

Winter 2017

Dear Applicant,

We are delighted that you are interested in participating in the Earth Leadership Cohort. To apply, please fill out the application that accompanies this letter. Your response to each question should be typed in normal (not bold) font and the completed form emailed to earthleadershipcohort@gmail.com by March 15th. Applications received after March 15th will be considered if there are still spaces available in the fifteen-member cohort.

Soon after your application is received, we will send an email confirming its arrival and possibly requesting a phone interview. (This will actually be more of a conversation than an interview – an opportunity for you to tell us more about yourself and to learn more about the program.) If you apply by March 15th, you can expect to receive an email from us by April 15th letting you know if we are able to welcome you into the cohort.

Participants in this program are asked to commit to attending both meetings (June 2-7 and June 22-25).

If you would like to apply for a scholarship, please also fill out the Scholarship Application Form and return it to earthleadershipcohort@gmail.com by March 15th.

With your permission, excerpts from your Earth Leadership Cohort application may be used in our scholarship fundraising efforts. If you are willing, please email a photo of yourself that we could send to prospective donors and grant-makers along with your writing. (Some donors may prefer to sponsor individual students.) If you are featured in an existing on-line article or website, feel free to send us the link.

We hope to be able to make scholarship awards by April 15th, but this will depend on our fundraising success. Your assistance in finding potential funding sources (e.g., through your college, employer, or social network) would be greatly appreciated.

We look forward to getting to know you through the application process.

Warm regards,

Aravinda Ananda
Markie Babbott
Kirstin Edelglass
Joseph Rotella

Facilitators for the Earth Leadership Cohort

Application for the Earth Leadership Cohort

A training series in the Work That Reconnects for young adults ages 18 – 30.

June 2-7; June 22-25, 2017

Name: _____ **Nickname:** _____

Address: _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

Phone Number(s): _____

Email Address: _____

Birth date: _____ **Gender (and pronoun preference):** _____

Briefly describe your education. List the schools/programs/experiences that have most inspired you. Name subject areas and skill sets that have been of particular interest.

Are you currently enrolled in any school or education program? (If so, please name.)

What places on Earth do you particularly love? How did you come to know them?

Please describe your life experience and/or studies that have contributed to your interest in Joanna Macy's work and the Work That Reconnects.

What do you hope to gain from the experience of being a member of the Earth Leadership Cohort?

What do you dream of doing to contribute to the healing of our world?

What are you already doing?

What further experience, training, or study would you like to pursue in the future?

Is there anything else that you would like to tell us?

If you are invited to participate in the Earth Leadership Cohort, will you be able to commit to attending both meetings? (We'll need to have a firm commitment by May 1st.)

Are you comfortable with us selecting excerpts from this application to include in our fundraising materials? _____

Would you like to remain anonymous? _____

If not, would you be willing to supply a digital photograph of yourself that we may choose to send to potential donors with excerpts of your writing? _____

Scholarship Application

The total cost for tuition, room, and board for the two trainings is \$950. All participants are asked to pay a minimum of \$250 toward their experience. A \$100 deposit is due by May 1, 2017. A volunteer effort is underway to raise funds for need-based scholarships to cover some or all of the remaining balance, according to financial need. If you or someone you know would like to contribute to this scholarship fund, please contact Aravinda Ananda at earthleadershipcohort@gmail.com.

If you would be unable to participate without a scholarship, please answer the following questions. Your answers will be confidential.

Name _____

Are you financially independent? _____

If not, have you asked your parents, guardians, or other relatives if they would be willing to pay all or part of the \$950 fee? _____

If you are financially independent:

What was your income in 2015 and 2016? _____

How much do you feel you would be able to contribute to the \$950 tuition?

Would you prefer to set up a payment plan and pay in monthly installments?

Are there any personal or family circumstances you would like us to take into consideration when calculating your scholarship award? If so, please explain.