

Workshop Site and Agenda

The workshop will be held in the Library/Theater Building at Caldwell College, Caldwell, New Jersey. For registration information and directions, contact Maurya Farah, Workshop Coordinator, at (908) 508-0273 or by e-mail: LEFARAH@aol.com.

Presenters

Arnold Miller, Ph.D., a clinical psychologist, is Executive Director of the Language and Cognitive Development Center of Boston as well as Affiliate Professor of Psychology, Clark University. His previous faculty appointments were at Boston University, University of Montana and Harvard Medical School. He coauthored the book *From Ritual to Repertoire: A Cognitive-Developmental Systems Approach*, John Wiley and Sons, with his wife, speech and language pathologist, Eileen Eller-Miller and is author of a number of articles concerned with developmental disorders.

Stephen Shore, doctoral candidate at Boston University and author of the book *Beyond the Wall*, describing his experience of and recovery from autism, will also present at the workshop.

“Roberta’s eye contact has improved tremendously, as well as socialization skills.”

– Miller Method parent



The Language and Cognitive Development Center

Founded by the Millers in 1965, the Language and Cognitive Development Center (LCDC) is now an internationally known training center for teachers of children with special needs.

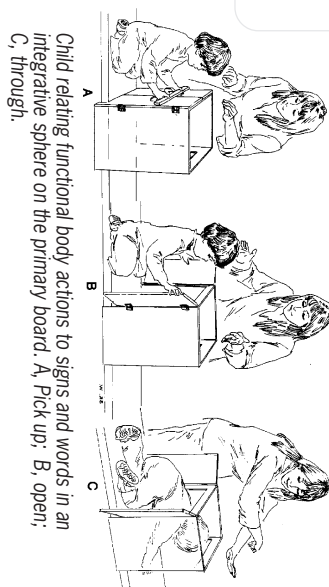
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The Center also conducts **Videoconferencing Oversight** with parents, teachers, and caregivers in remote locations, via ISDN and internet protocols. Please inquire for details.

Miller Method workshops are held throughout the year. For the latest schedule, contact LCDC or visit www.millermethod.org.

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A Cognitive-Developmental Approach
for Preschool and School Age
Children on the Autism Spectrum

A TWO DAY WORKSHOP
AT CALDWELL COLLEGE
OCTOBER 10 – 11, 2003



Child relating functional body actions to signs and words in an integrative sphere on the primary board. A, Pick up; B, open; C, through.

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at Caldwell College
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“Paul is starting to verbalize more and more and has begun to have more imaginary play. I am very hopeful for him.”

– Miller Method parent

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THE MILLER METHOD® assumes that each child – no matter how isolated or disorganized – is trying to find a way to cope in a confusing world. Our task is to help that child use all his or her capacities or fragments of capacities to attain that goal. Developed by clinical psychologist Arnold Miller and speech and language pathologist Eileen Eller-Miller, the method provides a structured, child sensitive, developmental approach for children with autism and pervasive developmental disorders. Teachers, therapists and parents collaborate in helping the child integrate sensory experience with body function and then move, step by step, into social and communicative exchanges and the ability to represent the world via symbolic play, pictures, speech, reading and writing.

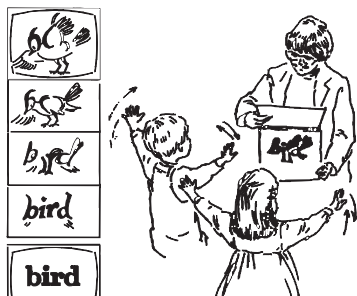
“Stephen now reads books on his own. He initiates conversations and listens...”

–Miller Method parent

Goals of the Workshop

The major goal is to share with professionals and parents effective means of building on the strengths of children on the autism spectrum. As participants become familiar with the approach they will be able to

- transform disordered behavior into functional activity
- guide the children from closed or scattered ways of being into social and communicative exchanges
- help the children represent the world via symbolic play, pictures, speech, reading and writing.



Children relate actions to words with Symbol Accentuation®

Illustrations are from the Millers' book *FROM RITUAL TO REPERTOIRE*; Wiley, New York (1989). The book, as well as other LCDC programs and materials are available from:

Cognitive Designs, INC. P.O. Box 151, Waban, MA 02168

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Workshop Day One

- 08:00 Registration and Refreshments
- 08:30 Introduction: Dr. Angelo Vilardi, Superintendent of the Morris County Educational Services Commission**
- 08:45 Underlying Issues in the World of Children on the Autism Spectrum**
Arnold Miller
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 Assessing Children on the Autism Spectrum**
- 11:00 The Miller Method Through the Eyes of a Man Emerging from Autism**
Stephen Shore and Arnold Miller
- 12:00 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:15 Body Organization and Space: The First Developmental Frontier**
Arnold Miller
- 02:15 Break
- 02:30 Social & Communicative Capacity: The Second & Third Developmental Frontiers**
Arnold Miller
- 04:00 End of First Day

Workshop Day Two

- 08:00 Refreshments
- 08:30 Representing Reality: The Final Developmental Frontier**
Arnold Miller
- 09:30 Come Back Jack: PBS documentary showing the Miller Method in action**
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 The Symbol Accentuation Reading Program***
Arnold Miller
- 12:00 Lunch
- 01:00 Results of a Parent-Driven Survey on the Effect of the Miller Method**
Arnold Miller & Stephen Shore
- 01:30 Parents' Panel: Personal Experiences with the Miller Method**
Chaired by Prof. Bruce Auerbach — parent
- 02:30 Break
- 02:45 Administrators of Park Lake, Crossroads & Oak View Schools Report on Their Miller Method Programs**
- 03:45 Questions and Answers**
- 04:00 End of Workshop

MILLER METHOD WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

For parents of special children

Parent _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone () _____
 Age of special child _____
 Diagnosis _____

Wish to meet other parents of children similar in age and diagnosis

For Professionals

Name _____
 Affiliation _____
 Discipline _____
 Degree _____
 Address _____
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Workshop Location

Library/Theater Building
 Caldwell College, Caldwell, NJ
 October 10–11, 2003

Registration Fees and Payment

\$185. (lunch on your own)
 \$100. for a parent of a special child

Please make out your check or money order to LCDC and mail to

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 PO Box 270 / 11 Wyman Street
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 1-800-218-5232

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Name on card: _____
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