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Dear early childhood colleague,

'Inspire' Professional Learning for Teachers – in partnership with Eliana Elias, Ijumaa Jordan, Margie Carter and Hilltop Children's Center, is pleased to present information regarding our Early Childhood Study tour to Auckland, New Zealand from March 29th through April 5th 2020. We are certain that you will have a wonderful time in our country participating in this focused professional learning opportunity that includes visits to a number of cutting edge early childhood centres. Eliana Elias and Ijumaa Jordan will be your study tour facilitators and they will provide provocations for reflection. **This study tour is limited in numbers but will require 25 registrants to proceed. Please confirm with Eliana Elias and Ijumaa Jordan before making travel bookings.**

The cost of the study tour is \$2,270.00 US, to share a twin room or \$2,490.00 US for a single room. Rooms will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Accommodation will be in Auckland at Vaughan Park Retreat - a beautiful setting at Long Bay on the North Shore of Auckland. The beach nearby provides a serene atmosphere and the pleasant accommodation facilities are very comfortable. Each room has its own hand basin and there are shared bathrooms and showers down the hall. The food is homemade and of high quality. The helpful staff is happy to cater for individual dietary needs. You might like to view online at: <http://vaughanpark.org.nz>.

Registration costs include: Seven nights' accommodation; Sunday- Sunday. Group pick-up on Sunday, March 29th and drop off Sunday, April 5th will be at the Sky Tower, located on the corner of Victoria St. and Federal Street in downtown Auckland. The Sky Tower is an Auckland landmark All meals, transport to venues, centre visits, and presentations are included.

Registration does not include: Airfares, travel insurance, personal items, phone calls, social costs etc.

When booking please ensure you are able to stay for the duration of the study tour – 9.00am on Sunday, March 29 - 10.00am Sunday, April 5, 2020. You might consider taking time to see our beautiful country before or after the study tour. We recommend visiting the Bay of Islands, Rotorua, Queenstown, Nelson or Christchurch.

If you would like to apply to attend the tour please take the following steps:

1) Download this application, and the three waivers. Fill them out, sign them and mail them to:

Eliana Elias and Ijumaa Jordan

1044 Ordway St.

Albany CA, 94706

OR

Sign them and scan them and email them to anzstudytour@gmail.com

Please do not forget to also fill out your bio and send us your picture through the following google form link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeRLjB2BJciOC6LBihSrTXHUZBxbn40sWxvEmHPsuvaoyyg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&pli=1>

2) Send your \$1000.00 deposit to Hilltop Children's Center by October 30th, 2019. There are two ways you can pay.

CHECK / MONEY ORDER:

Please send a check or money order in the amount of the deposit to the following address -

Hilltop Children's Center

Attn: Mike Browne

4 Nickerson St. #100

Seattle WA, 98109

CREDIT / DEBIT CARD:

Please note that there is a 5% processing fee for cards. If you would like to pay by card, please send an email to the following -

Subject Title: Last Name_First Name_NZ Study Tour 2020_Deposit

Email Address: institute@hilltopcc.org AND finance.department@hilltopcc.org

Please state that you would like to pay by card

Hilltop will then send you an invoice for the amount owed

If, for any reason, we are not able to accommodate you on this tour, we will return your check by December 1, 2019 and we will be happy to accommodate you on the next tour.

Please contact Ijumaa Jordan and Eliana Elias at anzstudytour@gmail.com

.Thank you!

Inspire, Hilltop Children's Center, Ijumaa Jordan and Eliana Elias (the organizers)

Inspire is a charitable trust promoting professional learning opportunities for teachers.

**Inspire – Professional learning for teachers
New Zealand Conference & Study Tour
March 29th through April 5, 2020**

(Please complete details carefully and clearly – if we can't read it we can't contact you!)

Name: _____

Your Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Cell phone: _____

Email address: _____

Emergency contact person: _____

Emergency contact details: _____

Centre/Organisation: _____

Address and Ph Number: _____

Any special Dietary needs? _____

PLEASE CIRCLE ONE:

I wish to share twin with: _____

I wish to have a single room: _____

Shared Room for two: \$2,270.00	Single Room: \$2,490.00
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We will do our best to accommodate your needs!
Please forward a deposit of \$1,000.00 (or full payment) with your registration form as soon as possible to secure your space and your rooming preference (first in, first served). Deposits, less 20% are refundable if notification received before December 2nd, 2019. Full deposits will be reimbursed if, by chance, the number of applicants does not reach a minimum of 25. No refunds will be made after this date unless the space is filled by another person.

