Montessori Children's Foundation Annual Lecture

Thursday, 4 June 2009, Sydney

The Child and the Adult: The Embodiment of World Harmony

At its core Montessori supports the natural development of the human being from birth to maturity enabling children to become the transforming elements leading to a harmonious and peaceful world. This process begins from birth and has as its foundation the relationship between the adult and the child. David Kahn will explore the Montessori root ideas of education and experience, indoors and outdoors, practical and social life, farm and urban world settings from birth to adolescence and the unique partnership between the child and adult in the Montessori context. We see this relationship culminating with the adolescents working side-by-side with enthusiastic adult specialists who have a role in society. This inspires adolescents to want to play their part in nature, society and the global human effort. David will further examine the international perspective on the application of Montessori principles to educational and social reform in direct relationship to community-based realities including some of the work of the Montessori Children's Foundation.

David Kahn is Executive Director of the North American Montessori Teachers Association, and was founding director of the Hershey Montessori Farm School, a world acclaimed adolescent program, in Ohio. Currently Mr. Kahn is directing Project 2012, a funded eight year research and development project intending to produce a Montessori classical design for Adolescent Education ages 12-18. David Kahn holds a B.A. in fine arts and classics from the University of Notre Dame as well as the AMI Montessori Elementary diploma from Bergamo, Italy. He has seventeen years of Montessori teaching experience, twelve of them as teaching principal at Ruffing Montessori School (Cleveland, Ohio). David has produced extensive media works, both print and video, and has been involved in the provision of Montessori professional development throughout the world.

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7:30pm to 9:30pm

Novotel Brighton Beach
Corner The Grand Parade and Princess Street
Brighton-Le-Sands (Venue is near Sydney Airport)

Registration Fee: $60

Lecture will be followed by supper and a chance to enjoy various Montessori displays and an opportunity to examine and discuss Montessori programs and materials.

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The Montessori Children's Foundation was established to provide communities in Australia's urban, regional and remote areas with access to Montessori programmes. The Foundation has a specific commitment to working with Indigenous and disadvataged communities facing hardship.

The Annual Lecture is an initiative of the Montessori Children's Foundation designed to share Montessori's legacy and to place children's issues at the centre of society's agenda.

Proceeds from the evening will support the work of the Montessori Children's Foundation.

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