

**Montessori for Social Justice 2017 Conference
Waltrip High School, 1900 W 34th St
Houston, TX**

Thursday, June 22, 2017

Montessorians of Color Retreat

Friday, June 23, 2017

6:30 – 7:15 Zumba

7:45 – 8:30 Registration & Breakfast

8:30 – 12:30 1st Time Attendees: Crossroads: Introduction to Systemic Racism
2nd Time Attendees: Dialogue Race Workshop from the Center for
Healing Racism

12:30 – 1:30 Lunch

1:30 – 3:00 1st Time Attendees: Continue with Crossroads: Introduction to
Systemic Racism

2nd Time Attendees: Workshops

1. *Cosmic Intimacy- Human Growth and Development* -
Koren Clark, Wildflower Schools Consultant, Oakland, CA
2. *Eliminating Assumptions and Buzzwords: Embracing
Anti-Bias Work in our Montessori Classrooms and
Communities* – Tiffany Jewell, Montessori School of
Northampton, Northampton, MA

3:00 – 3:15 Break

3:15 – 4:45 Community Building, Check-ins and/or Networking

(This is for 2nd Time Attendees; 1st Time Attendees will have a short
break before the keynote speaker and may join in this time too!)

5:00 – 6:00 Keynote Speaker: [Trisha Moquino](#)

6:00 – 8:30 Dinner (Networking and Open Space Session Planning)

Saturday, June 24, 2017

6:30 – 7:15 Cardio

7:00 – 9:00 Breakfast & Registration

7:45 – 8:45 Networking (This session is based on the developmental planes you work with/are interested in.)

8:30 Conference Kick- Off!

9:00 – 10:30 Session 1:

1. *A Montessori Coaching School Model – Coaching as a Means of Constructing School Community* - Hannah Richardson, Director of Curriculum and Instruction at Breakthrough Montessori and Elizabeth Slade, National Center for Montessori in the Public Sector
2. *The Peacemaking Circle Process* - Kathy Minardi, Whole School Leadership
3. *Our First Year: A Public Charter Montessori Reflects* – Erica Adams, Stonebrook Montessori Charter School, Cleveland, Ohio
4. *Establishing the ABAR "Lingua Franca" in Montessori School Communities* - Faybra Hemphill and Nicole Evans, City Garden, St. Louis, Missouri
5. *Academic Equity: How One School is Striving to Reduce Disparities in Reading Achievement* – Sara Cotner, Magnolia Montessori For All, Austin, TX

10:30 – 11:00 Break

11:00 – 12:30 Session 2:

1. *Unraveling Structural Racism* – Serving the Whole Child: A Partnership Between the Montessori Center of Minnesota's Program Montessori Partners Serving All Children and St. Catherine University
2. *Freedom and Discipline: Revamping Outdated Procedures and Routines* – Britt Hawthorne, Wilson Montessori Magnet School, Houston, TX
3. *The DC Montessori Teacher Residency: A Model for Urban Public Montessori Schools* – Katie Brown, National Center for Montessori in the Public Sector
4. *Grounded In Our Purpose Through Montessori Storytelling* - Daisy Han and Castle O'Neill, Wildflower Schools, Cambridge, MA
5. Open Space Session

12:30 – 1:30 Lunch

1:30 – 3:00 Session 3:

1. *Eliminating Assumptions and Buzzwords: Embracing Anti-Bias Work in our*

Montessori Classrooms and Communities – Tiffany Jewell, Montessori School of Northampton, Northampton, MA

2. *Montessori's Hidden Curriculum and Radical Reconsiderations* – Maggie McCaffery and Alaina Szostkowski, Mayflower Early Childhood Center, Minneapolis, MN
3. *Community Organizing: Developing Parent and Organizational Leadership* – Terry Ford and Jai Brisbon, Lumin Education, Dallas, TX
4. Open Space Session
5. Open Space Session

3:00 – 3:30 Break

3:30 – 5:00 Session 4:

1. *Public Montessori Book Workshop* – Mira Debs, Yale University
2. *Montessori for All Communities: How Montessori Partnerships for Georgia is Expanding Access to Montessori Education* – Annie Frazer, Montessori Partnerships for Georgia
3. *Supporting English Language Learners* – Karen Farquharson, Montessori del Mundo, Aurora, CO
4. *Historical Truths and Montessori's Roots* - Koren Clark, Wildflower Schools Consultant, Oakland, CA
5. Open Space Session

5:00 – 6:00 MSJ Annual Meeting

6:00 – 8:00 Dinner

Sunday, June 25, 2017

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

8:45 – 12:30 [Welcoming Schools Workshop](#) – Kimmie Fink

8:45 – 2:45 MSJ Board Retreat

12:30 – 1:30 Lunch & Departure