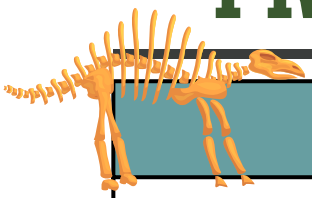
FRIDAY, NOV. 6 SCHEDULE



BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN!

NEVILLE PUBLIC MUSEUM



8:30 - 9:30 AM
Registration, Volunteer Check-in, & Exhibitor Coffee Hour (Mezzanine)

9:30 AM (all day display!)
Flow Project Art Display Opens

9:30 - 10:15 AM
Keynote Speaker: Sam Thayer (Auditorium) p. 6

10:30 AM - 12:20 PM
Off-site workshop: Food as Medicine (De Pere) p.12

10:30 - 11:20 PM & 11:30 - 12:20 PM
Morning Sessions p. 12

12:30 - 1:10 PM
Lunch (Wild Plume - Indigenous Caterer) & Exhibitor Time

1:15 - 1:55 PM
Featured Speaker: Robin Greenfield p. 7

2 - 3:50 PM
Off-site workshop: Preserving Tribal Land, Culture, & Sovereignty (Oneida) p. 14

2 - 2:50 PM & 3 - 3:50 PM
Afternoon Sessions p.14



4 - 5 PM
Exhibitor Challenge p. 21

5 - 5:45 PM
Keynote Speaker: Lisa Poupart (Auditorium) p. 6

DINNER ON YOUR OWN!

6 PM
Evening Activities @ Titletown Brewery
2 ROUNDS OF TABLETOP TRIVIA - COMPLETE BY 8:30 PM

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Food as Medicine (Sweet Willow Herbals and Cafe, 109 S Broadway, De Pere)
Speakers: Kathleen Ratteree (Sweet Willow Herbals and Cafe) and Myone Melchert
Description: Participants will work with Sweet Willow Herbals and Cafe co-owner Kathleen Ratteree in partnership with Myone Melchert, an herbalist from the Oneida Nation, to learn about traditional medicines and herbal products.

Growing Learning Opportunities with New Resources (Auditorium)
Speaker: Mia Forslund, PBS WI Education Engagement Specialist
Description: Get to know changemakers who are researching and taking action to sustain foods that nourish cultural and community connections in PBS Wisconsin Education's new series, Field Notes on Climate. Join us in conversations around how these multimedia resources can feed explorations of relationships, foodways, and environmental stewardship.

Promoting the Full Range of Multi-Cultural Environmental Values in the School Setting (Mting RM 1)
Speaker: Lori Huntoon, Founder of Huntoon Environmental Risk Advisors
Description: Environmental stewardship is an excellent forum to bring diverse communities together. Build collaborations among students, staff, and families by celebrating the various ways their families and generations before them showed respect to the environment.

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Teaching Tiny Explorers Through Nature Play (Meeting RM 2)
Speakers: Maddie Jenks & Andrea Bierbrauer, Heckrodt Wetland Reserve Naturalist
Description: This presentation will equip educators with the knowledge and tools needed to engage Early Childhood students in nature. We will explore hands-on learning stations, focusing on sensory exploration, processed-based art and nature play. This presentation will feature activities that can be easily adapted for your own programs. Our goal is to help make environmental education more engaging, accessible and meaningful for our youngest learners.

Fashioning a Model Response (Meeting RM 3)
Speaker: Ginny Carlton, Wisconsin Sea Grant Education Outreach Specialist
Description: According to the United Nations Environment Programme, "the fashion industry is responsible for one-fifth of the 300 million tons of plastic produced globally each year." This session will showcase efforts by Mount Mary University Fashion Department students to utilize sustainable fabrics and feature the Trash Trunk, and Plastic Panic! educational kits which may be borrowed for free.

Braiding Connections, Blooming Change: A Community of Practice approach to Indigenous Models of Sustainability in Environmental Education (Auditorium)
Speaker: Jodi Williams, UWSP Educational Sustainability Doctoral Student
Description: This session discusses the learning and connections that emerged from a year-long collaboration between the Sustainability Development Institute at the College of Menominee Nation and the Environmental Education Department at the School District of Waukesha, centered on the Menominee Theoretical Model of Sustainability and rooted to the place we call home, Wisconsin.

Making Waves: Connecting Students with Wisconsin's Freshwater (Meeting RM 1)
Speakers: Liz Sutton, UW-Milwaukee School of Freshwater Sciences Outreach Manager
Description: Discover practical ways to connect students with Wisconsin's freshwater through classroom activities, community partnerships, and career exploration. Participants will share ideas, explore free resources from the Freshwater Collaborative of Wisconsin Outreach Network, and leave with ready-to-use strategies that inspire environmental stewardship and meaningful connections to local freshwater.

