

21st Century Community Learning Center Conference

June 17-18, 2013

Ramkota Conference Center, Pierre SD

“Finding Joy In Life and Literacy”

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Deadline to register is May 24, 2013



Presenters

Dr. Stuart Brown



Dr. Stuart Brown has affirmed, through his years of clinical practice, the importance and need for healthy play throughout the human life cycle. His exploration of the evolution of human and animal play has led to establishment of the National Institute for Play. The Mission of the National Institute for Play (NIFP) is to bring the unrealized knowledge, practices and benefits of play into public life. His scientific and popular writings have identified him as the foremost “practical champion of the knowledge of Play.” Dr. Brown’s recent book is the title of his speech: *Play: How it Shapes the Brain, Opens the Imagination, and Invigorates the Soul*.

Denise Brennan-Nelson



Denise Brennan-Nelson is an award winning children's author. She wrote her first book, *Buzzy the Bumblebee* to inspire people to “bee-lieve” in themselves and their dreams. Her story *Willow*, was chosen for Oprah’s Book Club Kids’ Reading List. In presentations across the country she encourages adults and children to tap into their imaginations to create richer, fuller lives. Denise resides in Howell, Michigan with her husband, Bob and their two daughters, Rebecca and Rachel.

Jacque McTaggart



After retiring from a rewarding forty-two year teaching career Jacque McTaggart wrote *From the Teacher's Desk*. Jacque currently maintains an interactive Web site for teachers at www.theteachersdesk.com, emails a monthly newsletter to 1000+ subscribers, writes articles for parenting magazines and educational journals, provides staff development training, teaches a writing class at a community college, and is frequent featured speaker and keynoter at Literacy Conferences and Workshops.

Jacque has written chapters for two reference texts, *Visual Literacy* (2008) and *Reading in 2010 and Beyond* (December 2009). Her latest book, *If They Don't Learn the Way You Teach, Teach the Way They Learn*, is a compilation of cut-above-the-rest K-8 teacher resources. Jacque has one husband, two sons, six grandkids, and 1500 former students.

Carrie Brockway, *Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks*



During her career as a classroom teacher, Carrie fell in love with Box Cars materials and used them daily in her classroom. She holds a Master's degree in Reading from Rockford College, where she has been an adjunct professor in the education department for nearly 6 years, teaching reading foundation coursework for graduate students and undergraduates alike. She has been an elementary principal for a rural K-12 Unit District in Illinois for the last 5 years, where her building offers a differentiated, hands-on approach to literacy and mathematics education. Carrie was honored as the youngest recipient of the Golden Apple Teacher award for her excellence as a third grade teacher in Illinois.

Tentative Schedule

Monday, June 17th

10:00 am: Registration begins

11:15 am: Lunch and opening

12:00 – 1:30: Keynote: “PLAY: How It Shapes the Brain, Opens the Imagination, and Invigorates the Soul” by Dr. Stuart Brown

1:30 – 1:45: Break

1:45 – 2:45: “The Write to be Creative” by Denise Brennan-Nelson

2:45 – 3:00: Break

3:00 – 4:00 Current Topic Discussion

4:00 – 4:15: Break

4:15 – 5:15: Common Core Presentation

5:30 – 6:00: Dinner

6:00 – 7:00: “Tinkerers and Outdoor Players Have More Fun and Are Smarter!” by Dr. Stuart Brown

Tuesday, June 18th

7:45 – 8:30 Dr. Melody Schopp

8:30 – 9:30 “Do You Bee-Lieve?” by Denise Brennan-Nelson

9:30 – 9:45 Break

9:45 – 10:45 “The Write Way” by Jacquie McTaggart. This session is for those who work with students in grades 4-12.

Box Cars and One Eyed Jacks Literacy Lessons by Carrie Brockway. This session is for those who work with students in grades K-3.

10:45-11:00 Break

11:00 – 12:00 “Writing 101” by Jacquie McTaggart. This session is for those who work with students in grades K-3.

Box Cars and One Eyed Jack Literacy Lessons by Carrie Brockway. This session is for those who work with students in grades 4-12.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 Oceti Sakowin presentation

2:00 – 2:15 Break

2:15 – 3:15 TIE, Using i-Pads in your programs. This session is for those who work with students in grades 4-12.

“Learning Through Play” by Jacquie McTaggart. This session is for those who work with students in grades K-3.

3:15 – 3:30 Break

3:30 – 4:30 TIE, Using i-Pads in your programs. This session is for those who work with students in grades K-3.

“Get, Ready, Set, Click” by Jacquie McTaggart. This session is for those who work with students in grades 4-12.

Logistics

i-Pads: Everyone is encouraged to bring an i-Pad, if you have one. The technology sessions are interactive and will be more helpful to you if you can participate hands-on.

Cost: There is NO registration fee for 21st CCLC directors, staff or volunteers. For all others, the cost is \$50 to cover the cost of meals and supplies.

Credit:

Free – up to 13.5 Department of Education Continuing Education Contact Hours
\$40 – one hour of graduate/undergraduate credit through the University of South Dakota. You may register for the graduate/undergraduate credit either at the conference or online. For those wishing to register online, click [here](#) and follow the registration directions.

Lodging is available at:

Ramkota – 605-224-6877, 920 W Sioux Ave, Pierre

Governors Inn – 605-224-4200, 700 W Sioux Ave, Pierre

Days Inn – 605-224-0411, 520 W Sioux Ave, Pierre

21st CCLC directors, staff, or volunteers will be reimbursed at State rates for the cost of the room for the nights of the 16th and 17th. ***Be sure you say that you are with the 21st CCLC conference so they give you the State rate of \$50.00 + tax.***