

THE WEST COAST COLLABORATIVE PRESENTS...

# BRIDGING BOUNDARIES

Friday & Saturday March 5th & 6th 9:00am to 3:00pm PST Tiziana Filippini - Pedagogista Loretta Bertani - Atelierista Reggio Emilia, Italy

This year has been long and challenging! We invite you to join us for a two-day, virtual conference to inspire and reconnect as we come back together with Reggio Educators and the West Coast Collaborative to explore how we are Bridging Boundaries During Challenging Times.



<u>Morning sessions</u> will be streamed live from Reggio Emilia. <u>Afternoon breakout sessions</u> will be streamed live from the West Coast Collaborative schools: Branches Atelier - Culver City Bright Start - Santa Barbara Growing Place - Santa Monica

The New School West - Los Angeles





### BRIDGING BOUNDARIES DURING CHALLENGING TIMES

#### Friday March 5th 9am to 3pm

9:00 - 9:15am: Welcome & Opening

9:15 - 10:45am: Tiziana Filippini - Crossing Boundaries

10:45 - 11:00am: Break

11:00am - 12:30pm: Loretta Bertani - Coexistences: Relationships Between Living Organisms

12:30 - 1:15pm: Lunch Break

1:15 - 2:30pm: <u>Breakout sessions</u> Participants sign up for one of the two sessions:

• Growing Place Marine Park, Infant Toddler Cecilia Carrillo & Beth Nakatsui, Teachers Saying Hello to a New Classroom: Meaningful School Transitions During the Pandemic: Offering knowledge and practical suggestions to help

make transitions (during this pandemic) meaningful for children, parents, and teachers.

• Branches Atelier, Los Angeles Patricia Hunter McGrath, Atelierista/Executive Director & Berenice Vallejo, Assistant Director/Teacher Creativity, Connections, and Relationships:

Materials and Environments to Bridge Physical Distancing and Help Build Community.

**2:30-3:00pm:** Return to the same breakout group for reflections and Q&A.

#### Saturday March 6th 9am to 3 pm

9:00 - 10:45am: Tiziana Filippini & Loretta Bertani Coexistences: Relationships Between Living Organisms

10:45 - 11:00am: Break

11:00am - 12:30pm: Tiziana Filippini & Loretta Bertani Coexistences: Relationships Between Living Organisms continued

12:30 - 1:15pm: Lunch Break

**1:15 - 2:30pm:** <u>Breakout sessions</u> Participants sign up for one of the three sessions:

• Bright Start, Santa Barbara

Marcela Caceres-Gelinas, Director/Pedagogista Bridging Boundaries Between School & Home: A Collaborative Process with Educators, Children, and Parents During a Global Pandemic.

• The New School West, Venice Kristin Sherman, Pedagogista & Roleen Heimann, Co-Founder/Co-Director

"We got to see a feeling!": How we've supported collaboration, expression, and community building while physically distancing online and on the ground.

• Growing Place Ocean Park, Santa Monica Christine Richard, M.A., Pedagogista Metaphors for Resiliency: Observing how children see the world, what impressions they offer to us about the resiliency of humanity and our connection to nature and community.

**2:30 - 3:00pm:** Closing Panel with representatives from each school





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Loretta Bertani is an atelierista in the Robinson Crusoe Preschools and Infant Toddler Center, Istituzione of the Municipality of Reggio Emilia since 1996.

Loretta graduated at Instituto d'arte (Art College) of Reggio Emilia. From 1991 to 1995, she worked as an educator with the municipality of Reggio Emilia in local education groups, an experience addressed to pre-adolescent age groups and to the support of boys and girls with difficulties in school.

Loretta collaborated with the theater group "Teatro Gioco Vita" of Piacenza for designing and leading workshops on expressive languages and shadow theatre addressed to primary schools, as well as for street entertainment events for children and youth.

#### Cost:

Early Birds (until Feb. 26th) - \$110 General Admission - \$135 Student Discount (with current ECE ID) - \$50

To apply for the Student Discount, please email: Jim@BranchesAtelier.com

Questions: Allison@BranchesAtelier.com Tiziana Filippini is a pedagogista who collaborates with Reggio Children with regard to research, conferences and consultations in Italy and abroad.

From 1978 to 2015, Tiziana worked as a member of the Pedagogical Coordinating Team of the Istituzione of Preschools and Infant Toddler Centers of the Municipality of Reggio Emilia.

Tiziana is currently one of the curators of the new version: "The Wonder of Learning: The Hundred Languages of Children."

In addition to her work with the municipality, Tiziana was part of the original research group of Making Learning Visible, a collaboration between Reggio Children and Project Zero at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. The collaboration resulted in a book, "Making Learning Visible: Children as Individual and Group Learners," which became very well known in North American Early Childhood Education.

#### Tickets available at: www.BranchesAtelier.com/events1 or QR Code:

