



Partners in Learning

93rd Annual Convention
The National Council of Teachers of English
November 20–25, 2003
San Francisco, California

NCTE is Coming to San Francisco!

WHY ATTEND?

Join a community of the best minds in English language arts education at the NCTE Annual Convention. Each year, English language arts professionals K-University gather together, share ideas, listen to renowned speakers, and reflect on the latest theories and research in education. You'll have the opportunity to participate in workshops, interactive sessions and discussions on a variety of topics. You'll bring solid educational theories and ideas back to your school while at the same time rejuvenating your teaching. Interactive sessions, top-notch speakers, and networking with peers are the reasons many attendees come back year after year.

WHEN & WHERE?

The Convention will be held Thursday, November 20, 2003 -Tuesday, November 25. Workshops and meetings of constituent organizations are held on Monday, November 24 and Tuesday, November 25. Sessions will be held at the new Moscone Center West in downtown San Francisco.

THE NUMBERS

Every year, the NCTE Annual Convention attracts over 7,000 attendees from all across the United States and Canada as well as hundreds of presenters, speakers, and exhibitors. You'll be able to choose from over 400 concurrent sessions, four section-level luncheons, and 24 daylong single-topic workshops.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The majority of attendees are English language arts classroom teachers, librarians, reading specialists, administrators, and students. You do not have to be an NCTE member to attend. A large number of nonmembers from the host city and surrounding areas regularly attend.

INTERACTIVE SESSIONS

You'll learn hands-on, practical approaches and strategies, the latest in research and theory in sessions presented by classroom teachers, administrators, and researchers. Session topics may include: · Creative Approaches to Teaching Shakespeare · Assessment-Driven Planning: Re-Visioning Teaching as Beginners and Pros · Why Multicultural Literature Is Essential in the English Classroom · Coaching Writing: Voice and Memoir · Electronic Portfolios in K-College English Classrooms · Literacy Strategies for Teaching ESOL Students

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

In addition to attending sessions, you'll have the opportunity to attend special events featuring well-known authors, illustrators and educators as they share their ideas, experiences and knowledge. Featured speakers include:

- Robert MacNeil, former anchor of MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour and author of the upcoming *Do You Speak American?*
- Chang-rae Lee, author of *Native Speaker* and *A Gesture Life*

Additional speakers will be added throughout the year, so check our Web site (www.ncte.org/convention) often for updates.

ALL-DAY WORKSHOPS

Spend a full day examining a single topic-from high-stakes testing to new approaches to reading and writing. You'll exchange ideas and insight with your colleagues and learn ways to stimulate your students.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Beginning in July, you will be able to register online at www.ncte.org/convention or call the NCTE Customer Service Center at 877-369-6283 to request registration forms and information.

Register Early and Save! Register by October 27 and save up to \$30. Pre-registration fees are: \$165 for NCTE members, \$215 for nonmembers, \$60 for student members, \$70 for student nonmembers. After October 28, registration fees are: \$195 for NCTE members, \$245 for nonmembers, \$60 for student members, \$70 for student nonmembers. One-day registration is also available. One-day rates are \$85 for members, \$95 for nonmembers. Workshops are \$85 for members, \$95 for nonmembers, and \$40 for students. Some exceptions may apply.

MEETINGS OF CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATIONS

In addition to the sessions and speakers of the NCTE Annual Convention, a number of constituent groups, assemblies, caucuses, and other organizations also meet and/or hold special events for their members. These groups include:

- Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of NCTE (ALAN)
- Black and Latino Caucus
- Children's Literature Assembly (CLA)
- Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC)
- Conference on English Leadership (CEL)
- Conference on English Education (CEE)
- National Writing Project (NWP)

RECERTIFICATION/CONTINUING EDUCATION

In many states, attendance at NCTE Annual Convention qualifies educators to receive recertification or continuing education units. Check with your local Department of Education to determine the procedures for obtaining these credits. Check our Web page (www.ncte.org/convention) for more information as it becomes available. No college credit is offered for attending Annual Convention.

EXHIBITORS

All of our exhibitors must sell products or offer services that directly pertain to the teaching and learning of English language arts. Each year a variety of textbook publishers, educational organizations, teacher-resource providers, teaching magazine publishers, software companies and publishers of trade publications display and sell their products to our members.

WHAT TEACHERS SAY ABOUT NCTE ANNUAL CONVENTION

"This is a very valuable experience in which all English teachers should be able to participate. It is certainly a working convention where teachers gain practical tools for improving reading and writing in the classroom."

"The connection with other teachers and the information I gathered will influence my classes for a long time."

"NCTE was the highlight of my year. I was able to gather new ideas for my department and attend sessions that will make my teaching more effective. Maintaining contact with a professional organization is important for teachers to develop even at the beginning of their careers."

"This was one of the most rewarding experiences I have ever had in professional development. I also enjoyed meeting other teachers around the country and sharing in their professional growth and expertise as well."

"Being able to exchange ideas with colleagues who are interested in being the best they can be encourages the best in me."

"It was fabulous. I only wish it were possible for even more people to attend. It is a transformative experience."



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