

**Kate  
Center Director**



I am the Center Director but my journey at the World Bank Children's Center began in August 2006 as a Director of Education. I have a Master's Degree in Pedagogy with a specialization in Early Childhood Education. I have completed extensive studies about educational systems in different parts of the world.

I spent over 20 years working in educational field with children and adults. Coming to the World Bank Children's Center has been an exciting opportunity. As a part of the Pedagogical Team, I direct, guide, act as a resource, and support the educational philosophy and pedagogy of the program. Relationship building is an integral part of my work and building bridges between all of our constituents – staff, parents, children, across four sites makes that possible.

**“Why did you choose Early Childhood Education as your career?”**

To observe and learn how a little human grows and thrives is a beautiful experience. Universal qualities of children, such as purity of mind and perceiving things with non-corrupted eyes, serves as a mirror for me to reflect upon myself and what I have lost as an adult.

**Anita**  
**Assistant Director**



I was born in Tanzania, East Africa. Before relocating to Maryland, I lived in Sweden for 35 years. I am married to Curt, and we have five children. I acquired both a bachelor's and master's degree in Education, with a focus on Early Childhood Education, from Stockholm University in Sweden.

In October of 2010, I had the honor of attending *In Depth Study Week* in Reggio Emilia in Italy where I represented The World Bank Children's Center. The experience widened my knowledge of the Reggio Emilia approach to education and enriched and transformed my teaching to a higher level.

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I adore the curious, hopeful, and creative nature of children. I especially appreciate their honesty and hearing their raw thoughts and observations. I believe that the early years of a child's life are extremely important and affect them for the rest of their development. I am committed to fostering this development with the child-centered Reggio approach. Every day I believe that I learn from the children and love that they remind me to think creatively, be kind to my friends, and express myself.

**Linda**

**Administrative Coordinator**



I am the Administrative Coordinator for the World Bank Children's Center. I have an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education from Central Texas College. I began my journey as an educator working on military installations. I have worked with age infant to pre-kindergarten. I found it then and still find it now rewarding to observe children as they learn and grow. I made the decision to come out of the classroom more than 10 years ago, but still wanted to stay in education. I have the best of both worlds, I am in a position I really enjoy and have the pleasure of meeting families from around the country.

**Why did I choose Early Childhood Education as my career?**

At the beginning, I chose this field to be closer to my children. As time went by I found myself more and more interested in the education of children in the early stages of development therefore, I registered in college to further my interest. It became so natural to me to engage myself with children. I feel as if I have come full circle in my life and consider it a blessing to be here at WB Children's Center.