

The Montessori Mystery Unveiled

Annual Report: Fiscal 2022

Dear Fellow Montessorians:

Fiscal 2022 has been an interesting year for The Montessori Mystery Unveiled. Although we did not release any new publications, we continued to assist children, families, and guides via user-friendly parent education paperbacks and e-books. *The Peace Table*, which outlines peace education practices introduced and reinforced in the Primary prepared environment, has become our most popular title. In a world full of increasing conflict and unrest, interest in implementing conflict resolution and negotiation skills using the Primary Casa's framework of freedom of choice within natural limits is encouraging.

Also gratifying in Fiscal 2022 was author Mary Da Prato's inclusion at the 2022 Holiday Cheer book signing at the Oregon Historical Society in Portland, Oregon. Ms. Da Prato was one of sixty-six authors showcased at the December 4th gathering. Despite the harsh winter weather, over three hundred visitors attended the event. While signing and selling copies of the B Cubed Press poetry anthology, *Poetry for the Thoughtful Young*, Ms. Da Prato touted the benefits of the Montessori Method. One guest had never heard of Dr. Montessori or her amazing pedagogy, making the presence of a Montessorian at a non-Montessori event crucial for visibility.

As alternative educators hoping to become mainstream, we cannot afford to be insular and survive. For this reason, The Montessori Mystery Unveiled's Fiscal 2023 plans include publishing a long-awaited Primary Language title, submitting a picture book manuscript to mainstream publishers, and continuing outreach to public libraries in order to maximize accessibility to modern-day, high-fidelity, authentic Montessori principles. In the meantime, please ask your public librarian to purchase books from The Montessori Mystery Unveiled to help your local community who cannot afford tuition or want to learn more about Montessori's holistic, child-centered philosophy so they can choose Montessori education for their children over daycare.

With each project The Montessori Mystery Unveiled undertakes, we hope to make universal access to accurate, quality information about the Montessori Method a reality in order to create a more peaceful world.

Kindest regards,

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