



## **WORKSHOPS AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

### **OUTDOOR LEARNING 101... WAKE UP THE SENSES AND LEARN!**

It seems easy enough, let's go for a walk and see what we find. Current research supports the many psychological and physical benefits of outdoor experiences and exploration for childhood development, why don't more of us do this with our students? Children's full physical involvement in learning- touch, smell, taste, sight and hearing - is vitally important and downright fun! Enliven your teaching and maximize learning with lessons that involve all the senses. Whether your students are adventurous or squeamish, they will all respond eagerly to the kinds of activities and encouragement you will discover while using the outdoors as your classroom. Join Learning By Nature to learn how you can set yourself and your students up for success while exploring the great outdoors. (2hr) \$275

### **EXPLORING STANDARDS OUTSIDE THE 'WALLS' OF LEARNING**

Watch your students become genuinely engaged with hands-on, real-life learning about habitat, senses, living organisms, biodiversity, ecology, seasons, cycles, local conservation issues, food and nutrition, and Native American studies. Together, we will work through some lively lessons and establish 'how to' steps for safely integrating the outdoor environment into your current standards-based lessons across the curriculum, subjects, ages and abilities. Bring either your standards or an outline of the units/ lessons you teach, for group work application. (4hr) \$550

### **TRANSFORMING OUTDOOR SPACES INTO LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

School gardens, natural playgrounds and outdoor classrooms are sprouting up across the world. Whether your facility is breaking ground, dreaming or sharpening the planning pencils, there are many ways teachers, parents and community members can be involved in the development of these exciting opportunities and spaces. Through a step by step process, we will walk through how to create a plan for a sustainable outdoor learning and/or play environment. You will leave home with a strategy, timeline and resource list to help you implement a (new) sustainable outdoor space into everyday teaching both in and out of the classroom. (4hr) \$550

### **OUTDOOR CLASSROOM AND NATURAL PLAYGROUND DESIGN SERVICES**

Learning By Nature offers custom design services to help you develop safe, engaging outdoor spaces for all ages and abilities. We believe a community created space generates sustainable projects, which means we work directly with your team (staff, children, parents, maintenance, contractors) to meet the needs and interests of your target audience. Our creative hands-on designs use native materials and ingeniously integrate existing outdoor features and play equipment into a personalized design. Fee based on scope of project.

*Please note: Workshop fees are listed as a base price. Travel, materials and special requests may be an additional cost.*

