

ABOUT

KISA MARX

Author, Keynote Speaker, Co-Author of *Rethinking Weapon Play in Early Childhood: How to Encourage Kindness, Empathy, and Imagination in Your Classroom* (Routledge) and the soon-to-be-released *We Are Who We're Waiting For: Your Role in Salvaging Childhood in the Early Years* (Redleaf), and passionate Early Childhood Advocate.

With over 20 years of experience in early childhood education, Kisa has run her own home-based, play- and nature-focused early childhood program for the last 15 years. She recently founded The Play Lab Foundation, a non-profit dedicated to ensuring child-centered programming is accessible to every child and every family.

Kisa proudly serves the little people—the wild, the worried, the intuitive, the unknowing, and the brave. Her ethos is rooted in liberated learning, cultivated through respect for children and childhood, time spent in nature, and the revolutionary practice of play. Committed to equity, access, and joy for all children, she now advocates for the rights of children and collaborates with educators to bring liberated learning into their classrooms.

When she's not embarking on adventures with her crew or championing the rights of children, Kisa enjoys spending time with her partner, listening to music, and tending to her "garden" of adult children, pets, and plants.

