We believe that the well-being of children and the wild places we love are inextricably linked. And while research proves that regular time outdoors is essential for children’s healthy development, today’s kids are less connected to nature than ever before. We also know that long-standing systems of injustice connect directly to questions about equitable access to nature—including how parks and green spaces are designed, distributed and programmed, and about policies that ensure Black, Indigenous and other people of color can use them safely and without fear. Now is the time to strengthen our efforts to advance racial equity in access to nature for children, families and communities.

This is why we gather—as leaders, educators, activists, practitioners and parents—to turn the trend of an indoor childhood back out to the benefits of nature and to increase equitable access to the natural world.

The Inside-Out International Conference is a 3-day gathering of leaders, educators, funders, policy makers, and parents in the children and nature movement. We attract attendees from around the world, with a special focus on welcoming BIPOC leaders and young professionals.

Programs offered at the Conference include keynote speakers, plenaries, panels discussions; concurrent breakout sessions, a poster session, field trips and site visits, a youth art exhibition, and more. In 2023, we plan to offer a virtual watch party of our keynote sessions for online viewing and engagement.

2023 Program Areas of Focus

- Proven, promising or emerging practices to advance equity and inclusion, build cultural competence, honor traditional knowledge and/or support environmental justice
- Perspectives of youth, people of color, indigenous communities and/or other historically excluded voices
- International teachings and trends
- Policies or civic engagement strategies driving systems change
- The importance of nature access for health and well-being, both for individuals and communities
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Presenting Sponsor: $30,000+
- Presenting Sponsor recognition on various conference marketing materials, including where applicable the website, select social media posts, email newsletters, and in person conference sponsor sign & slide deck
- Providing opening or closing remarks at one key plenary session
- Underwriting recognition for up one conference track (exclusive)
- Opportunity to share promotional content via the conference registration platform, Whova
- Five complimentary in person or virtual conference passes
- Complimentary virtual booth space

Network Builder: $15,000+
- Network Building recognition on various conference marketing materials, including where applicable the website, select social media posts, email newsletters, and in person conference sponsor sign & slide deck
- Underwriting recognition for one conference track (not exclusive)
- Opportunity to share promotional content via the conference registration platform, Whova
- Four complimentary in person or virtual conference passes
- Complimentary virtual booth space

Community Connector: $5,000+
- Community Connector recognition on various conference marketing materials, including where applicable the website, select social media posts, email newsletters, and in person conference sponsor sign & slide deck
- Opportunity to share promotional content via the conference registration platform, Whova
- Two complimentary in person or virtual conference passes
- Complimentary virtual booth space

Scholarship Fund Contributor: $1,000+
Our scholarship fund was created to remove barriers for participation by:
- Those with a demonstrated need for financial support
- Young people under the age of 30 who give voice to groups that have been historically excluded or underrepresented
- Those for whom participation in the conference will help to grow the children and nature movement within and beyond their community.
Benefits include:

- Scholarship Benefactor recognition on various conference marketing materials, including where applicable the website, select social media posts, email newsletters, and in person conference sponsor sign & slide deck
- Opportunity to share promotional content via the conference registration platform, Whova
- Complimentary virtual booth space

In-Kind Support

- Media and promotional partners
- Nature-based and/or related outdoor products
- Ground transportation

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