

Reggio Emilia International Study Tour

15 - 19 April 2024

It is with pleasure that the R.E. Provocations committee invite you to join us on the 2024 Study Tour to Reggio Emilia, Italy. As a member of the International Network of Reggio Children we are organising a delegation from New Zealand to visit Italy and see first-hand the Reggio Philosophy and Educational Approach to teaching and learning within their Preschools and Infant Toddler Centres.

Your week in Reggio Emilia is truly a wonderful experience, with participants arriving with a host of questions and often leaving with many more. We have been taking these study tours since 1995 and there has always been an element of surprise as the week unfolds.

You will visit the town of Reggio Emilia led by the Friends of Reggio Children, engage with presentations from pedagogistas, atelieristas, and teachers who work at the Loris Malaguzzi International Centre as well as in Reggio Emilia's Infant-toddler Centres and Preschools. They will provoke your thinking and challenge your practice, we will visit an Infant and Toddler centre and be immersed in a Preschool for a morning. We also visit the REMIDA Centre which is full of recycled resources as well as the Loris Malaguzzi School.

Reggio Children are very open and willing to share their journey. There is always something to be discovered, something to challenge your thinking, something to be emotional about, as you weave your way through the week of encounters, provocations and dialogues.







## Costs

- Shared Twin Room \$4,045 per person
- Single Room \$4,735 per person
- The cost for accompanying persons not attending the course is \$1,000.00

All prices are in New Zealand dollars
Prices exclude flights

## Our Study Tour package includes:

- Accomodation for 7 nights (13-20 Apr) at Hotel Europa
- Conference registration costs
- Daily buffet breakfast at Hotel Europa
- Buffet lunch and light refreshments during full conference days (Monday-Friday)
- Walking tour of Reggio Emilia

## **Payments**

- A deposit of \$1,000 per person is required with registration and \$250 for any accompanying persons
- 50% of the tour and accommodation cost is required by 19 January 2024
- Payment of the balance of tour and accommodation cost is required by 1 March 2024

  Receipts will be issued upon receipt of payments

#### **Cancellation Terms**

The following cancellation criteria stands so please make yourself fully aware of this:

- Cancellation after the 19 January 2024 until 1 March 2024, 50% of amount paid
- Cancellation after the 1 March 2024, no refund

### **Travel Insurance**

Travel insurance is a **mandatory requirement** of joining this study tour. Confirmation of insurance is to be provided with your final payment. If you cancel after the airfares have been paid, your travel insurance will have to be used.

#### **Accommodation**

We have arranged accommodation at **Hotel Europa**, which is a modern, four-star hotel, set within central Reggio Emilia. Options include a share twin or a single room configuration. A full breakfast is included.

## **Flights**

If you wish to travel with the group, we are happy to support you in arranging your flights through our travel agent. **The airfares are not included in the study tour costs above.** 

#### **Tour Dates**

The dates for the international conference are scheduled from the **15th to the 19th of April 2024**. If you are planning to travel with the group, we have outlined preliminary arrangements. Our intent is to arrive in Reggio Emilia on Saturday, the 13th of April. This proposed schedule would necessitate your departure from New Zealand on Friday, the 12th of April. It is important to note that these dates are currently tentative and subject to adjustment.

Additionally, the journey back to New Zealand for the group is slated to begin on the 20th of April 2024. Please bear in mind that these dates may be modified due to unforeseen circumstances or logistical considerations. As the travel plans progress, we will ensure to provide you with further updates and any necessary changes to the itinerary.

#### A quote from a participant from a past tour.

"I loved my tour to Reggio Emilia. The course was without a doubt a truly inspiring experience and I'm hoping to do the next level next year. The tour organiser always listened and responded to anyone's wants and needs (and there were a few), had good local knowledge and found us some lovely authentic dining experiences in the evenings so it was fun to compare notes about the course and chat about how little Italian we could speak. We had a few laughs and met some great people. I was traveling alone from Christchurch so it was extremely comforting to be introduced to some other New Zealanders during my tour. I'd thoroughly recommend everything about the whole trip."

## What we offer

- Small group size
- Experienced & knowledgeable tour leaders
- Dinners arranged
- Regular opportunities for discussion
- Competitive prices
- Lot of fun!

# Ready to Register?

To register, or to find out more information please email:

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