



GELT WORKSHOP:  
**JERRY HARSTE**  
**ON ART AND READING**  
**AS COMMUNICATION**

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Professor Harste is an expert in early written language literacy learning. His extensive studies of what young children know about reading and writing prior to school pushed the field of literacy education toward a socio-psycholinguistic theory of literacy learning. A self-professed lifelong “doodler” and advocate of arts-based education, Jerry enrolled in his first watercolor course in 2006 after retiring from Indiana University and has continued to enjoy the creative process as both an educator and artist.



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