



• CALIFORNIA KINDERGARTEN ASSOCIATION PRESENTS •

The Professional Development WORKSHOP SERIES

DATE & TIME

Thursday,
August 27, 2020
1:00 pm

FEATURING

**Bernadette Pilar Zermeño
and
Sara Rizik-Baer**

LOCATION

Live via Zoom

COST

Free!



Bernadette Pilar Zermeño is a movement maker, community mobilizer, and early childhood educator. With over fifteen years of experience in early education, she remains passionate about working alongside adults and children to facilitate lifelong learning beginning at the earliest ages.

As an educator, Bernadette is a dedicated advocate for hands-on, personalized, whole child-centered learning. In the world of early childhood in the Oakland Unified School District, Bernadette was a founding dual immersion Transitional Kindergarten (TK) teacher.

Bernadette has taken her passion and drive for supporting the earliest learners outside of the walls of TK and into an adult setting, focusing on Bay Area Preschool, TK and Kindergarten teachers. In addition to being a literacy specialist and Preschool/ TK professional development provider with SEEDS of Early Learning, she currently works also as an Adjunct Professor of Early Childhood at Chabot College in Hayward, and a SEEDS coach. She has presented at a national education conference on research focusing on dual language immersion in early education, and she continues to research new, effective ways to support home language as an asset.

Bernadette's drive and determination for early education and transformational change has led her to pursue humanizing education in early education while working on her doctorate at Mills College.



Sara Rizik-Baer believes in the power of children's books to foster critical thinking and the life-long pursuit of knowledge. Sara serves as Deputy Director of Tandem, Partners in Early Learning, a Bay Area non-profit dedicated to the pursuit of an equitable and just society where all children enter school ready to succeed. Sara's holistic view of the urban education landscape is informed by the multiple roles she has assumed in the field as a family literacy specialist, literacy coach, and bilingual teacher. Sara holds a Master's of Language and Literacy from Harvard University and a BA in Comparative Literature and Spanish from Oberlin College.

Storytime Magic

In this online class, participants will learn how "serve and return interactions" build brains and language, and literacy skills. We will review the latest research on the subject and apply it to reading aloud. We will practice specific interactive read aloud strategies that spark joy in book-sharing while also supporting healthy brain development and early language acquisition

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