



Coming to Portland  
Children's Museum  
February - June 2012

Exhibition of the infant-toddler centers and preschools of the Istituzione - Municipality of Reggio Emilia, North American Version



The traveling exhibition The Wonder of Learning is offered as a "democratic piazza" calling attention to the importance of education and schools as places for discussion and exchange. In continuity with the previous exhibition, "The Hundred Languages of Children", the new exhibition also aims to reconfirm the values that underlie the educational philosophy of the Municipal Infant-toddler Centres and Preschools of Reggio Emilia, and in particular to highlight the changes, innovations, and developments that have taken place. The exhibition speaks to all those involved in education as well as to all members of the general public who believe that research on the processes of learning and education is of crucial importance for society.

**"The Wonder of Learning" Exhibit's  
Professional Development Initiatives:  
Save These 2012 Dates!**

**Registration Information to be posted on Center website by November 2011.**

**February 2-4, 2012 - Exhibit Grand Opening:**

"Quality Schools for All Children: Exploring Possibilities" *How does "The Wonder of Learning" exhibit speak to us about questions of quality?*  
Hosted by the Center for Children's Learning, Portland Children's Museum.

**March 10, 2012:**

"The Wonder of Children's Creative Thinking: Inspiration from the municipal early childhood schools of Reggio Emilia, Italy" *What does it mean to make creative thinking visible?*  
Hosted by Helen Gordon Child Development Center, Portland State University.

**April 13-14, 2012:**

"Nurturing the Creative Capacity of Children, Ages 0-5 Years" *What does the exhibit tell us about supporting and nurturing the creative capacity of a learning community—children and adults?*  
Co-hosted by Mentor Graphics Child Development Center and Creative Children's Center. Includes visitations to three local infant-toddler centers and preschools.

**June 21, 2012: Pre-NAREA Conference Initiative:**

The Center for Children's Learning, Portland Children's Museum hosts a pre-conference on the topic of mentoring teachers.

**June 22-24, 2012: The Eighth NAREA Summer Conference:**

"Dialogues for Quality in Education: Giving Visibility to Creative Thinking and Collaboration in Our Schools and Communities" The North American Reggio Emilia Alliance coordinates the closing initiative of the exhibit. Educators from Reggio Emilia, Italy share their experiences together with educators from North America.

*[Opal School's Summer Symposium will resume in June, 2013.]*