

OCHEC Convention 2011

Vendor Workshops

Any Key Music – Robert Chambers - Learning Piano By Ear!!

They said it couldn't be done!
They said it's a gift you have to be born with!
They said it can't be taught!

All that they said was true UNTIL NOW!

Introducing Robert's Revolutionary 'Any Key Music System' (AKMS). The only certified music program to teach you how to 'Master The Art Of Playing Piano By Ear'.

When asked, how is this program different from traditional lessons, or any other 'play by ear' program? His reply, 'My methods are focused on teaching individuals how to understand and find the answers; rather than me showing them the answers in the forms of written notation, scores, filled in chord diagrams, videos and lots of other visual material. Picture going through a grade 1 test in math class, what if the teacher put the answer above every question for you to just copy it and fill in the blanks. Would you like that? Maybe you might; you would come out with an 'A', but did they really help you? Did they teach you how to figure out the answers? Most likely not. You were able to get by because you simply copied the answers that were given to you.'

As you know through home schooling, your child succeeds once they understand the subject. Music is a language and once that language is understood with 'The Any Key Music System', you can play anything you choose.

Precept Ministries Inc - Mark Sheldrake - How to Teach Kids to Study the Bible

Learn how to make serious Bible study a rich learning experience that's fun. Develop teaching skills that encourage kids to participate in class discussion. Discover how to use repetition and rewards to help kids with Bible memorization. Ideal for anyone who teaches children ages 8 to 12.

A+ Books Canada - Nadine Ulrich - A 'Novel' Approach

A workshop encouraging the use of novels in home education. Many 'school' subjects can be enriched with the use of novels, either as readers or as read-alouds for the whole family. Don't miss the chance to take a 'novel' approach to learning!

Word of Life Fellowship Canada - Charlie Lyons - Quiet Time Connect: A Parent's Guide to Family Devotions

We all need help to enhance our family times. Some of us need instruction concerning how to institute family devotions. Others may already have family devotions, but they have become sterile, difficult, boring or ritualistic. The challenge is to keep them fresh while making them meaningful.

Keeping family devotions fresh and meaningful is easier said than done. The purpose of this workshop is to assist parents who want to influence their children and make a difference in their lives spiritually. It will not answer all of your questions, but it will provide some guidelines to help you connect your family time. This workshop gives you a template for establishing family devotions and provides helpful hints, insights and discussion starters as well as practical, creative ideas to add new life and energy to them.

The Learning House Inc - Louise House - All About Spelling

Many children struggle with spelling skills. Many parents struggle to help their children overcome this difficulty. Finally a spelling program that will enable parents to present spelling skills in a manner which will meet their child's needs. Come and see how this hands-on program can revolutionize your approach to teaching spelling. Parents have given this one rave reviews!

Sola Scriptura Ministries International - David Herbert - Using Darwins Fallacies to Teach Critical Thinking Skills

Author David Herbert has produced a spiritual biography of Charles Darwin entitled Charles Darwin's Religious Views. In a follow-up biography, Dr. Herbert has produced a junior version of this work along with a companion workbook geared towards children ages 10 to 13. Using the logical and scientific fallacies of Darwin, this workbook is designed to teach children critical thinking skills.

Math-U-See - Jacki Knight - No Tears – Math-U-See

Math-U-See's goal is to help produce confident problem solvers who enjoy the study of math and can apply what they have learned in everyday situations. Math-U-See is a complete award winning K-12 math program which teaches math concretely taking away the 'TEARS' and making math fun!

Tale2k Tale2K: Heather Kendall - A Tale of Two Kingdoms: A Christ-Centered Biblical Storyline

This workshop will be of interest to parents of teenagers. Heather will discuss the importance of understanding the biblical storyline. Sadly, four out of five children who have grown up in the church will fall away as adults. As a parent, you want to do your part to strengthen your child's faith so that he or she will not become one of those statistics. Heather will provide practical advice on how to guide children in the right direction.

Roots Worldview Ministries - Jim Groff - The Not-So-Great-Mystery of Dinosaur History!

Many people are fascinated with dinosaurs! The culture has used these magnificent creatures to teach evolution, but what is the truth about dinosaurs? Is there evidence that dinosaurs and people lived together? Did dinosaurs go on Noah's ark? Does the Bible mention dinosaurs? What happened to them? Find out the truth about dinosaurs and use the material to teach your children that they can trust what the Bible says on every topic.

