      | NAREA Member                      | RIC Student                      |
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| Thursday, October 29 & Friday, October 30                        | <input type="checkbox"/> \$200.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$180.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$35.00 |
| Friday, October 30 & Saturday, October 31                        | <input type="checkbox"/> \$250.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$225.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$45.00 |
| Thursday, October 29, Friday, October 30, & Saturday, October 31 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$300.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$270.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50.00 |

**Friday Evening Event**     \$40.00

Join us for fun filled evening on Historical Federal Hill in Downtown Providence, Rhode Island.  
 Dinner at the Aurora Club on Federal Hill in Providence  
 Time: 5:45 p.m.  
 Cost: Includes an appetizer, main course, and one glass of wine  
 Transportation will not be provided

**College Credit**     1 Undergraduate Credit \$50.00     2 Undergraduate Credits \$100.00  
                           1 Graduate Credit \$75.00                     2 Graduate Credits \$150.00

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks/P.O. payable to: Rhode Island College**

No cancellations will be accepted after October 9, 2009. Cancellations made on or before October 9, 2009 will be eligible for refunds. Eligible refunds will be processed two weeks after the conference.

A confirmation of your registration will be e-mailed to you as it is processed. Should you have any questions please contact: Leslie Sevey at [LSevey@ric.edu](mailto:LSevey@ric.edu)