

Circle of Hands Experienced: Curriculum Overview

This year we will continue our journey with handwork, expanding our skills
And deepening our knowledge of how to create dolls, puppets, and felted creations
For our classrooms, play time, and story time.

I have created a curriculum that will give you a myriad of tools that will help you
share your love and magic with your children, your families and your school.

Some classes will meet once and some classes will have a two-part series.

The projects that will be offered this year will have the depth of story song and craft.

September

Birthday celebrations are a vital piece of our work in the Kindergarten and so class will
be focused on ways to enhance the birthday story. We will be making a birthday babe
and Moon boat.

October

In this class, we will create a felted vessel, either a nest, cave or hide-a-way place that
will be a house for your favorite little surprise friend. Verses will be shared.

December

We will make movable standing puppets with a new technique so that our standing
puppets have more “life” and gesture. You can choose the type of puppet you’d like to
make, and

I will offer story and movement guidance.

January

Tomten and the Fox~ a Norwegian tale By Astrid Lindgren based on poems by VIKTOR
Rydberg and Karl-Erik Fousslund. A lovely tale of a fox walking through the snowy
forest looking for food while the kind Tom 10 is watching over the farm. We will make a
fox and the Tomen.

February

The Little Mousies Valentine- a little story of a brave little mouse with lots of heart! We
will make a wire based marionette mouse that can be used as a string puppet or a hand
puppet.

March

A Little Bunny Looks for a Home- Based on the book by Margaret Wise Brown. I will share an adapted story about a little bunny looking for a home and we will make a felted bunny puppet.

April

We will create a filter tree with a wire armature for puppet stages.

May

“The May Pole Dream” by Marjorie Rehbach- a lovely story that brings the magic of nature spirits back into our celebrations. We will make a fairy ring out of rainbow colored silks. These hoops of fairies can be used for birthday parties and celebrations, and the beautiful May Day story that I will share.