

# History

The Pikler Institute (nicknamed Lóczy from the street where it is located), was established in 1946 by pediatrician Dr. Emmi Pikler. The City of Budapest commissioned Dr. Pikler to organize a home for infants and young children who were deprived of their parents until satisfactory living arrangements could be found.



*Dr. Emmi Pikler*

*The Pikler Institute Budapest, Hungary*

The Pikler Approach is based on Dr. Emmi Pikler's research into gross motor development and emphasizes treating babies with respect by valuing self-initiated activity, building trusting relationships between child and caregiver, sustaining each child in building self-awareness, and fostering optimal health. It is said in Budapest that "Pikler babies" can be recognized even when they are older because they move with grace and freedom. Dr. Pikler believed that this is because they were allowed to move naturally and at will and allowed to spontaneously follow their own in-born developmental time table.

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# PIKLER / LOCZY FUND USA



## 2011 TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



# Pikler Institute

The International Emmi Pikler Foundation at Lóczy is guided by the mission of founder Dr. Emmi Pikler to offer aid in raising healthy, happy children.

Established in 1946, this internationally recognized institute is dedicated to empowering children and families through outreach programs that serve the child, parent, and caregiver. Dr. Pikler recognized the need to offer an environment where children are respected and nurtured to become emotionally and socially mature individuals, able to adjust to the needs of others and of society. The success at Lóczy has been recognized by the World Health Organization, and the concepts and practices have been translated globally with the establishment of Pikler/Lóczy Associations in France, Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Spain, Italy, Holland, Argentina and USA. Emmi Pikler's work was introduced in the United States by Magda Gerber, founder of Resources for Infant Educators. The International Pikler (Lóczy) Association was formed in 1997 in an effort to raise funds to ensure the survival of the Pikler (Lóczy) Institute in Budapest. Pikler/Lóczy Fund USA has been formed in the United States to serve as a central information base and to bring the resources to a global community that will help ensure a mutually respectful, fulfilling partnership between children, parents and caregivers.

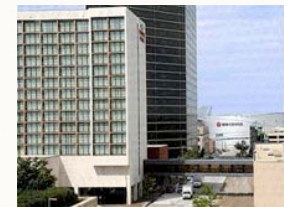
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Pikler/Loczy Fund USA is proud to offer training on the Pikler approach in the United States. Our Tulsa, Oklahoma training and observation site has been designed based on Piklerian principles using furniture and materials provided through the generosity of Community Playthings.

### PIKLER INTENSIVE II TRAINING APRIL 10-14 TULSA, OK, USA

Pikler Intensive II is an advanced training designed for professionals working with infants and toddlers. The theorists are Anna Tardos, Director of the Pikler Institute in Budapest, Hungary and Agnes Szanto Feder, PhD from Paris, France. Space is limited. For additional information, contact [lbriley@dayschoolsok.com](mailto:lbriley@dayschoolsok.com) or visit [www.pikler.org](http://www.pikler.org)



*Accommodations available at the Crowne Plaza Hotel for \$89/night.*



*Training with an international flair.*

### INTERNATIONAL INFANT/TODDLER CONFERENCE APRIL 14-16 TULSA, OK, USA

A celebration of the special joys and challenges of being with infants and toddlers. Featuring Keynote addresses by Sam Meisels, Eric Linthorst, Carol Brunson Day, Peter Mangione and Elsa Chahin. Other presenters include Anna Tardos, Beverly Kovach, Janet Gonzalez-Mena, Enid Elliott, Janis Keyser, and Susan Weber. Register online at [ccrctulsa.org](http://ccrctulsa.org)



*Accommodations available at the Doubletree Hotel*



*Anna Tardos, Director of the Pikler Institute*

### RIE I INTENSIVE

RIE I Fundamentals, Theory & Observation is an overview of the RIE Approach including psycho-motor development, social-emotional development, designing appropriate environments, planning the curriculum, issues in parenting, observational skills and visits to infant and toddler programs. Participants in the Tulsa intensive will do on-site observations of infants, toddlers, and parent infant classes. Tulsa and Melbourne Intensives are facilitated by RIE Associate Beverly Kovach. Space is limited. For additional information, contact [lbriley@dayschoolsok.com](mailto:lbriley@dayschoolsok.com) or [waverlyplace@aol.com](mailto:waverlyplace@aol.com)



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June 17-26*



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