



Waldorf Early Childhood Educator Training

STORYTELLING AND PUPPETRY FOR THE OLDER CHILD

Instructor: Ruth Ker

COURSE OUTLINE

Description of Course Content: This course will provide an opportunity to practice storytelling and a variety of puppetry experiences for the older children in the preschool/kindergarten setting.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this course the student will have reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- comprehend age-appropriate stories for the development of speech and the oral and auditory processing of the young child, corresponding to different developmental phases in early childhood
- develop some puppetry and marionette skills by working with puppets to stage three different plays
- understand how to present stories to young children so they can be fully received
- learn how to memorize and portray a tale.

Required text: None

Handouts will be provided for the puppet plays practiced

Recommended texts:

Storytelling with Children Nancy Mellon

Healing Stories for Challenging Behaviour Susan Perrow

Tell Me a Story, I and II, Louise deForest, WECAN books

Plays for Puppets and Marionettes, Bronja Zahingen, WECAN books

Method of Instruction: presentations, discussions, group participation in artistic presentations

Method of Student Evaluation and Completion Requirements: attendance, classroom participation in activities and discussions.

5 classes of 1.5 hours (7.5 hours)

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