

## CALL FOR PAPERS - SPECIAL ISSUE

### **Risky Childhoods in Uncertain Times**

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This special issue of CIEC will engage with a range of concerns and debates pertaining to issues of childhood risk, and asks contributors to engage with the following questions: Are children exposed to greater risks in the 21st century than in previous times? If so, what are these risks, what specific dangers do they pose to children and childhood, and how might they be addressed? If not, how do we separate fact from fiction in order to make sense of public debate and moral panics focused on issues such as sexual predation, exploitation, and community and domestic violence? In either case, what are the political, professional and personal implications of these debates for early childhood educators and others working with, and on behalf of, young children? Our editorial team proposes a timely and provocative issue that invites readers to consider how childhood risks, both real and perceived, are constructed and perpetuated in popular and educational discourse.

Articles in the special issue will explore how cultural, economic and/or political uncertainties that operate within and across local and global contexts impact on children's lives and futures.

#### **Timeline**

Submissions due: 15 January 2010

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