

Toronto Summer Institute

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From:

To: Our Community of Co-learners

Marsha Forest, Jack Pearpoint, John O'Brien, John McKnight, Te Ripowai

Higgins, Shafik Asante & Judith Snow.

WELCOME TO THE TORONTO SUMMER INSTITUTE, 1997

JAM: to take a theme, a question, a notion, a whim, an idea, pass it around, break it up, put it together, turn it over, run it backward, fly with it as far as possible, out of sight, never retreating......

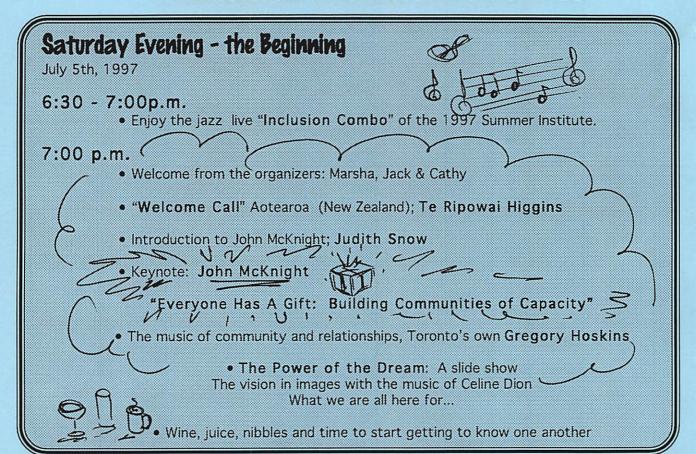
But yes, here it comes, homing in, changed, new, the essence, like nothing before.

Jamming
The Art & Discipline of Business Creativity by John Kao

Fasten your seat belts, a new and innovative learning experience for all of us is about to begin. We will take our theme of Inclusion, Community and Diversity and fly with it and as in the above quote we will all go home changed, new, the essence - like nothing before.

What this means in practice is that all of us must let go of what usually happens at workshops and conferences, must step boldly and bravely into the music and let the melody flow all week. Like Jazz there will be paradox which will create tension. Jazz & this Institute "will demand free expressiveness and disciplined self control, solitude in a crowded room, acceptance and defiance, serendipity and direction. And, like jazz, creativity is a process, not a thing; and therefore you can observe, analyze, understand, replicate, teach, and yes, even manage it." (pg. xix, Jamming)

Tentative Schedule of Events



Sunday

MADE

July 6th, 1997

9:00 a.m.

The Storytelling begins:

What is the Koru?

John O'Brien

Te Ripowai Higgins

How do we become "Members of Each Other."
Two hours of listening to one another.

(Lunch on the Town)

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. The Community Gathers:

Theme: "It takes a Whole Village to Raise A Child"

TEAMS, Together We Really Are Better, 4 metaphors for the week:

WN* All Star Company * Six Thinking Hats (
*Learning from the Iditarod *Scuba Rules: Never Dive Alone

Marsha Forest Jack Pearpoint

3:00 - 5:30 p.m.

What is Community?

Moving Ahead

Shafik Asante

e Judith Snow

7:00 p.m. Optional Gathering at Ethiopian Restaurant for a delicious feast! Queen of Sheba - 1198 Bloor St. West (536-4162) Authentic Ethiopian cuisine served in traditional manner, licensed, accessible. Eat with your fingers! (optional - estimated cost \$12)

Monday

July 7th, 1997

9:00 a.m. -12:00.

The Learning Marketplace
John O'Brien & Jack Pearpoint

Setting Up The Learning Marketplace

LUNCH

With NEW & OLD friends

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1:30 p.m. & on & on & on...

The Learning Marketplace is in FULL SWING

Tuesday

July 8th, 1997 9-10:00 Community Meeting Wednesday

July 9th, 1997

THE RESIDENCE

9-10:00 Community Meeting

Thursday

July 10th, 1997

9-10:00 Community Meeting

The Marketplace

Tuesday evening: 7:00 p.m.

