

# REGISTRATION

## Attendee Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a(n):

(Please check all that apply)

Assistant     Parent     Teacher

Administrator     Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment Information

Course tuition is \$850. A \$150 deposit or full tuition must accompany this registration form. Any balance is due on or before August 23.

Schools receive a discount for sending 5 or more attendees:

5-9=\$765/person; 10 or more = \$720/person

Enclosed:

\$100 deposit

\$850 full payment

\$720 discounted payment

\$765 discounted payment

Schools must submit  
a registration form  
for each attendee!



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# MISD Assistants Course

August 23-28, 2011  
Montessori Institute of San Diego



*To serve the children is to  
feel one is serving the  
spirit of man, a spirit  
which has to free itself.  
- Maria Montessori*



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## COURSE DETAILS

### *What is Montessori Education?*

The Montessori approach offers a broad vision of education as an aid to life. It is designed to help children with their task of inner construction as they grow from childhood to maturity. It succeeds because it draws its principles from the natural development of the child. In the LAssistants Course, special attention is given to the planes of development, the sensitive periods and the importance of movement, language and independence in the life of a child.

### *What is the role of the assistant?*

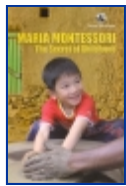
This workshop will address the role of the adult who supports the guide to maintain the equilibrium of a Montessori prepared environment. Focus on the assistant's work will include the art of observation and how to discern a need for intervention without interference. Attendees will learn how to allow the child to become more independent. Understanding Dr. Montessori's philosophy of freedom and discipline will lead to gaining the children's trust within an atmosphere of mutual respect. Assistants will practice using grace and courtesy within this community, and they will learn to value the order and beauty of the prepared environment.



### *Required Reading*

Please purchase the following books by Maria Montessori from NAMTA ([www.montessori-namta.org](http://www.montessori-namta.org)) prior to the course. We recommend that you begin reading as soon as possible.

*The Secret of Childhood*



*The Child in the Family*



*The Absorbent Mind*



*Education and Peace*



## FACULTY



### **Dr. Silvia C. Dubovoy**

Dr. Dubovoy is an Assistant to Infancy and Primary level trainer, lecturer, consultant, and examiner for the Association Montessori Internationale (AMI) worldwide. She has been involved in Montessori education since 1965, as a parent, board member, and coordinator of her children's school. Dr. Dubovoy holds a Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Barcelona. She also has the AMI Primary, Special Education, and Assistants to Infancy diplomas. Dr. Dubovoy was a Board member of AMI, headquartered in Amsterdam, from 1982-2010. She currently serves on numerous AMI committees and is one of the AMI representatives to the United Nations. As a psychologist she studied and worked with Dr. Carl R. Rogers, a humanistic psychologist.

### **Kristin Edwards**



Kristin Edwards, co-founder and director of Lifetime Montessori (San Diego, CA) has devoted her life to children. She received her BA in psychology from the University of New Hampshire with a focus on child psychology and she minored in education. She found her calling as a Montessori teacher while working at a school in Santa Barbara, California. A year later, she received her AMI Primary Diploma from MISD and her Master's in Education from Loyola University Maryland. Kristin opened Lifetime Montessori in 2007.

### **Cristina De Leon**

Ms. De Leon holds a B.A. in clinical psychology from Centro de Enseñanza Técnica y Superior in Tijuana, Mexico and a Master's in Pedagogy from State University of Pedagogy Studies and an M.Ed. from Loyola University Maryland. She received her AMI Primary and Elementary diplomas from MISD and worked from 1998 to 2003 as a Primary teacher at Scripps Montessori School in San Diego, CA. She has been Dr. Dubovoy's course assistant since 2003 and currently serves as an AMI Auxiliary Trainer.