One Eye Publications - Eleanor Gummer - Piano Lessons for Young Children

Give your child a head-start with piano lessons from the age of 4! Pianokids offers your child the opportunity to learn to play the piano at a young age with wholesome, age-appropriate materials. Your child will develop spatial recognition, reading skills as well as eye-hand coordination through piano lessons at an early age. Pianokids is a course designed specifically with the young child in mind. Visit our web-site to learn more about this exciting opportunity for your child: www.oneeyepublications.com or www.pianokids.ca.

Augustine College - Augustine College - What It Means To Be a Christian in a Secular University

An engaging lesson about the moral decay taking place in universities and different ways, based on the Scriptures, that Christians can be a light in that environment. The talk is based on Paul's message to the Athenians in Acts 17, and focuses on the need for us to learn how to engage with the people around us at university.

Fidelity Books - Gordon Maretzki - Training your children for marriage. (from age 2)

How do we help our children to get married? As parents we all want to see our children marry good spouses, and have blessed and God-honouring marriages. As we move our children through the school years, we often neglect a very significant training opportunity to prepare them for this eventuality. We focus on career and provision, but have no strategic plan to help our children find a suitable spouse. We rely on youth groups, post secondary education, and the romantic whims of our children fuelled by message of the world to lead our children into matrimony.

Scripture is not silent on this topic. We are presented with many examples throughout God's Word of successful and disastrous marriage and courtship situations.

Gord Maretzki will highlight and review some of these examples from scripture, consider how we can apply the wisdom gained to our modern life, and give some practical instruction from his own experience. As parents, we need not withdraw from this very important training opportunity, rather it is our duty and pleasure to prepare and help our children to marry.

Movie Moms - Steven Wallace - Education Through Entertainment

No one can deny the power of television or movies to impact how a person thinks or perceives the world around them. Otherwise, why would companies pay often millions of dollars to insert a 30 second commercial between a movie or sporting event. Unfortunately, the impact that many movies have on our children and on ourselves is a negative one. This workshop will show how Movie Moms in association with Feature Films for Families is using the same precept to instil positive behaviour and traits in the viewing audience.

Sonlight Curriculum - Shari Ries - The way you wish you'd been taught. Guaranteed.

Flexible...Faith Affirming...Filled with Great Stories! Do you want to create life-long learners and equip students how to think, not just memorize facts? Come see how Sonlight Curriculum has done the planning for you and compiled all the tools to make this year a learning adventure for a lifetime.

Wise Choice Educational Services - David & Suzanne Day - I have lots of Questions and need Answers

Suzanne and David will take your questions about the learning needs of your children. Come with your questions ready and expect a lively talk that will benefit all who come. Bring a friend. They will learn a lot. We will share with you the results that families and their children are experiencing:

- Professional Assessments
- Neurodevelopmental Evaluation and Therapy
- Teacher and Parent Training - to work with Dyslexics
- Reading Therapy, Remediation, Tutoring
- Reading Therapy for Dyslexics
- Neurofeedback Training for Attention Deficit – Neurotherapy
- Processing Skills - Brain Training
- Vision development Therapy - Auditory Integration Training (AIT)

PATHWAYS for NeuroEducational Development - Sylvia Funk - UGH!!! Home Schooling is so Hard and I've Tried Everything

Are you struggling to teach your child or has your child received a LABEL or is he considered DISABLED and you are not sure how to help him learn? Did you know that certain subjects are best taught in a specific manner allowing the brain to receive, process, store and then output the information more successfully? Did you know that to be an efficient and well-rounded student the child needs good Neurological Organization? Learn ways to teach reading, math, spelling and good penmanship in this workshop. Learning should be fun and easy for both the parent and the child.

Tyndale University College - Nathan Martin - Find Out Where The Money Is

Financing a university/college education is more affordable than you think! Come discover what scholarships , bursaries, and loans are available. Become aware with timelines and how to apply.

NILD Canada - Trix Bradley - NILD Canada

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Digging Deep - Diane Geerlinks - Digging for Treasures

As homeschool parents, we have the privilege of digging deep into the Word of God for treasures to teach our children. This is our opportunity to unearth treasures that will excite our children and inspire them to dig deep themselves. In this workshop, Diane will share some of the treasures found in the Tabernacle, The Passover, and the Feasts of Israel. Come and discover for yourself the richness of these ancient customs appointed by God Himself, celebrated and fulfilled by Jesus Christ. Be inspired to use this already prepared curriculum to teach this to your children.