Dinner at the Movenpic Marche (a creative dining experience)
42 Yonge St. (Yonge & Front) (optional - est. cost. \$20 - depends on what you eat!)

Wednesday evening:

• Candlelight Reflections with Shafik - Starlight Room - 7:30 on (optional)

• Italian Dinner at Rose Galati's (optional)

Friday

July 11th, 1997

9:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m.



Endings are beginnings: "The Gifts of Community."

In teams we hope the group will find the way to conclude the week.

Friday Afternoon

Have Fun!!!!!!

Friday evening

6:00 p.m. & on & on & on @ Inclusion Press - 24 Thome



Portuguese Chicken Extravaganza at Thome Crescent (see map)
We'll provide the chicken, you bring the rest.
HOSTS: The Summer Institute Team
Musical instruments welcome



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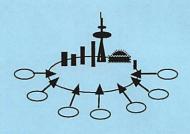
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The Learning Marketplace

Marsha Forest, Jack Pearpoint, John O'Brien

We got the idea for the Learning Marketplace from an author name Harrison Owen. (Book: *Open Space Technology*, Abbott Publishing, Potomac, Maryland, 301-469-9269). This is a new but tested approach to the enhancement of real learning for groups of 5 or 500. It has been used all over the world with corporations, community groups, government agencies, school systems, etc. Harrison Owen says, "As with most simple things, it is true that almost anybody can do it. It is also true that doing it well may require a lifetime of practice." (pg. 13 *Open Space Technology*).

We will initiate the Learning Marketplace of the Summer Institute on Monday morning. The purpose of the exercise is to create the best possible learning agenda for every person present - for the balance of the week. It is a unique opportunity to meet YOUR learning agendas - by NOT having a pre-fixed agenda. Our team will "post" several learning events - but none are compulsory. You decide. Given the limits of our capacities of time and talent - this is the most powerful tool we know to ensure that the highest priority learning issues are addressed for everyone. There is one requirement - you must participate in order to get your issues on the 'map'. It is a new and challenging tool that practices what so many preach about empowerment, learning and creating new organizational forms.

In the Learning Marketplace there is one law, and four guidelines.

The law:

"You have two feet (or four wheels)!"

Translation - you are empowered to do what you have to do to learn - you can move.

The Guidelines are:

- * The right people are here.
- * It begins when it begins.
- * It ends when it ends.
- * Whatever happens is the only thing that could have.

Basically, it shifts responsibility for your learning back to you - the only place it really can be. No one else can learn for you. Thus, you are empowered to ask for what you need, and do what it takes to get it. Together, all of us, have enormous capacity to try and meet those needs. We will do our best. It is about being proactive, asking, and not waiting for life to happen.

We are always excited, anxious and full of anticipation to see what a Learning Marketplace will become.

Good luck on our learning journey together!

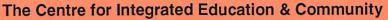
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Welcome to the Summer Institute 1997 Toronto Tips from Marsha and Jack

We are overwhelmed with the response to this year's institute and even had to start a waiting list as we do not want to exceed 150 people. There are participants from all over the world including Scotland, Australia, the USA, of course Canada and even a return visit from New Zealand by our dear friend Te Ripowai Higgins.

The Program for the Summer Institute is basically up to you. You can be at the Primrose all day and night in sessions, or go out on the town. How you learn best is up to you. We will have the Starlight and Rainbow Rooms available day and night.

We know part of the enjoyment is going to be getting to know one another and getting to know our great city. Toronto is a city of diversity. Walk the streets and you will find people from all over the world. The food is a kaleidoscope of great flavours from China, Italy, Thailand, Vietnam, Ethiopia, India, etc. Be adventurous.

The **theater scene** is alive and well. We urge you to take advantage of the stage productions - large and small. It is also a **great jazz city**. Visit **the Senator**, **Judy Jazz** at the Holiday Inn downtown and more.

