

GSHKOZIWIIN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

“Awaken the imagination ~ Feel wonder and awe”



ORIENTATION WORKSHOP

With Austin Clarkson, Ph.D., Beverly Clarkson, M.A. and
Staff of the Milkweed Collective

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, September 16, 2017

Barrie Native Friendship Centre, 175 Bayfield Street, Barrie ON L4M 3B4, Tel 705 721 7689

Awaken the imagination, enliven the mind and body, move the soul, call in spirit 🌿 The creative process is a quest for inner vision 🌿 Visions become designs 🌿 Each of us is an artist in our own way 🌿 There are no mistakes 🌿 Thoughts, feelings, and emotions flow 🌿 Colours, lines and shapes are messengers 🌿 We make oil pastel drawings 🌿 We share drawings in small circles and tell stories about them 🌿 We respect our stories 🌿 We teach each other 🌿 We learn from each other 🌿 We grow and transform 🌿 We gain confidence and self-esteem 🌿 We form community 🌿

TOPICS:

- 🌿 Reflective learning and visioning
- 🌿 Educating the imagination
- 🌿 Art and identity
- 🌿 Creative activities informed by Indigenous voices and practices
- 🌿 Styles of teaching and learning
- 🌿 Creative process and ceremony
- 🌿 Resilience and empathy
- 🌿 Use of personal stories
- 🌿 I and Other

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER

Call or email Austin Clarkson: 1-416-231-5060, clarkson@yorku.ca

Workshop fee: Pay what you can up to \$40. Art materials provided. Bring a lunch
Microwave, hot and cold beverages available

You may bring a stone with personal meaning

The Workshop is presented in collaboration with the Barrie Native Friendship Centre

For more information on the Milkweed Collective: www.exploringcreativity.org

The Milkweed Collective is dedicated to practicing the arts and promoting personal growth and community in a culturally diverse context. Since 2000 Milkweed has given public shows of artwork and workshops on creativity for children, youth and adults. From 2002 to 2013 the artist-teachers provided the **Exploring Creativity in Depth Program (ECiD)** to over 6,000 children and youth from priority schools of West Toronto. Milkweed programs received support from the Ontario Arts Council, Toronto Arts Council and Ontario Trillium Foundation. In 2015 the **Kreativ U-turn Project** trained seven emerging artists to facilitate the ECiD and provide multi-arts camps for children and youth. In 2016 the Barrie Native Friendship Centre invited Milkweed to provide workshops for the community. Elder Ernestine Baldwin gave the name **“Gshkoziwiin”**, meaning **“Awaken the imagination—Feel wonder and awe.”** In 2016-2017 the BNFC and Springwater Provincial Park hosted the first Gshkoziwiin Apprenticeship Program.



Austin Clarkson, Ph.D., professor of music (ret.), York University, directed Foundations of Creative Imagination, which led to the founding of the Milkweed Collective. Austin has given workshops on the ECiD internationally and is author of, *“My Mind a Beautiful Thing”: Imagination, Art, Creativity in Elementary Education* (2011).

Beverly Bond Clarkson, M.A., C.A.P.T., was a singer, violinist and composer. After graduating from the C.G. Jung Institute of New York, Beverly established a private practice as a psychotherapist and joined the Ontario Association of Jungian Analysts. Beverly was on the staff of the Foundations of Creative Imagination course at York University and for seven years led dream groups for the Temagami Vision Quest program. Retired from her practice, Beverly is writing her memoirs.

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