

# Early Childhood Care and Education Conference 'The Spirit of Play'

October 21 & 22, 2011  
Umpqua Community College



- Up to 8 continuing education hours for child care providers and early childhood educators
- 13 breakout sessions (beginning and intermediate levels) related to early childhood education
- Education and networking for parent educators, elementary school staff, parents, grandparents and community members
- Exhibitor/Vendor Tables & Door Prizes

**RICHARD COHEN, MA**



**Friday, October 21**  
**5:30 - 8:00 PM**  
 FREE ~ Public Invited  
 Appetizers & Speaker  
 UCC Whipple Center Stage



**Saturday, October 22**  
**7:45 AM - 4:00 PM**  
 Speaker & Breakouts  
 UCC Campus Center

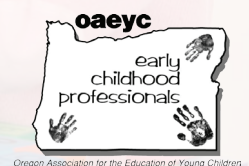
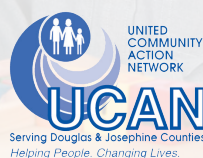
**\$49** through 10/7/11\*\*  
**\$55** after 10/7/11

15% discount for groups registering 3 or more.  
 \*\* Deadline for John & Betty Gray Scholarships  
 Fee includes: Friday evening speaker and all day Saturday.  
 Continental breakfast & lunch provided Saturday.

Topics Presented by Richard Include:

- The Spirit of Play
- Zen and the Art of Early Childhood Education
- Bunch of Monkeys
- Room to Grow: Early Childhood Environments
- Becoming Reflective, Intentional Practitioners

**Contributing Organizations:**



**For more information or to register go to**  
**www.regonline.com/ECcare2011** or call 541-440-4601

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# Early Childhood Care and Education Conference Program\*

October 21 and 22, 2011

Friday, October 21, 5:30 - 8:00 pm ~ UCC Whipple Center Stage -

Reception and Keynote: *Richard Cohen, "Spirit of Play" (2 CEUs)*

Saturday, October 22, 7:45 am ~ Campus Center - Registration, exhibits, breakfast

8:30 am ~ Campus Center - Keynote Speaker:

*Richard Cohen, "Zen and the Art of Early Childhood Education"*

## Workshop Schedule for Saturday, October 22:

Track	Session One 10:15-11:45	Lunch	Session Two 12:30-2:00	Session Three 2:15-3:45
Special Needs	<p><b>Autism 201</b> Do you know the early signs of autism? This workshop will emphasize teaching and simple behavior strategies. Send your questions to <a href="mailto:Patsy.Roberts@douglasesd.k12.or.us">Patsy.Roberts@douglasesd.k12.or.us</a> and she will address them in class! <b>Patsy Roberts</b> <b>Douglas ESD</b></p>		<p><b>Teaching Children with Visual Communication</b> Gain tips on using visual cues in the teaching process to improve behavior and self-esteem, as well as social and cognitive skills in children. <b>Barb Tenneson</b> <b>Heather Sewell</b> <b>Douglas ESD</b></p>	<p><b>Supporting Children with Mental Illness for Parents and Educators</b> You can understand the impact of mental illness on children and their ability to function successfully in the home, schools and the community. <b>Steph Neyhart</b> <b>UCC, Roseburg School District</b></p>
Behavioral Management	<p><b>Bunch of Monkeys</b> Expand your skills with supportive strategies for guiding positive behaviors and dealing with negative behaviors. <b>Richard Cohen</b> <b>Keynote Speaker</b></p>		<p><b>Safety 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; De-escalation</b> Gain a common language and understanding of PBIS principals to effectively engage children, prevent escalation of dangerous behavior and to de-escalate situations that might occur. Equip yourself with the knowledge and skills of developmentally appropriate 1st response strategies, interventions and techniques to effectively use with children exhibiting behavioral difficulties. <b>Michael Mahoney</b> <b>Douglas ESD</b></p>	<p><b>Safety 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; De-escalation - Part 2</b>  <b>Michael Mahoney</b> <b>Douglas ESD</b></p>
Families and Communication	<p><b>Communication with Families</b> Improve your communication skills when working with families in crisis. This class includes discussion on the change process and meeting families where they are. <b>Kim Floyd</b> <b>UCAN Head Start</b></p>		<p><b>Effective Communication and Problem Solving</b> Join this fun, hands on workshop and improve your listening and speaking skills and gain positive problem solving techniques. Positive communication can improve relationships both at home and work settings. <b>Krista Grensky, Parent Educator</b> <b>Family Dev. Center &amp; DCEPC</b></p>	<p><b>Understanding Family Function</b> Learn how various models of human development and parenting practices influence the choices we make as adults. <b>Pauline Martel</b> <b>Adapt, UCC, U of O</b></p>
Best Practices in ECE	<p><b>Creativity With Children</b> Come play with us! Add to your toolbox with creative activities and ideas with an emphasis on process, not product. <b>Mary Gallagher</b> <b>Sherry Cowens</b> <b>UCAN Head Start</b></p>		<p><b>Room to Grow - Early Childhood Environments</b> Discover how the classroom environment affects children's behavior. This guided imagery exercise is a thought and emotion-provoking favorite! <b>Richard Cohen</b> <b>Keynote Speaker</b></p>	<p><b>Developmental Screenings: "Opening the Door to Understanding"</b> Understand the tools used to screen for developmental and behavioral issues can be the first step to giving children the best chance for success. <b>Kristi Anderson</b> <b>UCAN Headstart</b></p>
Professionalism	<p><b>From Babysitter to Business Owner</b> Take your childcare business from ordinary to exceptional! Infuse every part of your business with professionalism to get the results you are looking for. <b>Terri Hansen</b> <b>Family Connections Lane and Douglas Counties</b></p>		<p><b>From Babysitter to Business Owner - Part 2</b>  <b>Terri Hansen</b> <b>Family Connections Lane and Douglas Counties</b></p>	<p><b>Becoming Reflective, Intentional Practitioners</b> This interactive workshop will explore the ideas of mindfulness and metacognition as we consider why we react and interact with children and families the way we do. Make intentional, professional decisions each day. <b>Richard Cohen</b> <b>Keynote Speaker</b></p>

