SEEING THE CHILD

Children are born with imagination and creativity. Nurtured with respect, their gifts can give great joy and inspiration to our communities.

With conscious birthing and parenting, newborns’ first experience of life can be positive and affirming. That’s the foundation from which a good life can thrive. And that good foundation deserves a profound shift in societal values.

If the true wealth of nations depends on the healthy development of its young, societies need to show love for children in every part of their design and organization. We need to consider every major decision with the child in mind.

The Centre for Child Honouring advances Child Honouring both as a way of life, and as a practical vision for the brightest future—a world fit for children.

PROGRAMS

Speakers Series
“My Drawing - Our World” Children’s Art Program & Exhibit
Children and Nonviolence Initiative

CHILD HONOURING PRINCIPLES

Respectful Love
Diversity
Caring Community
Conscious Parenting
Emotional Intelligence
Nonviolence
Safe Environments
Sustainability
Ethical Commerce

PEOPLE ARE SAYING

“No initiative I know carries more galvanizing power of truth.”
Joanna Macy

The Hon. Iona Campagnolo, former Lieutenant Governor of BC, views Child Honouring as “a vast change in the human paradigm.”


Riane Eisler hails Raffi as “a leading figure for our times.” Child Honouring is an idea whose time has come. For generations to come.

FOR THE GREATEST GOOD

For over 3 decades I’ve been a children’s champion and ecology advocate.

The Child Honouring vision first came to me while writing my autobiography (in 1997). When I explained it to my neighbor, he got it. “Building a house,” he said, “you start with the foundation, not the roof.”

The formative first years of life are the foundation for all that follows. That’s why protecting a baby’s primary human rights—clean air and safe drinking water, untainted breast milk, a loving home—is the best way to develop responsible youth and mature adults. And to create sustainable, peacemaking cultures.

Aligned with the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, Child Honouring calls for a compassionate revolution in values—a shift from exploitation to respect, from harm to nonviolence, from pollution to restored environments.

The Covenant for Honouring Children and its nine principles express the heart of the Child Honouring vision.

The mission of the Centre For Child Honouring is to advance Child Honouring as a universal ethic for building healthy communities and restoring the Earth.

Child Honouring offers an organizing principle for societal change: for a new partnership with our children, with each other, and with our planet.

Imagine…redesigning society for the greatest good, by meeting the priority needs of its youngest citizens.

Raffi Cavoukian, C.M., O.B.C.
Founder & Chair, Centre for Child Honouring

Children everywhere are like the seeds of the future of our world.

The Dalai Lama
A COVENANT
For Honouring Children
RAFFI

WE find these joys to be self evident:
That all children are created whole, endowed with innate intelligence, with dignity and wonder, worthy of respect. The embodiment of life, liberty and happiness, children are original blessings, here to learn their own song. Every girl and boy is entitled to love, to dream and belong to a loving ‘village’. And to pursue a life of purpose.

WE affirm our duty to nourish and nurture the young, to honour their caring ideals as the heart of being human. To recognize the early years as the foundation of life, and to cherish the contribution of young children to human evolution.

WE commit ourselves to peaceful ways and vow to keep from harm or neglect these, our most vulnerable citizens. As guardians of their prosperity, we honour the bountiful Earth whose diversity sustains us. Thus we pledge our love for generations to come.

WE

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for child-honouring people and policies where you live!

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in your own home with Raffi. Create an unforgettable event and help transform the world.

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