Please pay the balance before December 2, 2019.



Aotearoa New Zealand Study Tour 2020

APPLICATION

Introduction: We strive to provide our study tour participants with an intellectually engaging and rewarding experience including multiple opportunities for self-reflection, critical thinking, and learning in dialogue. With this in mind, we offer only 32 spaces in our annual tours and encourage a diverse group of participants to apply. It is our goal to form a group of professionals who work with children, families and teachers and who are culturally, linguistically and racially representative of our ECE communities. In order to support teacher participation, we also offer a limited amount of scholarships. Please take the time to answer these questions so we can get to know you better.

Please write a short paragraph about yourself (your professional background, your current role, your passions and your expertise)

What are you hoping to learn during this Study Tour? (Understandings you seek to expand, leadership you hope to develop, challenges you experience in the field or want to make to the ECE field)

Please choose any of the following options:

- If accepted, I will be able to commit to attending.
- My attendance is dependent on the availability of finding financial support.
- My attendance is dependent on my ability to take time off.
- My attendance is dependent on my ability to _____.
- I am able to support the participation of a teacher by donating _____ or _____ miles.

In order to help us connect you to our group, please fill out the google form below. Here is the link.
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeRLjB2BJciOC6LBihSrTXHUZBxbn40sWxvEmHPsuvaoyg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&pli=1>

Important Dates

PLEASE PRINT THIS FOR YOUR RECCORDS

June 1, 2019	Applications are available on Hilltop Educator Institute website
October 30, 2019	<p>Applications due:</p> <p>1) Download this application, AND the three waivers available on the website. https://hilltopcc.com/institute/nzstudytour/ FILL them out, sign them and mail them to: Eliana Elias and Ijumaa Jordan 1044 Ordway St. Albany CA, 94706</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Sign them and scan them and email them to anzstudytour@gmail.com</p> <p>Don't forget to also send a bio and picture to the following google form link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeRLjiB2BjciOC6LBihSrTXHUZBxbn40sWxvEmHPhsuvaoyyg/viewform?vc=0&c=0&</p> <p>2) Send your \$1000.00 deposit to Hilltop Children's Center by October 30th, 2019. There are two ways you can pay.</p> <p>CHECK / MONEY ORDER: Please send a check or money order in the amount of the deposit to the following address - Hilltop Children's Center Attn: Mike Browne 4 Nickerson St. #100 Seattle WA, 98109</p> <p>CREDIT / DEBIT CARD: Please note that there is a 5% processing fee for cards. If you would like to pay by card, please send an email to the following - Subject Title: Last Name_First Name_NZ Study Tour 2020_Deposit Email Address: institute@hilltopcc.org AND finance.department@hilltopcc.org Please state that you would like to pay by card Hilltop will then send you an invoice for the amount owed</p>
November 15, 2019	Notification for participants who have been accepted will be sent. Please do not purchase your ticket until you have received full confirmation from Eliana Elias and Ijumaa Jordan.
December 2, 2019	Applicants who can not be accommodated on this tour will receive their deposit back.
December 2, 2019	<p>Final payment is due. Please send your final payment to Hilltop Children's Center.</p> <p>Send your remaining balance to Hilltop Children's Center by December 2nd, 2019. There are two ways you can pay.</p> <p>CHECK / MONEY ORDER: Please send a check or money order in the amount of the remaining balance to the following address - Hilltop Children's Center Attn: Mike Browne 4 Nickerson St. #100 Seattle WA, 98109</p>

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December 1, 2019 through February 2, 2020	You will need to purchase travel insurance that includes the full cost of the tour. This is mandatory for all participants and it is meant to protect you!
December 1 through March 2019	You will receive information about the trip, final calendar of events, readings and additional information. We will be requiring proof of Travel Insurance in order to confirm your participation.
March 29th 2020 at 9 AM	Tour begins. Group will meet at the Sky Tower, corner of Victoria St. and Federal street in downtown Auckland, New Zealand. We will be transported by bus to our retreat center.
April 5, 2020 at 10 AM	Tour ends. Bus will drop all participants off at the Sky Tower, in downtown Auckland.

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