#### CULTURAL HISTORICAL SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

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on

## CULTURAL HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES ON PLAY, IMAGINATION, CREATIVITY IN DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 9:00am - 1:30pm

at:

EAST SIDE INSTITUTE 920 Broadway, 14th floor New York, NY 10010 Phone: 212 941-8906

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- To examine multiple aspects of play-like and creative activities and their significance in human development *from the cultural historical activity theory point of view*
- To create opportunities for scholarly dialogues between disciplines, perspectives and methodologies of research
- To plan for an international gathering on the CHAT perspectives on creativity, play, art and imagination in September 2008

#### **SELECTED TOPICS:**

- What do we look at when we study play? How do we identify play activity?
- Definitions of play in the cultural historical approach: leading activity, zone of proximal development, opposite of "work" (and "learning")...
- Conjunction of cognition and emotions in play
- Social, historical and cultural dimensions of play, play and its contexts
- Play/creativity and its generative and healing effects

### PRESENTERS AND DISCUSSANTS INCLUDE (alphabetically):

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