



**CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH
IN EARLY CHILDHOOD (CAREC)**

POST-CSSE CONFERENCE

**Thursday, June 2 2016
University of Calgary**

Invites proposal submissions to:

*Mosaics of Possibilities: Researching and Teaching through the
Arts in Early Childhood Education*

Artistic expressions, like story-telling, music, drama, dance and visual arts—are commonplace within early childhood education. For educators, the arts provide a window to a child's inner canvas, while children engage with the arts as a medium of expression, creativity, and emotional and social connection to the world around them (Fraser, 2012). Additionally, the arts contribute to the 'mosaic' of methodological tools (Clark & Moss, 2011) that support visual, participatory methods in conducting research with and alongside children. Please join scholars, researchers, and practitioners for an informative and engaging day of presentations, networking, and critical dialogue on the role of the arts in early childhood education.

Registration-April 1st, 2016 via CSSE services page (for members and non members)
<https://www.assocsrv.ca/csse/index.asp?LANG=E>

Post-Conference Format

Based on the number of accepted submissions, we envision our day beginning with a short welcome and keynote presentation. Throughout the remainder of the day, several multi-paper sessions will be available for attendees to choose. Each multi-paper session will be 75 minutes in length where (up to) three groups of varied scholars and researchers will provide an overview of their individual focus of scholarship and help to contribute to the critical discourse related to the theme of the conference, *Mosaics of Possibilities: Researching and Teaching through the Arts in Early Childhood Education*. Each presenter (or presenter group) should allow for a 20-minute presentation and 5-minute question & answer period. Presentations may be in French or English. Three nutrition breaks planned throughout the day will afford delegates ample opportunity to interact as well as visit the poster sessions that will be presented and on display. A brief closing session will round out the day.

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Proposal Instructions:

Proposals in **French** or **English** are welcome from varied disciplines. Graduate student proposals are also highly encouraged. Please submit a 250 word abstract (double spaced) summary that may include the following information:

- A brief description of the proposal
- Rationale and/or significance of the proposal
- Perspective/theoretical foci
- Methodology (if research based)
- Findings/Implications/Future Directions

Please **clearly** indicate which of the following best describes your submission:

- Individual submission
- Self-organized multi-paper session of (up to) 3 distinct presentation groups
- Poster submission

Please also include a **short bio** for the first author of the submission.

Submission process:

Email your proposal as a Word Doc or RTF attachment to धारवुड@ब्रॉक्यू.कै.कै (English submissions) OR joanne.lehrer@uqo.ca (French submissions)

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: February 26, 2016

All submissions will be reviewed and acceptance notification will be circulated by March 31, 2016

For updates on this conference and other CAREC postings, please follow us on Facebook.
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Post Conference Committee:

Debra Harwood CAREC-SIG Chair (Brock University), Carolyn Bjartveit (University of Calgary), Scott Hughes (Mount Royal University), Joanne Lehrer (UQO), & Alaina Roach-O'Keefe (UPEI)

Based on the number and nature of submissions, the organizing committee reserves the right to combine submissions, and/or offer an alternative delivery format from what was submitted. Thank you for your submission.