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**MARY ANN HOFFMAN TO PRESENT FIVE
“CREATIVITY IN THE CLASSROOM”
WORKSHOPS MAY 16-18, 2008**

February 11, 2008 Glendale, Calif. – The Opportunity Thinker announced today The Atlanta Creativity Exchange is featuring five creativity in the classroom workshops presented by Mary Ann Hoffman at their annual conference in Atlanta, May 16-18, 2008. Her students have garnered two national Invent America first place awards for the fourth grade. She has coached both Odyssey of the Mind and Destination Imagination teams.

At the conference, Mary Ann will be presenting: Creativity 101-Learning to Think Differently, Brain Jumps!, Creativity Lessons for Children’s Literature, Applied Creativity in the Classroom, and What is Out There.

You should also know Mary Ann has designed a thinking skills program for her elementary school that uses both original lessons and commercial programs such as Edward de Bono’s Six Thinking Hats® and CoRT. She is an expert in the field of creativity in education. Currently an elementary principal at Heathwood Hall Episcopal School in Columbia, South Carolina, she shares 29 years in the education field where she has been Teacher of the Year three times, principal of a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, and has developed gifted and talented programs in both in elementary and middle schools in PA and SC.

She has presented her Thinking Skills Workshops at national conferences for the National Association of Independent Schools, The National Center for Independent School Renewal, and The Commonwealth in Education in VA, and numerous other local and state conferences.

To learn more about the conference, go to <http://www.AtlantaCreativity.org>

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