Embracing the Gifts of Nature for Ourselves, Our Children and Our World
Sunday, July 24, 2022

7–9PM  Registration open

7–9PM  Evening Reception and Retirement Celebration  
Enjoy complimentary appetizers and beverages while meeting Institute participant and facilitators, as well as celebrating the retirement of Eric & Elyssa Nelson, John & Nancy Rosenow, Julie Rose, and Jim Wike.

Monday, July 25, 2022

6:30–8:30AM  Breakfast Buffet – Timber Dining Room – for everyone rooming at Lied Lodge!

7:30–9AM  Registration  

9AM  OPENING SESSION  
(with break and complimentary refreshments part way through)

• Heart-Centered presentation by Eric and Elyssa Nelson & John and Nancy Rosenow  
• Building Resilience with Nature Connections presented by Holly Eliisa Bruno  
• Introductions at table groups and intention setting  

12–1:30PM  Lunch buffet provided as part of the Institute registration fee  

1:30–4:30PM  AFTERNOON SESSION  

• Short presentations at Lied Lodge about the hands-on activities to follow. Then there will be a short walk to the two natural outdoor classrooms. Participants will work in groups and rotate through all of these hands-on activities:  
  o Innovative use of loose parts – Carla Gull  
  o Art and Nature – Erinn Levin  
  o Photography in Nature – Kirsten Haugen  
  o Fort building – Ellen Veselack  
  o EXPLORE and PLAY! – Heather Fox and Tina Reeble  

• Break with refreshments back at Lied Lodge  

• Discussion in Interest Groups  

4:30–6:30PM  Tree Adventure Exhibits and the Apple House will be open just for Leadership Institute participants  

5–7PM  Dinner on your own  

7–8PM  Optional Evening Social Time – Wine tasting
Tuesday, July 26, 2022

6:30–8:30AM  Breakfast Buffet – Timber Dining Room – for everyone rooming at Lied Lodge!

7:30–8AM  Optional Wellness Activity

9AM–12PM  MORNING SESSION

• Finding Nature’s Gifts in Personal Connection: You are the Heart!
  Enjoy an inspirational, facilitated walk

12–1:30PM  Lunch buffet provided as part of the Institute registration fee

1:15–4:30PM  AFTERNOON SESSION
(with break and complimentary refreshments part way through)

• Sharing in Interest groups – insights from the morning time

• First Sharing Our Work session
  Enjoy short presentations from Outdoor Classroom Project
  Demonstration Sites and Certified Nature Explore Classrooms
  as they share examples of their work

• Children’s Perspectives presented by Dean Tagawa and Ranae Amezquita,
  Los Angeles Unified School District

• Discussion in interest groups

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7:30–8:30PM  Evening Activity on Hazelnut Lawn – Michael Fitzsimmons
 of Dancing Man Music will present a lively participatory
 outdoor drum circle musical experience

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Wednesday, July 27, 2022

6:30–8:30AM  Breakfast Buffet – Timber Dining Room – for everyone rooming at Lied Lodge!

7:30–8AM  Optional Wellness Activity

9AM–12:20PM  MORNING SESSION

• Nature for Ourselves, Our Children and Our World:
  o  Heather Fox, representing the Environmental Kinship International group
  o  Chris Kiewra, University of Nebraska at Lincoln

• Hands-on Group Activities
  (Participants will divide into two groups and experience both activities)
  o  Collaborative Honeycombs presented by Sandra Duncan
  o  Sustaining Ourselves, Being the Heart, Connectedness (Heart Centered Trios)

12:20–1:30PM  Lunch buffet provided as part of the Institute registration fee

1:30–4:30PM  CLOSING SESSION

• Second Sharing Our Work Session

• Sharing of intentions

• Celebrate ten-year programs in the Outdoor Classroom Project and Nature Explore Certified Network

• Final Thoughts and Closing Reception