

Lady Bird Johnson Centennial

Symposium on Early Childhood Education

November 8, 2012

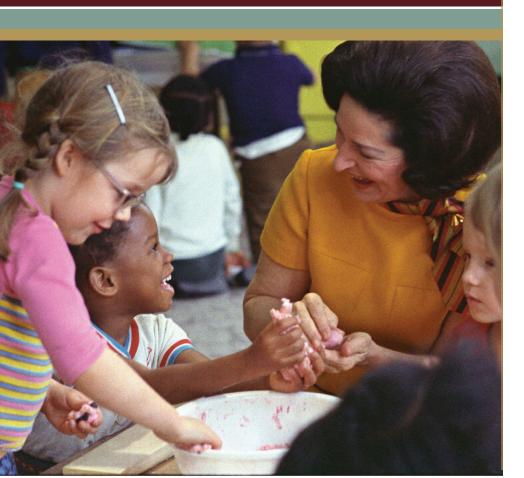
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Texas State University is celebrating the legacy of Lady Bird Johnson and her impact on early childhood education.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of Mrs. Johnson's birth, and the Texas Legislature has declared 2012 Lady Bird Johnson Centennial Year. Her work with the original Head Start program, her service in the war on poverty and her role in Great Society programs still impact millions of lives.

To honor Mrs. Johnson's contributions, this symposium will address the issues, progress and challenges facing our nation's youngest residents.

Please join us.



"I do not ask the children to stop thinking about play. Our contract reads more like this: if you will keep trying to explain yourselves I will keep showing you how to think about the problems you need to solve."

— Vivian Gussin Paley, Wally's Stories, 1981



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Vivian Gussin Paley

SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

1:00 – 1:15 p.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Dr. Stan Carpenter, Dean, College of Education

1:15 - 2:45 p.m. Practitioner Panel

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Moderator

Dr. Rosana Rodríguez, Director of Development, Intercultural Development Research Association

Panelists

Ms. Audrey Abed, Program Operations Director, Child, Inc. Ms. Carol Armga, Adjunct Faculty at Texas State University; Former Director of Head Start Center

Ms. Suad Hooper, Head Start Program Director, Community Action, Inc. of Central Texas

Dr. Daniel King, Superintendent, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. Policy Panel

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Dr. Libby Doggett, Director, Pew Home Visiting Campaign, Pew Center on the States

Mr. Cleo Rodriguez Jr., Executive Director, National Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Association

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Keynote Session Albert B. Alkek Library Teaching Theater

Welcome

Dr. Eugene Bourgeois, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Texas State University

Screening

A documentary film: Lady Bird Johnson & The Legacy of Head Start

Remarks

Dr. Denise M. Trauth, President, Texas State University
Ms. Luci Baines Johnson, daughter of Lady Bird Johnson

Keynot

Ms. Vivian Gussin Paley, teacher, author and MacArthur Fellowship "Genius Grant" recipient "The Beginning of Community: A Nurturing Ground"

Closing

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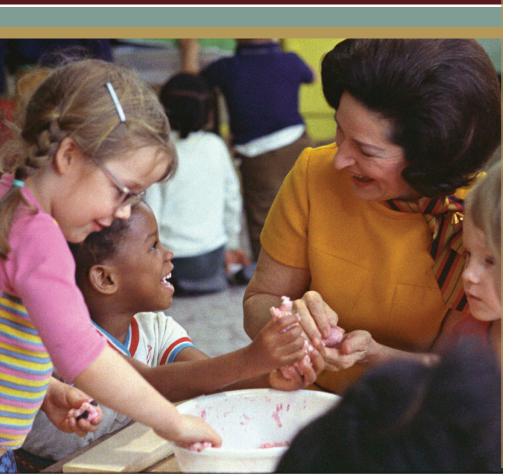
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