Bringing Together Early Childhood and Environmental Education in Wisconsin (Meeting RM 2)
Speakers: Tara Von Dollen, WAEE, & Victoria Rydberg-Nania, Wisconsin DPI
Description: Do you help young learners connect with nature? WAEE has been leading statewide coordination and collaboration across early childhood and environmental fields, strengthening the essential overlap. Find out what resources are available to support your teaching and network with others who love fostering a connection with the natural world.

Improving Wellbeing for Ambassador Animals in the Classroom (Meeting RM 3)
Speakers: Isabelle Bieser, Zoological Society of Milwaukee
Description: This session will detail the efforts to improve the well-being of our ambassador animals on education programs with new presentation habitats, well-being data collection, and improved training procedures. These practices have helped us provide more natural presentation methods and have helped us connect our community to nature through empathy messaging.

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Preserving Tribal Land, Culture, and Sovereignty - Scan QR code for meeting location!
Speakers: Lea Zeise, Ohe·láku | Among the Cornstalks, & Tony Kuchma, Oneida Land, Environmental, Agriculture, & Food Division
Description: Originally from upstate New York, the Oneida Nation has called 65,400-acres along Duck Creek home for over 200 years. Participants will tour the Ohe:láku (Among the Cornstalks) farm whose mission is to re-learn to care for our ancestral seed relatives and pass on our cultural teachings to the next generations, as well as a bird monitoring project happening on the wetlands in the Oneida Nation Reservation in collaboration with the North East Wisconsin Bird Alliance. Participants will receive a booklet about land use, access, and sovereignty from the Oneida Nation.

Where Nature Meets Innovation: Building a Schoolwide Culture of Outdoor Learning (Auditorium)
Speakers: Melanie Bawek, Lindsay Bagniewski, & Dustin Lovell (Trempealeau Elementary School)
Description: Discover how Trempealeau Elementary transformed outdoor learning into a schoolwide culture. Learn how every student and staff member participates in Outdoor Classroom Days using trails, ponds, gardens, and natural spaces to support academics, wellness, and exploration. Leave with practical ideas to build staff confidence and create meaningful, year-round outdoor learning experiences.

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Water Wise = "Water Solutions" (Meeting RM 1)
Speaker: Jamian Knuth, Harborside Academy
Description: We will showcase the phases of students' work at Harborside Academy, the resources for the students' ideas, how to incorporate the local government, use of university experts, coordination of non-profit organizations, fieldwork in the natural community, and cross-curricular incorporation. Participants will have the ability to interact with students' work from Harborside Academy and see if this student-led project is a fit for them and their community!

Who Already Cares? Finding Hidden Environmental Partners (Meeting RM 2)
Speaker: Carly Hinz & Cassie Bauer, Urban Ecology Center
Description: Your community is full of people, groups, and organizations that care and want to make a difference... you just may not know them yet! In this hands-on workshop, you'll discover the hidden strengths, skills, ideas, and resources already in your community, practice a simple asset-mapping tool, and learn how to build partnerships that strengthen your environmental work.

Second Best: Using Props and Models to Interpret and Play (Meeting RM 3)
Speaker: Beth Mittermaier
Description: Of course, touching nature is best, but is there a second best? I'll share how I have engaged audiences with roadkill butterflies, oversized ant colonies, painted snakes, and more. We'll explore using different media to take a second look at nearby nature and imagine hands-on ways to interpret and play.

Future and opportunities for water curriculum in Wisconsin (Auditorium)
Speaker: Taylor Hamblin, UW-La Crosse
Description: This session explores opportunities for advancing water education in Wisconsin through interdisciplinary, inquiry-based curriculum that connects science, social studies, and civic engagement. Participants will examine lessons from Protecting Nebraska Waters, explore strategies for local adaptation, and leave with classroom resources, inquiry lessons, and implementation ideas for Wisconsin schools.

Building Community and Possibility through Outdoor Experiences in Urban Spaces (Meeting RM 1)
Speakers: Lori Klein, Jodi Hundt, & Pavithra Jadav (Urban Ecology Center)
Description: This session will provide an overview of the Urban Ecology Center, a non-profit with three campuses serving local communities. Presenters will share their experiences as Environmental Education staff. We'll also reflect on food access in the city, and imagine equitable and abundant foodscapes in the future.

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Igniting Climate Action in Wisconsin (Meeting RM 2)
Speakers: Victoria Rydberg-Nania, Wisconsin DPI; Becca Frazen, UWSP; and Crystal Schelonka, UWSP
Description: Climate education is heating up in Wisconsin. New data from educators is informing the development of resources and professional learning opportunities. Join Wisconsin partners to explore what is available, share what you are doing, and learn how you can fire up students to move from anxiety to action.

Small Acts, Stronger Community (Meeting RM 3)
Speakers: Skylar Primm and Amanda Bolan (Koshkonong Trails School)
Description: At Koshkonong Trails School, students participate in monthly service projects to care for our home at the Severson Learning Center. These days evolved from an isolated annual Earth Day tree planting into monthly opportunities to practice stewardship, learn new skills, and build community. Hear from two teachers about this journey.

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