

# Exploring the Reggio Emilia Approach

with Rosalba Bortolotti



*Participants are invited to join this inspiring day with Rosalba Bortolotti to explore a morning and afternoon workshop related to Reggio inspired practices.*

## The Morning Session

### Bringing the Reggio Principle, the Image of the Child to Life

This an introduction to the fundamentals of the Reggio Emilia approaches using work from both Reggio Emilia and Canadian contexts. Examples will be shared and participants will think together about how these fundamental principles can inspire their work in their own early learning space. Participants will leave with an understanding of the fundamentals of the Reggio Approach and a good grasp on how to begin or continue an educational journey to implement and share these principles within their school community.

## The Afternoon Workshop

### The Third Teacher - The Environment: Transforming Spaces

Explore together how design and the learning environment intersect. Over the years, speaking to children, educators, parents, and professors gives us the multiple perspectives, knowledge, and ideas to design learning spaces for all. This workshop will provide participants with the opportunity to engage in a conversation about the power of the Third Teacher, a guiding principle in the Reggio Emilia inspired approach. It will transform your teaching, learning, and listening.

**Saturday November 26, 2016** • St. Catharines Museum, 1932 Welland Canals Parkway, St. Catharines • 8:30 am to 4:00 pm • \$75 includes breakfast, lunch and all workshop materials • Please contact the ECCDC at 905.646.7311 ext. 304, email [eccdc@eccdc.org](mailto:eccdc@eccdc.org) or visit [www.eccdc.org](http://www.eccdc.org) to register

## About the Presenter: Rosalba Bortolotti - Acorn Collaborative Consulting

Rosalba is a passionate and enthusiastic early learning educational consultant with over 20 years' experience working with children, their families, and colleagues. As an early learning educator, consultant and previous owner of a private preschool, Rosalba works with various organizations, committees, and school and early learning programs across the province, Canada and internationally. Rosalba was the executive director and owner of a private Reggio Emilia inspired preschool in Toronto. Between the years of 1994-2011 Rosalba visited the schools of Reggio Emilia and returned with a deeper pedagogical understanding that inspired her consulting. Rosalba also worked as a lead teacher in the Seneca Lab School as a part-time professor in the School of Early Childhood Education and Seneca College.