4:00 pm ~ Conference Adjourns

**Richard Cohen, M.A.** has proudly been an early childhood professional for twenty-five years. For the past thirteen years, Richard has traveled the world as a motivational speaker/instructor, facilitating innovative, thought-provoking, interactive adult learning experiences for communities of early childhood teachers, administrators, caregivers and parents.



Currently, Richard serves as a member of the leadership team at the Council for Professional Recognition in Washington, D.C, supporting tens of thousands of entry-level professionals who are courageously pursuing their Child Development Associate (CDA) credential each year. Richard recently completed his responsibilities as Senior Director of Professional Development at the National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (NACCRRA). Prior to that, Richard served as International Vice President, Education of Learning Care Group. There he was responsible for overseeing the developmental and educational needs of thousands of child care centers, tens of thousands of early childhood professionals and hundreds of thousands of children and families all over the globe.

At Learning Care Group, Richard created the Reggio-inspired curriculum, The Empowered Child and the multiple intelligences-based curriculum, LifeSmart. Most notably, he developed his most exciting project to date: the Learning Care System, a comprehensive online lesson-planning

system that allows teachers to use authentic observations and assessments, correlated with their state's quality early learning standards, to provide truly intentional, emergent curriculum based on both children's interests and their unique developmental needs.

Richard received his Masters Degree in Human Development from the world-renowned early childhood institution, Pacific Oaks College. He is an active member of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and the International Play Association (IPA).

### **\*\*John & Betty Gray Scholarships Available**

The John & Betty Gray Early Childhood Initiative of the Oregon Community Foundation may be able to help you attend this conference.

**Who is eligible:** Those who 1) work directly with children in a Child Care Division (CCD) licensed child care facility or a child care center legally exempt from licensing. CCD licensed child care includes Registered Family Child Care Homes, Certified Family Child Care Homes, and Certified Child Care Centers **AND** 2) have an Oregon Registry Step.

**Registration Deadline for scholarship Attendees:** The deadline for participants to register for the Conference and receive a scholarship is **Friday, October 7, 2011**. Those registering after this date, are not eligible for the John and Betty Gray scholarship and will be responsible for the \$55/regular rate to attend.

**How to register for the Conference using the scholarship:** To register, complete the hard copy registration form or go online. In the payment section, indicate "John and Betty Gray" in the "Check or PO #" section. You are responsible for showing your scholarship voucher when you check in at the conference.

**How to apply for scholarship funds and get your voucher:** For information on scholarships contact the Oregon Center for Career Development in Childhood Care and Education by 1) calling 503-725-8535 or toll free 1-877-725-8535, 2) emailing [occdscholarship@pdx.edu](mailto:occdscholarship@pdx.edu) or 3) visiting the web at: [www.centerline.pdx.edu](http://www.centerline.pdx.edu) (click on the Scholarship link at the top right)

**Be sure to apply no later than Friday, October 7, 2011.**



# REGISTRATION FORM

## 2011 Early Childhood Care & Education Conference

Need more info? Call (541) 440-4601 or visit [www.regonline.com/ECcare2011](http://www.regonline.com/ECcare2011)

### 3 WAYS TO REGISTER

- 1 Complete and mail in this registration form with payment
- 2 Register online at [www.regonline.com/ECcare2011](http://www.regonline.com/ECcare2011), *(group registration option available)*
- 3 Call us at 440-4601 and have your information and credit card ready

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

Organization/Business \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
For UCC record-keeping only

**Please list your workshop selections below.**  
*Register early for the best choice of workshops!*

#### Session One

1st choice \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

#### Session Two

1st choice \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

#### Session Three

1st choice \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

#### Early bird registration

(postmarked before Oct. 7) .....\$49

**Regular registration** (after Oct. 7) .....\$55

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**TOTAL ENCLOSED** .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to UCC*

*or pay with Visa or MasterCard*

*John & Betty Gray Scholarship*

P.O. or Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No

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Visa or MasterCard Number (circle one) Exp. date

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Signature 3-digit code (back of card)

**Please mail your completed registration form and payment to:**  
**UCC Community Ed, PO Box 967, Roseburg, OR 97470**

**Refund Policy - Payment non-refundable, substitutions allowed.**

**Friday evening session in Whipple Center Stage.**

**Saturday morning please sign in and get your registration packet at UCC's Campus Center.**

**Directions:** Easy access from I-5.

**From the South,** take exit 129, and turn left at the light (Hwy. 99), then take the next right on College Road.

**From the North,** take exit 129, go left at stop sign (Del Rio Road), left at the next stop sign (Hwy. 99), then right on College Road. Once your turn on College Road, it's less than a mile to UCC. You can't miss it. Park in student parking.