Don't miss walking around the **Harborfront area** and if you have time visit **Ontario Place** a wonderful place to wander day or evening. There are free concerts and events regularly - plus there are other musical centres - for western - the **Horseshoe** on Queen, or the **Bamboo Club** - and more. Pick up a copy of **NOW Magazine** (free) for a listing of what's on.

One of favorite places is the **Toronto Island.** You can get the ferry at the bottom of Bay St. and go over to the Island where you can walk, rollerblade, rent a bike etc. It's a short ride and a lovely place to go in the evening with a picnic.

If you like heights our **CN Tower** is the tallest free standing structure in the world and has marvelous views from the top. You can also do some fun laser game stuff for the price of admission. There is a Plexiglas "floor" at the top which allows those who wish to stand "in the air".

Next door is the **Skydome** - which is worth seeing with or without baseball. You can get in "cheap" by having a burger at the Hard Rock Cafe - inside.

FOOD - eat yourself silly...

Food wise walk around the two **Chinatown** areas. There is one at Spadina and College and another at Gerrard and College area. A favorite activity of ours is Saturday or Sunday Dim Sum. These are yummy small dishes that are brought to your table on carts. Best time to go is brunch on Sat. or Sunday.

There are many places on Dundas (near the Art Gallery of Ontario) and our favorite in the Gerrard Chinatown area is called The Supergrand Seafood Restaurant 611-615 Gerrard Street East.

For amazing **Indian food** go further along Gerrard to around 1400 Gerrard East and choose your favorite Southern or Northern Indian place. Go to a sweets place for dessert. A good start for Indian barbecue Tandoori style is the **Shan E Hind Barbecue Hut** at 1455 Gerrard East.

Nearer to the Primrose Hotel is a creative restaurant that to us has the spirit of the Summer Institute. It's the **Movenpick Marche** at 42 Yonge Street (BCE Place) You go from stall to stall and pick your meal from a variety of amazing foods - fresh oysters, seafood, rosti potatoes, great breads and fabulous desserts. It is a really fun place to go as a group. Close by the hotel is **Young Thailand** and some other good Chinese and Thai Restaurants.

We can start a Restaurant Wall as well as other favorite hangouts. The late night scene is beyond us but we

are sure Sheldon will be able to help you out more on the late night scene.

There are several really **excellent museums: Royal Ontario Museum** - [ROM], the **Art Gallery of Ontario** [AGO], the **Science Centre** and the **McMichael Gallery** north of Toronto. For those on your first visit - a special pitch for the McMichael - a one hour drive to the world's best collection of the "Group of Seven Landscape Artists" - a unique and stunning Canadian collection.

A favorite activity of ours is just walking and wandering. An area called the 'Beaches' is fun to stroll through. The TTC (subway and bus system) is excellent and you don't have to worry about getting around if you hop on the TTC.

There are fabulous bookstores including the **World's Biggest Bookstore** which is in walking distance. We will also have the Inclusion Press Bookstore managed by Jonathan Hollands. Joel Hollands, Bryce Thomas and Cory Barnett will also be student helpers. Jonathan informs us that he will do anything to help you but he won't do money exchange rates. You can pay by check or cash. No credit cards. We can provide you with bulk copies at discount rates. See Marsha and Jack for special requests re books and videos.

For the shoppers there is the **Eaton Center at Yonge Street** (nearby) and you can shop till you drop. Every store on earth seems to be there.

If you get sick we recommend you head right for Mt. Sinai Emergency. 600 University Ave. It is not far from the hotel. The emergency number is: 586-5054.

Our wonderful friend and **chiropractor Dr. Shannon Dales** will treat you if you have any aches and pains. If you call her tell her or Sandra her receptionist that you are with Marsha and Jack at the Summer Institute. Her number is 968-0484 and the address is 99 Avenue Road. She works with a registered massage therapist Hui He. He's at the same number.

