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# Playeum Children's Centre For Creativity Professional Development Course: **Learning Through Play**



**Children's Centre for Creativity**

Playeum is an independent charity that champions children through play and creativity. We believe that play and a creative environment nurtures confident and future-directed children who are pro-active meaning makers and able to take on their roles as pro-active citizens. Playeum, Children's Centre for Creativity provides a unique training environment set within interactive hands-on exhibition.



## **Director of Pedagogy Playeum**

Dr Esther Joosa (PhD) is a well-known creative practitioner, training consultant and researcher. Within Playeum, she was the creative director of the fourth hands-on exhibition 'Making it Home' and takes on the role of Director of Pedagogy. The content of the workshops and training are designed to meet the needs of educators, children and the community. The workshops are conducted in her unique practice-centered style. She combines hands-on activities with dialogue about child development and observation, documentation and reflection.

**In play, a child is always above his average age, above his daily behaviour; in play, it is as though he were a head taller than himself  
(Lev Vygotsky, 1896-1934)**



To meet the growing interest of play in teaching and learning in early childhood, Playeum provides an exciting range of professional development workshops, as well as contextualised training programs for your organisation featuring the role of play in holistic child development. Tailored to the initiatives of ECDA, Playeum presents two levels of 'Learning through Play' professional development workshops. The design and delivery of these training programs are conducted by Playeum's Director of Pedagogy, Dr Esther Joosa.

The ECDA endorsed workshops allow early childhood educators to explore Playeum's environment, gain knowledge and skills to facilitate learning through play and to put into practice the role of documentation to evidence young children's learning. With expert guidance and facilitation through case studies and hands-on engagement, the workshops nurture ideas for the facilitation of play.

Course Title	<i>Learning Through Play: Building Competence and Skills of <u>New</u> Early Childhood Educators in Facilitating Play</i>	<i>Learning Through Play: Building Competence and Skills of <u>Experienced</u> Early Childhood Educators in Facilitating Play.</i>
Learning Outcomes	A beginning knowledge to understand the role of play in learning based on key concepts in historical developments and contemporary literature about the purpose of play in learning;	A good knowledge to understand the role of theory play in learning based on key concepts in historical developments and contemporary literature about the purpose of play in learning;
	Skills to facilitate children's play and use of play materials;	Able to display strategies and skills to document the learning processes and design learning environments that facilitate children's play;
	Gain a positive disposition to the role of play in learning	Able to show a strong disposition to advocate the role of play in learning
Duration	16 Hours	16 Hours
Dates	24 August 2020, 9am to 5pm 26 August 2020, 9am to 5pm 11 September 2020, 3pm to 5pm	<u>1st Run:</u> 22 June 2020, 9am to 5pm 24 June 2020, 9am to 5pm 10 July 2020, 3pm to 5pm  or <u>2nd Run</u> 7 September 2020, 9am to 5pm 9 September 2020, 9am to 5pm 25 September 2020, 3pm to 5pm
Location	Playeum Children's Centre for Creativity Block 47 Malan Road #01-23 109444 Gillman Barracks	
Fees before subsidies	<b>\$400*</b>	

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