

A Friends Special Education School

The Mary McDowell Center for Learning is an independent, Friends school for children with learning disabilities. As its guiding principle, the Center believes that every child with learning disabilities can learn with the support of a community dedicated to specialized teaching, cooperation and respect. The Center's approach is grounded in the Quaker values of respect for individuals, personal and social responsibility, peaceful resolution of conflict, the importance of diversity and the value of service. Challenging and building on the strengths of each child, the Center cherishes the uniqueness of every student.

The Mary McDowell Center's Annual Prominent Speaker Series brings respected educators, scholars and clinicians to Brooklyn to give parents, teachers, professionals and community members an opportunity to learn and interact with experts about learning disabilities and education. Now in its 25th year, the Center's Prominent Speaker Series is part of the Center's outreach program, which includes the Adventures in Math and Science Day and workshops for educational professionals and parents.

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STRATEGIES THAT DON'T WORK WITH KIDS WHO STRUGGLE ... AND STRATEGIES THAT DO

A Presentation By

Rick Lavoie

Wednesday, November 18th, 2009

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Refreshments at 3:30 pm

Mary McDowell Center for Learning

135 Summit Street

(Between Henry and Hicks Streets)

Brooklyn, NY 11231

(718) 625-3939

Early Registration ... \$20

After November 1st ... \$25

Sponsor Registration ... \$150

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Directions

By Subway

Take the F or G train to Carroll Street.
Exit near intersection of 2nd Street and Smith Street.
Walk north on Smith Street towards 1st Place.
Turn left at 1st Place.
Pass Court, Clinton and Henry Streets.
At Henry Street, 1st Place becomes Summit Street.
School is on the right toward the end of the block.

By Car

(from Manhattan)
Take Brooklyn Bridge, which exits onto Adams Street.
Adams becomes Boerum Place. Take a right at Atlantic Avenue. Take a left at Court Street. Follow Court for approx. 1/2 mile. Turn right at President Street. Turn left at Henry Street, and right at Woodhull Street. Turn right at Hicks Street, and right at Summit Street.



Rick Lavoie has served as an administrator of residential programs for children with special needs since 1972. He holds three degrees in Special Education and has served as an adjunct professor or visiting lecturer at numerous universities including Syracuse, Harvard, Gallaudet and Manhattanville College. He serves as a consultant on Learning Disabilities to several agencies and organizations including Public Broadcasting Service, New York Times and National Center for Learning Disabilities. Rick is probably best known for his video "[How Difficult Can This Be?: The F.A.T. City Workshop](#)" and many award winning books and films related to the education of children and adolescents with special needs.

In our field, there are numerous techniques that are frequently and extensively used despite the fact that these strategies are ineffective. This workshop will demonstrate these strategies and explore the reasons why they simply do not work for some children. The second half of the seminar will outline effective alternative methods made up of unique and field-tested techniques that can be used by parents and professionals to modify and improve children's behavior and performance.

Registration Form

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Check appropriate boxes

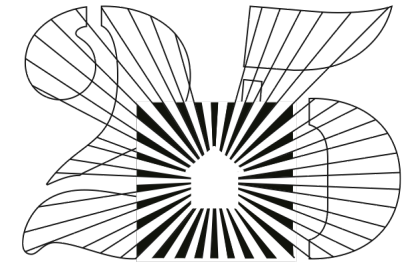
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REGISTRATION FEE

- \$ 20 Early Registration
- \$ 25 After November 1st, 2009
- \$ 150 Sponsor Registration
- \$ ____ I cannot attend but would like to make a donation.
- \$ ____ Total Enclosed

Additional registration forms are available on the Mary McDowell Center website.
www.marymcdowell.org

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**Private Reception for Sponsors
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Attend a Private Cocktail Reception with Rick Lavoie

6:15pm to 7:45pm

Help Us Sponsor This Event

As a sponsor, you'll attend Rick's presentation with reserved seating,
followed by a private cocktail reception.

Join us for this unique opportunity to chat with Rick in an intimate setting.

Space is limited. Please register before November 1st.

Sponsor registration is \$150 per person.

(See brochure for registration form.)