# **Early Childhood Training**

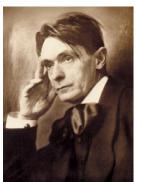
Rudolf Steiner was born in the small village of Kraljevec, Austria (now in Croatia) in 1861 and died in Dornach, Switzerland in 1925.

In university, he concentrated on mathematics, physics and

chemistry. Having written his thesis on philosophy, Steiner earned his doctorate and was later drawn into literary and scholarly circles and participated in the rich social and political life of Vienna.

The Waldorf school movement originated with a school Steiner developed for the children of factory employees at the Waldorf-Astoria cigarette factory. Today, Waldorf schools are all over the world. There are homes, schools and village communities for children and adults with special needs. Biodynamic agriculture began with a course of lectures requested by a group of farmers concerned about the destructive trend of "scientific" farming. Steiner's work with doctors led to a medical movement that includes clinics, hospitals and various forms of therapeutic work. As an art of movement, eurythmy also serves educational and therapeutic work.

Excerpted from SteinerBooks Anthroposophic Press at http://www.steinerbooks.org/ aboutrudolf.html



### **BOOK LIST:**

- Study of Man by Rudolf Steiner
- Philosophy of Freedom by Rudolf Steiner
- The Way of the Child by A.C. Harwood
- The Wisdom of Fairy Tales by Rudolf Meyer
- What is a Waldorf Kindergarten edited by Joan
- Our Twelve Senses by Albert Soesman
- Childhood by Caroline Von Heydebrand
- The Incarnating Child by Joan Slater





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## Waldorf Classes & Lectures ADULT ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

### Early Childhood Training

WSOC's Early Childhood Training program is a twoyear program, leading to a certificate of completion. Applicants need to have

completed the two-year WSOC Foundation Studies program or its equivalent.

The program, which is beginning in September 2014, will be led by Holly Richards, who has been an Early Childhood teacher at the Waldorf School of Orange County for 17 years. She received her Waldorf training at Rudolf Steiner College, Sacramento, a BS in Human Development with a focus on Early Childhood Development from Fullerton, and her MA in Human Development, CSU with a focus on Leadership in Education from Pacific Oaks College in Pasadena.

It is an integral part of the WSOC Teacher Training Program, directed by Chris Bennett, who joined the faculty of WSOC in September 2009 and is the former Director of Kula Makua Adult Waldorf Education in Honolulu, and was an instructor at the London Waldorf Teacher Training Seminar (UK) for many years before that. Faculty members from WSOC will be supporting this program in addition to guest teachers from the wider Anthroposophical movement.

### The First Year

The first year program will include:

a deeper study of the young child in the light of Anthroposophy and the application of Waldorf pedagogy in the Early Childhood realm. This will include circle time, story, practical activities and more.

Several classes will be taken together with students from the Grades program.

#### **SCHEDULE AND FEES FOR YEAR 1:**

INDUCTION WEEKEND: Sept. 12-13, 2014

FUTURE DATES: on Friday and Saturday in 2014: Oct 3-4, Oct 24-25, Nov 14-15, Dec 12-13

2015: Jan 09-10, Jan 30-31, Feb 27-28, Mar 20-21, Apr 19-20, Apr 17-18, May 15-16. Jun 5-6

TUESDAYS: 2014: Sept 16, Oct 7, Oct 28, Nov 18, Dec 16

2015: Jan 13, Feb 3, Mar 3, Mar 4, Apr 21, May 19, Jun 9

INDUCTION WEEKEND: Friday night from 5:00-9:00 pm, Saturday 8:30am-5:00 pm

REGULAR WEEKENDS: Friday nights from 5:00 – 9:00 pm and Saturdays from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

TUESDAYS: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

FEES: The fee for the first half (first year) of the Early Childhood course is \$3,000 payable as follows: \$200 non-refundable deposit due with registration, 10 monthly payments of \$280, September through June. The fee for the second half (second year) is \$2,500 payable as follows: 10 monthly payments of \$300, September through June.

### **REGISTRATION FORM:**

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I am registering for the Early Childhood Training course at

This two-year, part-time study is offered from September, 2014 to June, 2016.

The tuition is \$3,000 per year for certificate of completion, payable as follows:

Monthly payments, September through June

To receive a certificate, students must attend 80% of the classes and all assignments need to be handed in.

Please register as soon as possible.

Mail this form with your check for the \$200 deposit to:

WSOC – Foundation Studies Attn: Chris Bennett

> 2350 Canyon Drive Costa Mesa, CA 92627

You may also register online by sending an email to

Chris. Bennett at chrisbennett xemxi@yahoo.com

Any questions? Please contact Chris.