For quick lunches we urge you to walk over to Yonge or Church St. and walk North. There are many little spots for a quick and fast lunch or pick up a sandwich and have a picnic in the Park near the hotel. If you walk up Church St. about 10 minutes you will find a lively area of restaurants, a great Starbucks coffee place and Marsha's favorite store whether in Toronto, in England, at airports etc. THE BODY SHOP - a place full of delicious bubble baths, lotions, potions and other smelly stuff for bath and body.

OK what are we missing? There are too many Italian places to mention. For Kosher and Jewish foods you can go to the Bathurst and Eglinton area. You will not starve.

For out of town trips there is **Niagara Falls** about 2 hours away and as well you can combine the Falls with a trip to the beautiful wine country and the Shaw Festival at Niagara on the Lake.

For **Shakespeare fans** there is the **Strattford festival** which is also about a two hour drive in Strattford, Ontario.

CLOSING PARTY - Friday - 6:00 p.m. - 24 Thome Cres.

The plan is to end the Summer Institute with a Portuguese Chicken Fiesta at our home (see MAP) on Friday evening starting at 6 PM. We will provide the very best and spiciest Churasco Grilled Chicken and you provide the rest. Bring salads, desserts, treats, breads and beer, wine, juices, etc. We can party into the night. We have a piano so bring other instruments you wish to play.

We hope this has whet your appetite to explore Toronto. We know you will learn more if you are having a great and enjoyable time. If we can be of any further help don't hesitate to ask. We hope you have a great week of living and learning in Toronto.

Our hope is that at the end of the week you will say that this has been one of the best and most exciting and meaningful weeks of your life. We (the faculty) will do our part to make sure we are available to you and the rest is up to you.

MAKE IT SO!

Your Toronto hosts for the Summer Institute,

Marsha-Forest & Jack Pearpoint

PS Cathy Hollands will be in the office evenings, so if you need her leave a message on the answering machine and a number so she can get back to you. Our number is 416-658-5363. Our fax is 416-658-5067.



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Prod: Inclusion Press & Parashoot (60 min) A JOHN McKNIGHT Keynote - the openning of the Toronto Summer Institute in July, 1996. McKnight at his finest.

New MAPS Training Video * SHAFIK"S MAP * * *

Prod: Inclusion Press & Parashoot MAPS- step by step - John O'Brien facilitating Shafik Abu-Tahir's Map. How to make families partners in planning. Holistic, creative, colorful futures planning for people, families, organizations. + Judith Snow on Dreaming. (45 min)

N PATH Training Video

Introduction to Path

Prod: Inclusion Press & Parashoot (35 min) Exciting, creative, colorful futures planning tool. Jack & Marsha demonstrate 8 steps with an individual and his family.

An excellent introduction - linked to the PATH book.

NEW Friendship: It's About Time

Produced by Vision TV, Exec. Prod: Rita Deverell, Prod: Sadia Zaman A 27 minute video exploration of friendship: joys, heartaches and maintenance, featuring Marsha, Jack and Judith.

Members of Each Other

Building Community in Company With People

With Developmental Disabilities

John O'Brien & Const. John O'Brien & Connie Lyle O'Brien

Remarkable & thought provoking - about building community

Yes! She Knows She's There

Nicola Schaeffer's Update to: Does She Know She's There? This is the adventures of Nicola and Catherine over the last decade -moving into a house, surviving - a Must read for every family with a young adult... {available in the Spring)

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An Annotated Bibliography of Selected Children's Literature Gary Owen Bunch NEW! on Disability

An exciting guide to positive stories about children. An excellent resou for every classroom, family and human service organization.

Petroglyphs **Petroglyphs**

Institute on Disability: Univ. of Hew Hampshire photo essay on Inclusion in High School. An outstanding book in the UNH series - uncompromising, inspiring narative - elegant.

Inclusion News The Center's independent annual newspaper - articles & resources you need. It has raving fans!

