

FOSTERING THE DIVINE IN CHILDREN

Clouder, Christopher and Janni Nicol. *Creative Play for Your Toddler*, 2008, 128 pages.

The Steiner Waldorf philosophy aims to help children develop naturally and holistically in mind, body and spirit. The toys in this book will awaken the imagination and stimulate the creativity of your toddler. This practical and informative book offers: an expert summary of Steiner theory and practice for children aged 2-4; advice on helping your toddler develop through creative, imaginative play; and, simple step-by-step instructions for over 20 natural, home-made toys.

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Cornell, Joseph. *Sharing Nature with Children*, volumes I and II, 1998.

Not just a book, but a powerful approach to nature education. The first edition of this book sparked a worldwide revolution in nature education, and became a classic. Newly revised and expanded for its 20th anniversary, it now has 50 fascinating games for children of all ages. Boy Scouts of America, American Camping Association, National Audubon Society, and many others recommend *Sharing Nature with Children*.

372.357 Cor SNC

Danks, Fiona and Jo Schofield. *Nature's Playground*, 2007, 192 pages.

Introducing children to the excitement of the natural world, this guide provides hours of creative, safe, and fun activities. Invigorating games, natural crafts, and lively adventures, all of which are organized by season, encourage children to turn off the television and play outside all year-round. An additional chapter addresses safe activities for children after dark.

372.357 Dan NP

Green, Marian. *A Calendar of Festivals*, 1991, 160 pages.

Month by month, *A Calendar of Festivals* explores the fascinating details of seasonal customs – what they are and what they represent, their original meanings, where they are continued and their relevance to us today. Recipes, songs and activities are included too.

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Jaffke, Freya. *Toymaking with Children*, 2010, 142 pages.

The toys which surround children in their early years can have a profound effect on their developing skills, creativity, and imagination. Freya Jaffke, an experienced kindergarten teacher, explores the nature of children's play and shows how different toys are suitable for different ages. The book has instructions for making a wide variety of toys. Presented in a clear step-by-step manner, all the instructions are fully described and illustrated.

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Kohl, MaryAnn and Cindy Gainer. *Good Earth Art*, 1991, 223 pages.

Using natural and recycled materials, a creative variety of art projects develop an awareness of the environment and encourage a caring attitude toward the earth.

J 745.5 Koh GEA

Kohl, MaryAnn and Jean Potter. *Global Art*, 1998, 189 pages.

Over 135 projects provide exciting ways for young ones to travel the world. The easy-to-do activities use everyday household items to create sculptures, decorations, paintings, drawings, and much more. Each artifact to be made is accompanied by a map showing the geographic location of its source and fascinating information on its native land, culture, or history.

J 745.5 Koh GA

Kohl, MaryAnn and Jean Potter. *Science Arts*, 1993, 142 pages.

Children explore the world of science through art with these open-ended experiments categorized by scientific topic. Hundreds of art activities amaze and delight children as they discover the magic of crystals, light, constellations, plants, and more. *Science Arts* is a unique approach to learning basic science concepts.

J 745.5 Koh SA

Kohl, MaryAnn and Kim Solga. *Discovering Great Artists*, 1996, 142 pages.

A creative collection provides 110 easy art appreciation activities for children aged 4-12. These amazingly fun and unique art activities allow children to experience the unique styles and techniques of some of the great masters from the Renaissance to the present. A brief biography of each artist is included with a fully illustrated, child-tested art activity, featuring painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, architecture, and more!

J 709.22 Koh DGA

Leeuwen, M. van, and J. Moeskops. *The Nature Corner*, 2008, 87 pages.

Seasonal nature tables are an invaluable way of making young children aware of the changing cycle of the year. With simple materials, and basic knitting and crocheting skills, a series of colorful and effective tables can be made at home or in school for depicting the seasons and major festivals.

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Martin, Laura. *Nature's Art Box*, 2003, 215 pages.

This guide offers 65 fun projects kids will love to make, using materials they can find just about anywhere. She explains how to make paints and inks from flowers and other plants; how to use shells, moss, seedpods, and cones to embellish large objects; how to build elf-sized furniture; how to decorate picture frames, birdhouses, and keepsake boxes with woodland treasures; and how to dig clay, weave vines, and make natural dyes to color T-shirts.

J 745.5 Mar NAB

Martin, Michael. *Educating through Arts and Crafts*, 2008, 210 pages.

Written by experienced Waldorf craft teachers, this large, comprehensive book presents many ideas for craft activity classes, whilst analyzing their role in the student's self-discovery

and creative development. *Educating Through Arts and Crafts* argues for the importance of creativity and craft-based classes throughout a child's life in school.

371.391 Mar ETAC

Oppenheimer, Sharifa and Stephanie Gross. *Heaven on Earth*, 2006, 235 pages.

Heaven on Earth balances theoretical understanding of child development with practical ideas, resources, and tips that can transform family life. Readers will learn how to establish the life rhythms that lay the foundation for all learning; how to design indoor play environments that allow children the broadest skills development; and how to create backyard play spaces that encourage vigorous movement and a wide sensory palette. Through art, storytelling, and the festival celebrations, this book is a guide to build a "family culture" based on the guiding principle of love.

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Sealey, Maricristin. *Making Waldorf Dolls*, 2005, 157 pages.

This well-illustrated book will give the most nervous beginner the confidence to produce a unique handcrafted toy from natural materials. Once you have mastered the basic baby doll, you can progress to a more ambitious limbed or jointed doll. It is a valuable primer, full of practical tips, simple designs, and clear instructions.

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Strauss, Michaela. *Understanding Children's Drawings*, 2007, 96 pages.

Early artistic expressions contain important statements about children's development. From the first scratches and scribbles up to the detailed sketches of houses and people, children's drawings are significant manifestations of inner processes, and indications of the gradual incarnation into a physical body.

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Thomas, Jennifer. *Masterpiece of the Month*, 1990, 96 pages.

Students learn about artistic concepts by looking at great works of art. Included are follow-up activities using crayons, chalk, tempera paint, and more to reinforce learning.

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Video Recordings

Ballam, Michael. *The Power of Creativity*, 2007, 56 minutes. DVD.

Explore the profound effect active participation in the realm of creative activity holds for children. This presentation is a must for anyone who has a love of children and hope for the future.

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