

See It...

Learn It...

Do it...

Featuring:
Cindy Campbell!



3rd Kingstec Spring Conference

Saturday, May 5, 2012

9:00 am—4:00 pm

NSCC Kingstec Campus
Kentville, NS

\$75

Conference Registration form included.

Registration and Payment **due by**
April 20th

*Payment must accompany registration
before spots can be held.
Please visit our website for
more information*

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**Caring at Work
Awards**

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**Pre-Conference
Session**

May 4, 2012; 6:00—9:00 pm

\$20
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Supper & Caring at Work Awards 6:00pm

We all know someone who deserves recognition for their outstanding caring and dedication for the children they care for, and their commitment to their colleagues and the profession. The Caring at Work Award helps to build relationships and to promote the value of quality child care and those who provide it.

Workshop 7:00pm—*Happiness is a Good Story*

Why don't we use storytelling more often to make us feel good? With guidance from storyteller, Cindy Campbell, learn how to tell your stories through visualization techniques and oral narrative exploration. Discover treasured stories in everyday life. Find that special story that will put a smile on your face! And get feelin' good!

Cindy Campbell is a storyteller, a singer, an enthusiastic story coach and an energetic performer who enjoys combining storytelling with other artistic techniques such as music, singing, puppetry and drama. In 2000, Cindy formed a part time business, an educational entertainment company, called StorySong Express. She has performed across Canada for all ages in festivals, concerts, libraries, schools and conferences. A former preschool teacher, and program presenter for public libraries, Cindy has developed many programs for preschoolers including Mother Goose Storytime for Cable 10 Dartmouth, a library program for pre-readers called 'Shake, Rattle and Read', and an oral storytelling based program called Rhythms, Rhymes and Telling Tales.

To Register for the Pre-Conference Session:

Please use the conference registration form included in this package. Payment must accompany the registration form for spaces to be held.

Registration required by 20 April! Spaces Limited.

To Recognize Someone with a Caring at Work Award:

Forward to the Support Centre:

- \$5 (for the certificate & pin)*
- Recipient's name, position and organization
- Nominator's name
- Why s/he is deserving of the award—This information will be included on a certificate.

* cash or cheque payable to Child Care Connections. **Do Not** combine payment with your conference registration. The cheque will be returned.

Award deadline: April 5th

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Session A

1. Math and Literacy Everyday—In lots of ways!

Facilitator: Liz Hicks

This workshop is aimed at all ages, because the basis to learning how to read and do math is language—lots and lots of quality language! Combining the principles of a sound literacy program with math, we will look at some great ideas and do some hands on activities.

2. Collaborating with Elluminate Live: Anywhere Anytime Anybody

Facilitator: Lorraine Mockford

Oh no! There is a great workshop next week that I really want to go to, but I just know it is going to snow. I wish there was a way to attend that allowed me to stay home. Well... There is!

Collaborate / Elluminate Live is a webconferencing tool that allows you to connect to interesting and dynamic interactive workshops from your own home via your computer. No advanced computer skills are necessary, just an internet connection, a computer, and a headset with a microphone.

Join us to find out how easy and fun it can be so next time you can stay home in your PJs.

3. Tell Me Another One!

Facilitator: Cindy Campbell

Before books, the cry, “Tell me another one!” could be heard around the campfires of our ancestors.

- **Learn** how to tell tales in the modern world and have them begging for more! It’s easy!
- **Discover** different ways to encourage participation. It’s fun!
- **Use** storytelling to help develop language, learning and pre reading skills. It’s incredible!

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Session B

1. Science & Nature

Facilitator: Liz Hicks

Science in the emergent curriculum—does making ‘volcanoes’ really teach anything? How do children learn? What is science? Why is science important in our curriculum? How should we teach science in early childhood? What is the role of the teacher? Discussions about observing children, teachable moments, open-ended questions. Hands on.

2. Handle with Care ~ Strategies for Promoting the Mental Health of Young Children in Community-based Child Care

Facilitator: Meaghan Forster-Raymond and Crystal Martin

****3 hours****

Unit #1- Developing trust between practitioner and child

This workshop examines mental health promotion in child care and group care settings. The foundations we will explore will be:

- a overview of mental health promotion and links them to the child care context
- laying a foundation for social-emotional development
- understanding the qualities of attachment
- how "centre connections" impacts children

3. Here a Story, There a Story, Everywhere a Story: A journey across the curriculum

Facilitator: Cindy Campbell

For generations, our elders have known how to find stories everywhere and use them for teaching, learning and understanding the world around us. Stories can enhance and direct learning in many areas of the preschool curriculum too!

- **Learn** how to use stories when teaching numeracy, nature studies, music, science, and more.
- **Discover** how stories can be effectively used to encourage imaginative play, and develop motor skills.
- **Use** storytelling to enhance other activities and encourage social skills in the preschool child.

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Session C

1. Transitions and Schedules in the Toddler Room - Minimizing Interruptions and Maximizing Opportunities

Facilitator: Shannon Harrison

Talk to any toddler caregiver about the toughest part of the day and the conversation will most likely involve some kind of transition time. We plan our art activities and our circle times, but do we plan for our transitions? This workshop will give you a chance to reflect on these challenging times of the day. You will learn about what good transitions should look like and the elements of a good schedule through stories, photos and video examples.

2. Handle with Care—Continued

Facilitator: Meaghan Forster-Raymond and Crystal Martin

This three hour workshop continues after the break.

3. Children's Faces Looking Up!

Facilitator: Cindy Campbell

When I first began to do programs with preschoolers, I realized I was being looked at by many sets of wondrous eyes. That was a little intimidating! Imagine my surprise when those faces began to 'listen'. That's when the magic happened!

- **Learn** how to create that magic through various programming techniques.
- **Discover** how to attract, direct and hold their attention. That's a learned skill!
- **Use** specific activities and helpful tips to keep your program flowing while entertaining and educating your crowd of faces looking up! This workshop will also have a sharing time where everyone can share a programming technique or tip that worked for them.

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6:00—7:00

Supper

Conference Pre-registration, networking

6:15—7:00

Caring at Work Awards

Welcome, Award presentations.

7:00—9:00

Workshop

Happiness is a Good Story with Cindy Campbell

Conference Day

Saturday, May 5, 2012 9:00 am—4:00 pm

All Day: Trade Show, Support Centre, Resource Lending Library

9:00—9:30

Registration

Network with your colleagues, enjoy morning refreshments, browse the trade show

9:30—10:00

Opening Remarks

Speakers TBA

10:00—11:30

Concurrent Sessions A

See inside flyer

11:30—12:30

Lunch

Also take time to visit the Support Centre and trade shows!

12:30—2:00

Concurrent Sessions B

See inside flyer

2:00—2:30

Break

Network with your colleagues, enjoy afternoon refreshments, browse the trade show

2:30—4:00

Concurrent Sessions C

See inside flyer

Sessions and schedule subject to change