

THE ART OF HOSTING AND HARVESTING CONVERSATIONS THAT MATTER

WHAT GROWS WHEN WE COURAGEOUSLY IMAGINE THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION AND LEARNING TOGETHER?

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Our education system is at a crossroads. As educators, trainers and learners we know that it is not responding to the world we live in.

Yet this same system also harbors pockets of resistance, hope, creativity and real possibility for something different. Dreams of what a space for learning could be if it were designed for connection, humanity, justice, inclusion, and creativity.

- What shifts when we approach education from 7 generation thinking?
- How might we embrace the outdoors as our teacher?

The Art of Hosting and Harvesting Conversations that Matter (also known as the Art of Participatory Leadership) offers simple and powerful participatory practices, patterns and processes to host generative conversations that can lead to coordinated action and positive change.

These approaches have been used effectively in diverse contexts worldwide to harness collective wisdom, encourage compassionate leadership and collaboration, and create better social and environmental outcomes.

ARE YOU?

- Helping the transition towards more inclusive, just, responsible systems of education;
- Taking decolonization and anti-racism values into practice;
- Creating spaces for learning in your organization, community, home and in your school;
- Exploring the art of humaning, and what happens when we create the conditions so that all of us can step into our full capacity as humans;
- Strengthening your capacity to see existing and emerging strengths and leverage points;
- Discovering and sharing inspiring and accessible ideas and practices.

SAVE THE DATE

We warmly invite you to join us for a 3-day Art of Hosting training at Queen's University Biological Station, along Lake Opinicon, from Thursday October 16th evening to Sunday October 19th afternoon.

This event will be taking place on unceded Algonquin Anishinaabe territory, where the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Nations have lived in relationship with the lands since long before today.