

JANE BROWN'S ADOPTION PLAYSHOPS



Parent Playshop • September 19th 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Playshop A • September 20th 9:00 a.m. for the 5 - 6 year olds

Playshop B-1 • September 20th at 1:00 p.m. for the 7 - 10 year olds

Playshop B-2 • September 21st at 9:00 a.m. for the 7 - 10 year olds

Playshop C • September 21st at 1:00 p.m. for the 11 - 14 year olds

PARENT PLAYSHOP

New this year is a workshop in which parents engage in playful, creative, experiential activities much as the children do in the playshops. Through this format, parents will gain insight of how their children experience these activities and in the process be able to express their feelings, issues and challenges. This session will be very different from topics in the past and provides hands-on and interactive participation. Please join us for this fun, active and unique learning experience. Informal childcare arrangements can be facilitated if needed. Please let us know at the time of your registration and we can connect you with others to make these plans.

THE CHILDREN'S PLAYSHOPS

Jane has designed Playshops to give children an opportunity to explore their ideas about their adoption and to interact with their peers. The Playshops are relevant to all adopted children and Jane uses multi-sensory games and props to encourage the children to discuss their feelings about being adopted. She helps children understand that the questions and thoughts they have about adoption are normal and help them acquire skills they can transfer to settings with all of their peers. This year's

Playshop B and C will benefit from the presence of a birthmother to help the older children identify with the third member of the adoption triad. Each Playshop is 120 minutes in length. Children will participate independently with parents in an adjacent room.

The maximum enrollment per Playshop session is 25 children.

For approximately 60 minutes following each Playshop, Jane will debrief the parents to advise them about the discussions and issues that arose during the Playshop. During this debriefing period, the Playshop participants will be supervised in an adjacent room.

- **Playshop A** is designed for adopted children who, at the time of the Playshop, will be 5 or 6 years of age.
- **Playshop B-1 and B-2** are designed for adopted children who, at the time of the Playshop, will be between the ages of 7 and 10. There are two Playshops times for this age group due to the number of children in this age group expected to attend.
- **Playshop C** is designed for adopted children who, at the time of the Playshop, will be between the ages of 11 and 14.

Jane A. Brown M.S.W.

Jane is a social worker and educator with years of experience working with children. She is both a mother (of eight) and an adoptive parent (five of her children are internationally adopted from Korea, China and Hong Kong) and a grandmother. A well known speaker on adoption matters, Jane is a member of the editorial board of *Adoptive Families* magazine. Jane brings her professional knowledge and first hand experience to the challenges faced by both adoptive parents and children.

Holiday Inn Select Mississauga

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Presented by FCC Toronto, Children's Bridge, Family Outreach International and Open Arms to International Adoption



ADVANCE REGISTRATION ONLY

REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO JUNE 27, 2008. Confirmation of session will be made by email only. For further information please contact Marion Maye at [mayebailey@rogers.com](mailto:maye Bailey@rogers.com) (preferred) or phone at 519-938-8500.

PLEASE NOTE: In an attempt to be fair to all involved, we are unable to process any registration forms that are postmarked prior to June 27, 2008. So have your registration ready, mark your calendar and drop it in the mail on June 27. We will be processing on a strictly first come, first served basis. You will be advised if the session you have requested is full and given the option of another time or a place on the waiting lists.

Parent(s) Name(s) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

| Child's Name | DOB | Birth Country | Previous Year(s) Attended (circle applicable) | | | |
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Number Attending

- Parent Seminar Friday September 19, 7:00pm _____ x \$30.00 = _____
 - Playshop A (5 - 6 year old) Saturday, September 20 at 9am _____ x \$60.00 = _____
 - Playshop B-1 (7 - 10 year old) Sunday, September 21 at 9am _____ x \$60.00 = _____
 - Playshop B-2 (7 - 10 year old) Saturday, September 20 at 1pm _____ x \$60.00 = _____
 - Playshop C (11 - 14 year old) Sunday, September 21 at 1pm _____ x \$60.00 = _____
- TOTAL = _____**

Comments:

Send completed form and a cheque (payable to FCC Toronto) **POSTMARKED NO EARLIER THAN JUNE 27** to:
Marion Maye, 29 Hawthorne Road, Orangeville, ON, L9V 1A2

THE LOCATION: Holiday Inn Select Mississauga

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The hotel is offering a special group rate of \$89.00 for a room with one king bed that can accommodate 2 people and \$109.00 for a suite with several beds and can accommodate up to five people. Mention "FCC Toronto" when you phone to book your rooms.

Note: Any surplus funds from this event will be divided amongst the organizations and will be donated to their charitable projects.