

# HEALING TOGETHER

*East Bay Chapter CAAEYC's Annual Newsletter 2021-2022*

## Greetings from your East Bay Chapter Board of Directors!



**Hello East Bay Chapter  
community!**

We are inspired to be building  
more just and loving early  
learning spaces alongside you.

Your East Bay Chapter CAAEYC organization is managed  
by a **volunteer board** that includes **nine officers**:

**President, President-Elect, Past President, Vice-  
President, Treasurer, Secretary, Public Policy Chair, a  
Regional Representative for Contra Costa, and a  
Regional Representative for San Francisco.**

This July 2022, you elected four Board members - Linda Olivenbaum, Dr. Yohana Quiroz, Janice Thompson, and Janani Krishnakumaar. These four members join Michelle St. Germaine, Elaine Merriweather, Dr. Isauro Escamilla, Margie Costello-Chevis, and Anna Wolde-Yohannes to complete your 9-member East Bay Chapter Board. A **whole-hearted welcome to our new and returning Board members!**

On behalf of our East Bay Chapter community, we offer our deepest gratitude to this year's departing Board members - Dayna Turner, Jodi Becker, and Michelle Grant Groves - for their inspired service and leadership through the years. They continue to serve our East Bay Chapter and Early Childhood communities with distinction and we strive to build upon the legacies they've created.

### IN THIS ISSUE

#### GREETINGS FROM YOUR EAST BAY BOARD

#### EVENT RECAP:

- **2021 - EARLY EDUCATOR COMMUNITY HEALING CIRCLES**
- **2022 - BOARD MEET + GREET, ADVANCING EQUITY & EMBRACING DIVERSITY IN ECE THROUGH LEARNING STORIES**

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### JOIN US!

- **Drop us a note at [ebaeyc@gmail.com](mailto:ebaeyc@gmail.com) to get involved!**

# Early Educator Community Healing Circles



Last fall, we listened to community feedback and pivoted away from our planned workshops to offer community members the time and space to nourish our own wellness and mental health amidst persistent challenges.

On Nov 13 and Dec 11, 2021, Board member and experienced circle keeper Jodi Becker hosted intimate gatherings of early educators for deeper reflection, connection, and healing in community.

**"Heart Share was the most healing moment I've had in a long time."**

**" It was wonderful! Thank you for holding the space for our healing!  
I am grateful to all who help to make this resource available!"**

## HELP US GROW!!

Passionate about  
Early Childhood?

Want to connect with other  
inspiring ECE leaders?

Interested in volunteering for  
events, or even hosting your own?

Our chapter is always looking for passionate  
volunteers like you who are dedicated to  
advancing the principles of equity &  
belonging in ourselves,  
our work spaces, and beyond.

**JOIN US! EMAIL US [EBAEYC@GMAIL.COM](mailto:EBAEYC@GMAIL.COM) TO GET INVOLVED  
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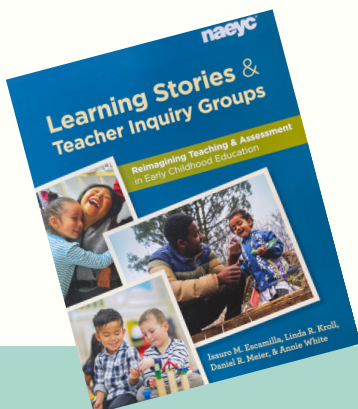
# Board "Meet & Greet", plus "Advancing Equity & Embracing Diversity in ECE through Learning Stories" workshop



On May 7, 2022, the East Bay Chapter Board of Directors greeted members at our annual "Meet the Board" event and shared new ways for membership to connect and get involved!

We also hosted Board Vice President, Dr. Isauro M. Escamilla, who reignited our profound love for teaching with his moving, heart-felt storytelling, passion, and wisdom for transforming our work and relationships with children by honoring our most authentic stories and selves.

**"Dr. Escamilla is a masterful speaker who conveys meaningfully and powerfully the what, why and how of learning stories and the need to advance equity and embrace diversity in ECE programs. Thank you so much for this extremely informative presentation! I deeply appreciate it!"**



**"This was such a powerful and enjoyable workshop. I appreciate the format, resources provided, and the examples of the learning story. Thank you!"**

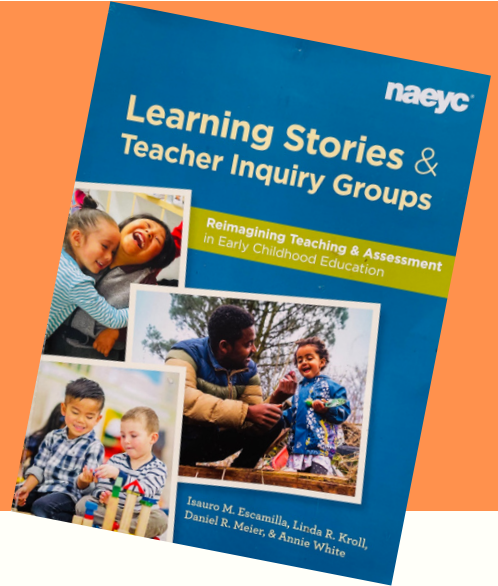
## SUPPORT OUR WORK!

To support our East Bay Chapter in its ongoing mission to promote excellence and equity in early childhood and help us continue to offer high-quality events in the future, please consider making a donation today. Visit [bit.ly/DonateEastBayChapter](https://bit.ly/DonateEastBayChapter) to donate.





# ¡Próximo Evento! Upcoming Event!



## Historias del Aprendizaje

**el sábado 29 de Octubre, 10:30 AM -12:00 PM**

Dr. Isauro M. Escamilla Ed.D. compartirá su perspectiva sobre cómo la filosofía de Historias de Aprendizaje de Nueva Zelanda puede ayudar a avanzar la Equidad en la Educación Infantil en las escuelas de California.

**Saturday October 29th 10:00 AM-12:00 PM**

Dr. Isauro M. Escamilla Ed.D. will share his perspective on how New Zealand's Learning Stories philosophy can help advance Equity in Early Childhood Education in California early education schools.

**¡Haga clic para registrarse!  
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