

FULL CIRCLE PRESCHOOL

Summer is in full swing at Full Circle. While we are a year-round program, we host a Pre-K graduation in June each year to honor our oldest children as they prepare for Kindergarten. This year is particularly special, as it marks Full Circle's fifth birthday, and our first ever infants are graduating onto Kindergarten—it has truly come full circle! We would like to congratulate the following Pre-K graduates as we enjoy the summer with them before they embark on their next learning adventure: Moshe Taylor-Spero, Sander Bieber-McFadden, Misha Cronin, Louisa Katz, Everett Valentine, Rahm Harari, and Sylvin Peter. It has been an honor learning alongside these amazing children. Mazel Tov!

In July, our current toddler teacher, Racheal Ouellette, will enter a new role as Curriculum Coordinator. This new role will enhance our nature-based teaching approaches and Jewish curriculum and offer further teacher and child support through hands-on learning experiences. Racheal will work directly with the teachers on supporting interest and play based curriculum in alignment with Vermont Early Learning Standards. She will spend time in all classrooms supporting documentation of learning and overseeing a Full Circle blog for families to see what each class is learning about and exploring in their play curriculum. This allows our learning community to grow as we welcome **Andrea Hulse**y to the OZ Family and preschool teaching team.

Andrea has been in the early childhood field for over eight years. She graduated with an Elementary Education degree in 2013 from the University of Vermont. Andrea realized she wanted to be a teacher when she was in elementary school. She had incredible teachers who expanded their teaching through a hands-on approach. Andrea believes that children learn best through their own interests and play with support through a strong, loving teacher. Working with young children brings Andrea great joy. Her passion is watching children grow emotionally, mentally, and socially through peer interactions and the world around them. When she is not in the classroom, she loves spending time outdoors with her husband and golden retriever, cooking with her friends and family, and gardening. Welcome, Andrea!

Throughout the summer, we look forward to gardening, exploring the life within our woods, singing in the sunshine with Cantor Steve, and hosting family beach and berry picking days as we celebrate five years of our lovely little synagogue preschool. We are sending you all love, solidarity, and joy.

~ Erika Geremia

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