Sara Bloomberg

**Experienced Montessori Educator**

Dedicated Montessori educator committed to student growth and adult education

I strive to create authentic Montessori environments in which children grow intellectually, academically, spiritually, emotionally and physically using the Montessori philosophy and materials. I will support children as they develop independence, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills and help children and teachers reflect and collaborate with like-minded peers. I will create environments in which all children see themselves reflected in their teachers and in their school community; build diverse communities which respect children and adults of all gender identities and provide a school community, which is respectful of all familial makeups.

Relevant Work Experience

**Publication Experience**

Montessori Collaborative World Review: Social Justice Journal Gender Diversity Article

Montessori Life: Queering your classroom

Presenting Experience

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| American Montessori Society Event | Gender Diversity and Equity Workshop | Washington DC | 2019 |
| Colorado Montessori Association Event | Gender Diversity and Equity Workshop | Denver, CO | 2019 |
| Montessori Alliance of Tennessee | Gender Diversity and Equity Workshop | Nashville, TN | 2019 |
| MEPI Conference | Gender Diversity and Equity Workshop | Kiawah Island, SC | 2020 |

**Adult Teacher Education Experience**

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| Montessori Philosophy, Art, Management and Child Development Course InstructorMontessori Philosophy Instructor  | Duhovka TEPSAPMS  | Amelia Island, FLSt Augustine, FL | 2019-present 2016-2019 |
| Field Consultant | WSMP TEP | New York, NY |  2015-2016 |

**Adult Education / Consulting**

* Provide Professional Development for schools, helping to reevaluate teaching practices, school and classroom culture, and design of the environment to support gender diverse students, staff and families.
* Work with schools to implement a curriculum that supports gender diversity and equity, providing resources and assistance for successful implementation.
* **Teaching Experience**

Head of Orange Tree Montessori Play Group 2019 - present St Augustine, FL

* Opened a new Montessori Play group with one 3-6 class in 2019.
* Perform duties of a lead guide: curriculum and lesson planning, making materials, recording keeping.
* Prepare for and perform Parent Teacher conferences.
* Communicate regularly with families.
* Create and lead Parent Education events.

Head of Early Childhood Division and Teacher 2017 - 2019 St Augustine, FL

St Augustine Public Montessori

* Opened a new Montessori Division.
* Met with prospective families and led admissions for the school.
* Interviewed new employees, reviewed resumes, screened candidates, and led hiring of new employees.
* Perform all the duties of a lead guide, including curriculum and lesson planning, making materials, recording keeping.
* Prepare for and lead Parent Teacher conferences.
* Communicate regularly with families.

Interim Head of School/Consultant 2017 St Augustine, FL

St Augustine Public Montessori School

* Mentored all Teachers.
* Created and led Parent Education events.
* Ran Public Charter School for a few months and was a consultant for the school.
* Communicated regularly with families.
* Mentored all Teachers.
* Created and led Parent Education events.

Head of School and Lead Guide 2013 - 2016 New York, NY

Battery Park Montessori

* Opened a new Montessori School.
* Met with prospective families and led admissions for the school.
* Interviewed new employees, reviewed resumes, screened candidates, and led hiring of new employees.
* Led exmissions for the entire school.
* Presented curriculum nights and open houses for prospective families.
* Perform all the duties of a lead guide, including curriculum and lesson planning, making materials, recording keeping.
* Prepare for and lead Parent Teacher conferences.
* Communicate regularly with families.
* Mentored all Teachers.
* Create and lead Parent Education events.
* Performed all duties of a Lead Guide.

Lead Guide, April 2008-2013 New York, NY

Leman Manhattan Preparatory School

* Collaborated with parents who were seeking services for their children.
* Led parent education events.
* Supervised assistant teacher.
* Ran Parent Conferences.
* Wrote exmissions reports.

Lead Guide and Mentor 2004-2008 New York, NY

Washington Market School

* Performed all duties of a Lead Guide.
* Mentored teachers and ran Teacher education.
* Collaborated with parents who were seeking services for their children.
* Led parent education events.
* Supervised assistant teacher.
* Ran Parent Conferences.
* Wrote exmissions reports.

Lead Guide 1996-2004 New York, NY

West Side Montessori School

* Performed all duties of a Lead Guide.
* Mentored teachers and ran Teacher education.
* Collaborated with parents who were seeking services for their children.
* Led parent education events.
* Supervised assistant teacher.
* Ran Parent Conferences.
* Wrote exmissions reports.
* Performed all duties of an Assistant Teacher

Assistant Teacher 1995-1996 Brooklyn, NY

Brooklyn Heights Montessori School

**Consulting and Teacher Education**

Upcoming Montessori Life Article on Gender Diversity and Equity 2020

Upcoming Webinar on Gender Diversity and Equity for West Side Montessori School 2020

Duhovka Montessori Teacher Education 2019

Parent and Teacher Consultant for St Augustine Public Montessori School 2017-2019

Parent and Teacher Education for Montessori Day School 2015-2016

Parent and Teacher Education for Casa Montessori 2010-2011

Teacher Education for Red Hook Play Group 2010-2011

Teacher Education for Washington Market 2004-2008

Math Instructor for WSMS TEP 2002-2004

Summary of Work Experience

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| Employer | Job Role | Location | Date |
| Duhovkha Montessori TEP  | Teacher Educator | Amelia Island, FL  | June 2019-Present |
| Orange Tree Montessori Play Group | Director and Lead Guide | St Augustine, FL  | October 2019 - Present |
| St Augustine Public Montessori School | Head of Early Childhood Lead Primary Guide | St Augustine, FL  | June 2018 – June 2019 |
| St Augustine Public Montessori School  | Assistant Guide lower Elementary  | St Augustine, FL  | August 2017 – June 2018 |
| St Augustine Public Montessori School  | Interim Director and Consultant | St Augustine, FL | December 2016-August 2017 |
| Battery Park Montessori  | Founding Director | New York, NY | January 2013 – June 2016  |
| Leman Manhattan  | Lead Primary Teacher | New York, NY | August 2008-June 2013 |
| Washington Market School | Primary Teacher and Teacher Educator | New York, NY | September 2004– July 2008 |
| West Side Montessori School  | Lead Teacher | New York, NY  | January 1996-June 2004 |
| PS 261  | Assistant Teacher  | Brooklyn, NY  | August 1995-December 1995 |
| Brooklyn Heights Montessori  | Assistant Teacher  | Brooklyn, NY  | August 1994 – June 1995 |
| Children’s Aid Society  | After School Teacher  | New York  | August 1994- June 1994 |

Professional Development

1998 – Present Attend Annual AMS Conference each year

2019 Attended Colorado Montessori Alliance Conference

2016 – 2017 West Side Montessori Teacher Education Program Field Consultant

2015 – 2016 Supervising Teacher for Intern from West Side Montessori TEP

2012 Responsive Classroom Level 1 training

 2008 Supervising Teacher Intern from Columbia University

 2008 Montessori Presenter, Washington Market School

 2008 Reggio Emilia Week Conference, Reggio Emilia, Italy 7 days

 2007 Occupational Therapy Workshop,

 2007 Reggio Emilia Workshop,

 2003 Yoga Teacher Training Certification

# Education

Director’s Credential May-2019-August 2019 FL

AMS Early Childhood Teacher Credential WSMS TEP 1998 NY

MA Early Childhood Education NYU 1998 NY B.A.L.A SUNY Purchase 1992 NY

# Licenses/Certifications

 Florida State Director’s Credential

 New York State and New York City Permanent Certificate (N-6)

 American Montessori Society Certification, early childhood (ages 2 1/2-6)

References Available Upon Request.