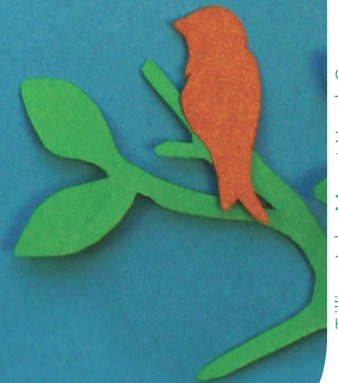




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# The 27th International **MONTESSORI** CONGRESS

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# How It Began

Dr. Maria Montessori established the International Montessori Congress in 1929 to raise global awareness and comprehension of Montessori education. Each Congress helps inspire movement and action within the international community by reflecting the constant evolution of the Montessori movement and through building on the intentions and accomplishments of the preceding Congress. The United States' Montessori community is delighted to host the Congress for the first time in over 40 years.

# Guided By Nature

Montessori: Guided By Nature, the Congress theme, will explore universal aspects of children, nature, and learning. Portland, Oregon, nestled within the American Pacific Northwest, is a region known for both its rich biodiversity and vibrant Montessori community. Here the study of volcanoes and old growth trees runs in tandem with Dr. Montessori's teachings of a child's capacity to explore and study nature.

# Empowered Through Unity

The Congress will galvanize thousands of the world's Montessorians for an inspirational event while drawing awareness to the Montessori movement's call for universal education and social progress. It will also be an opportunity to invigorate your educational passion, foster new and old friendships, and reignite Dr. Montessori's spark among those who practice her method around the world.

# "The City of Roses"

In addition to inspirational presentations, history exhibits, and dynamic dialogues, the Congress also features fun social events. Whether being heralded as "America's Best City for Summer Travel," or as the "Greenest City in the US," Portland, Oregon, has something to offer everyone. Walk, bike or ride the train around a city famous for its culinary offerings, breweries, commitment to ecological sustainability, and spectacular natural beauty.

Visit [www.MontessoriCongress.org](http://www.MontessoriCongress.org) to connect with the latest program and registration developments.

# All Are Welcome

Congresses are open to everyone interested in Montessori education.

# Questions?

Have a suggestion or question about the Congress? [info@MontessoriCongress.org](mailto:info@MontessoriCongress.org)

