



18th World Conference for Gifted and Talented Children

August 3 - 7, 2009

THE SHERATON VANCOUVER WALL CENTRE HOTEL

Vancouver, Canada

Mark your Calendar to attend!

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IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission Opens	August 2008
Online Registration Opens	October 2008
Abstract Submission Deadline	January 30, 2009
Author Notification of Acceptance	March 2009
Early Registration Deadline	June 5, 2009
Hotel Reservation Deadline	June 29, 2009
Regular Registration Deadline	June 29, 2009



WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

On behalf of the **World Council for Gifted and Talented Children, Inc.** and the Local Organizing Committee, we are pleased to invite you to the **18th Biennial World Conference** taking place in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada from August 3 to 7, 2009. Educators from around the world will attend: please join us in this unique educational and cultural experience.

This is an exciting time for those in the field of high ability children. The **18th Biennial World Conference** will be a great opportunity for teachers, researchers, parents and students from around the world to share the most up-to-date information regarding the science and advances in programs and practice. Many specialists from a wide range of disciplines will participate in the program and their presentations will provide delegates with information on the latest developments. A special Young Summit will be held during the week with exciting topics of great interest to young investigators.

In addition to the outstanding scientific program, visitors will be able to enjoy the culture and sights of Vancouver and surrounding areas. Your options are limitless with the Vancouver Aquarium, the Capilano Suspension Bridge, fantastic views from Vancouver Lookout Tower, Grouse Mountain, Science World, Stanley Park, many fantastic restaurants and shopping areas, the beautiful Pacific Ocean, or a short ferry trip to Vancouver Island. There are many excursions to suit your interests. August is a wonderful time to visit, and we encourage you to extend your trip and get to know the rest of British Columbia as well.

We look forward to seeing you in Vancouver for a stimulating and enjoyable conference.

Janice Leroux, PhD | 18th WCGTC 2009 Chair



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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Keynote Speakers
Featured Sessions
Workshops
Round Table Discussions
Parent Strand

Poster Display
Youth Summit (off-site)
Symposia
Networking Social Events

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

At the **18th Biennial World Conference**, our objectives are to:

- Share and discuss recent advances in programs, planning and practices in the field of high ability learners
- Review advances in classroom practice and how they apply to personalizing your teaching
- Discuss administrative options emerging throughout the world
- Review parent developments for families with special needs children
- Provide youth summit activities to increase skills and networking in high ability learners
- Support the career development of educators and researchers with an interest in gifted and talented children

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The **18th Biennial World Conference for Gifted and Talented Children** is the largest international gathering of teachers, administrators, faculty, researchers and parents in the field of gifted and talented learners. Those interested in all aspects of this field, from experienced teachers to junior teachers, faculty members to administrators, human resource promoters to parent advocates, are all encouraged to attend this conference.

SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITION INFORMATION

The **18th Biennial World Conference** offers a tremendous opportunity to market to one of the largest international gatherings of researchers, teachers and administrators. Over 600 delegates from around the world are expected to attend.

For more information regarding sponsorship & exhibition opportunities, please contact:

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