

# creating kids

an urban childcare center

**Creating Kids** childcare center ... is dedicated to serving the needs of children and their families in an urban setting. A full time, year-round program provides families with the childcare they need. The children spend their day in a small group within a stimulating environment designed for learning and loving. It is a center which supports the development of creative teachers and children.

**Creating Kids** children ... are jewels. The staff work together to unearth and polish each one. We believe children are curious, competent and capable; they are creating kids! The tools for our work include the theory of 'multiple intelligences' where linguistic, musical, spatial, physical, mathematical, naturalist, interpersonal and intrapersonal skills all are valued.

**Creating Kids** curriculum ... emerges from a rich physical environment and is both cognitive and cross-cultural. Children and caregivers reach into the layers of their lives to create curriculum "webs." Making connections and reflecting on life in the City are part of the curriculum. The program draws from the music, dance, theater and visual arts resources in the City and uses its children's museum to complement the curriculum.

**Creating Kids** community ... is a socially, ethnically and economically diverse group of children, their families and staffpeople. Relationships within the Center and with its neighbors are based on respect and reciprocity. **Creating Kids** is a community enriched by children with special needs.

**Creating Kids** caregivers ... are resourceful and resonant teachers. The professional staff teach and use flexible thinking and problem-solving skills while working with their group of children to realize and embellish their moments of discovery and inquiry. The unique educational background of each teacher inspires the program.

Sandra Malmquist  
Director

## Staff

Bachelor's degrees in liberal or fine arts, child development or early childhood education

## Hours

8:00 am to 5:30 pm  
Monday through Friday

## 2011-12 Monthly Fees

\$1425 Big Kids  
\$1600 Mid Kids  
\$1655 Babies & Toddlers

Tuition support available through:  
New Haven School Readiness Program  
United Way Tuition Support Fund  
Care4Kids

Snacks provided.

Enrichment program fees included.

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