

Family & Caregiver Events 2025

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We are excited to share with you the 2025/26 WECAN Family & Caregiver Event Series - a unique initiative designed to support families, caregivers, and educators in understanding and nurturing young children from birth through seven years of age.

Partnerships between families and teachers are essential to children's healthy growth and development. WECAN has created these offerings to help build bridges, deepen understanding, and foster meaningful collaboration. Together, we are so much stronger, and we can create a brighter future for our children.

This year, we are offering three events: one in October, one in January, and one in February.

The summer CARE 1 Conference, The Arc of Becoming, inspires our fall event on October 22, continuing a collaboration between the Anthroposophical Medicine and Birth-to-Three sections. This event will feature Debbie Laurin and Dr. Adam Blanning. Their presentation will explore the sense of touch and its vital role in supporting young children during the early years of life, from both a medical and pedagogical perspective.

On January 14, Nancy Blanning will lead an evening devoted to understanding grade one readiness in Waldorf schools. This talk will help illuminate the process for families as they accompany their children through the vital transition from kindergarten to grade school.

To close the series, Dr. Adam Blanning will return on February 25 with a follow-up to last year's presentation on the spiritual development of the child. This time, the focus will turn to the spiritual growth, development, and biographical journeys of the adults who live with and care for young children.

We look forward to welcoming you to these events.