
Upcoming Events

Summer Course 2016

Tending the Roots of Sustainability

*The Significance of Experience-based Learning and
Our Responsibility to Children and the Earth*

June 19 – 25, 2016

Our course is designed to nurture connectedness with the wisdom of nature. We tend the roots of sustainability when we inspire children to perceive, to probe, to question; to be astounded by the intricacy of nature; to understand and to value the interconnectedness of all beings and processes.

This means working on developing new capacities. In the course, we will

- Engage in concrete experiences with nature.
- Become aware of and work to break through habits of abstract thought.
- Practice attending to and understanding the dynamic nature of nature.
- Discuss developmentally appropriate ways to connect children to nature.
- Explore the role of cultural activities (story, festivals, and art) in awakening capacities that embody vitality and a sense of connectedness.

The course, which will be taught by Craig Holdrege and Henrike Holdrege, begins on Sunday evening, June 19, at 7 pm and ends on Saturday, June 25, at 1 pm with a potluck lunch.

On Wednesday evening we will have a guest lecture on the course theme by George Russell, Ph.D., editor of the 2014 book *Children and Nature: Making Connections*, co-founder and former editor of *Orion* magazine, and emeritus professor of biology (Adelphi University). This talk will be open to the public.