5th printing Path: 2nd Edition **Planning Possible Positive Futures**

Pearpoint, O'Brien, Forest

A guide to exciting, creative, colorful futures planning for families, organizations and schools to build caring "including" places to live, work & learn. Graphics unleash capacity. Path - an eight step problem solving approach involving dreaming and thinking backwards. Color graphic included!

2nd printing The Inclusion Papers

Strategies to Make Inclusion Happen

Jack Pearpoint & Marsha Forest Practical, down to earth and sensible. Perfect for conferences, courses and workshops. Circles of Friends, MAPS, articles about drop-outs, kids at risk, Medical School course and more ... graphics, poetry, overheads.

What's Really Worth Doing

& How To DO IT! by Judith Snow A book for people who love someone labeled disabled - possibly yourself. "This is a book of wisdom - an invitation to the dance of life." John McKnight

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<u>All My Life's a Circle</u>

0 Using the Tools: Circles, MAPS & PATH M. Falvey, M. Forest, J. Pearpoint & R. Rosenberg Introduction to circles, MAPS & PATH - a great place to start!

Changes in Latitude/Attitude Inst. on Disability, NH The Role of the Inclusion Facilitator - beautifully presented - the experience and wisdom of inclusion facilitators in New Hampshire.

Action for Inclusion 5th printing

by O'Brien and Forest with Pearpoint, Snow & Hasbury Over 15,000 copies distributed - "A down to earth blueprint of what 21st century education ought to be doing for all kids in regular classrooms. Modest but powerful strategies for making it happen in a jargon -free, step-by-step book." Herb Lovett, Boston

L'Intégration en Action: Maintenant disponible en Français

From Behind the Piano 3rd printing

Building Judith Snow's Unique Circle of Friends by Jack Pearpoint afterword: John O'Brien
This is the story of Judith Snow & her Joshua committee.
It demonstrates that love, determination and hard work will conquer An inspiration for anyone struggling to make a difference

Classic Videos

Kids Belong Together

Prod: People First Assoc of Lethbridge, Alta Featuring the late Fr. Patrick Mackan – a celebration of friendship – MAPS in action.

With a Little Help From My Friends

Prod: M. Forest & G. Flynn The basics of creating schools where all kids belong and learn together. Hands on strategies - MAPS & Circles of Friends.

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Together We're Better Viceo

Producer: Comforty Media Concepts Staff Development Kit: a 2 hour video 3-pack of resources with Marsha Forest, Jack Pearpoint and Judith Snow demonstrating MAPS, PATH and CIRCLES. An inspiration.

Miller's MAP

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Prod: Expectations Unitd & Inclusion Press Children, parents, neighbors and professionals make inclusion happen-team facilitation and graphics in a MAP.

Friends of ...Clubs

Producers: Oregon Dept. of Education & University of Oregon A beautiful 15 min. story about creating community partnerships. Friends, friends, friends - the spark of life.

Dream Catchers

Producer: Institute on Disability, NH New 16 minute video about dreams and circles of friends. Beautiful images, personal stories, images of the future. An inspiration.

Inclusion Exclusion Poster

by Jack Pearpoint A vibrant eye catching 18" X 24" graphic poster exploring the why behind Inclusion and Exclusion.

Lessons for Inclusion

Curriculum to Build Caring Elementary Classrooms - Inst. on Disability, U of MN Step by step - day to day in elementary classrooms. Outstanding collection of curriculum ideas proven in classrooms in Minnesota.

Treasures Inst. on Disability, NH

Photo essay on friendship - images of children of New Hampshire explains how to include everyone. Just do it.

Reflections on Inclusive Education

Patrick Mackan C.R. Stories and reflections for your family, assemblies, classrooms, church.

Don't Pass Me By: Gary Bunch

Writings from "street kids" labelled illiterate: "bad, sad, mad and can't add".

All Means All! Pon't Defend Inclusion: Make Others Defend Segregation!

The Whole Community Catalogue

editor: D. Wetherow

Indispensable guide for building communities and supporting inclusion. Beautifully organized, chock full of ideas, quotes, resources.

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