

*From the desk of Maribel Zubieta-Diaz,...*

**Goodness! It is hard to believe that our six weeks of summer adventures are over. There's a saying stating that time flies when you're having fun. Well, time flies when you're passionate, when you're learning, when you're sharing, when you're creating, when you're making friends, when you're growing, when you feel fulfilled.....**

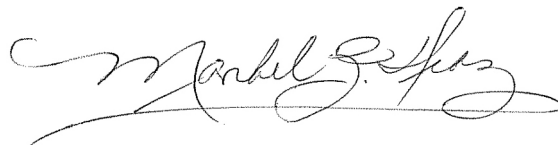
**So, yes, time flies, and we all feel so proud and so grateful that we have shared this time together.**

**Conchita believed in learning to live and living to learn; to realize that the opportunities for growing and doing are all around us; that we learn from experience, from books, from each other, and from the world that surrounds us.**

**This summer as I walked through the hallways, opening doors, I was immersed in worlds of creation. I could see and hear our children taking risks, strengthening their techniques and putting them to the service of their arts, asking questions and finding answers, thinking, feeling, going deeper from entertainment to culture to the arts.**

**It has been a rewarding and encouraging summer for me. It has validated my belief in the mission of C.E.A. to bring out the extraordinary in every child.**

**Thank you to all involved in creating a better world.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Maribel Zubieta-Diaz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Maribel Z. Diaz, Director