

## Karla Stettler, Teacher

- Associate of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education from North Seattle Community College
- Continued Education through NAEYC conferences/workshops
- Teacher six years at Seattle Central Community College Child Care Center
- Teacher at Kirkland Preschool since 1988



"My objective as a preschool teacher has always been to create a space where our students' curiosity and their awareness of the world around them is enhanced. I want to encourage the children to inquire, explore, and be interactive with their environment and with each other.

It is a joy for me to work with young children and especially to share my love of music. Music has always been a part of my life and I strive to develop that talent with our students. They will be exposed to and learn at least three new songs each week, some while utilizing American Sign Language.

Science, nature, and books are also a great interest of mine.

My husband, Phil, and I volunteered at our three children's schools and other activities, earning Golden Acorn awards at Ben Rush Elementary and at Lake Washington High School.

Our family (including our son-in-law) camps, hikes, visits museums, parks and the zoo. We have been season ticket holders at the Village Theatre for over 25 years.

I sing at both my church in Ballard where I grew up and with an ecumenical choir, Cornerstone Singers (a volunteer choir that sings once a week at different assisted living centers).

Our absolutely favorite thing is to take care of our grandson, Wyatt. He brings us such delight and we are totally in love. We are enjoying experiencing little guys all over again!"