



***Celebrating the 100 Languages of...
Children and Teachers and Trees: Oh my!***

Saturday, September 13, 2025

Camp Meade, Middlesex, VT

You are invited to a RIVET one-day conference ***Celebrating the 100 Languages of...Children and Teachers and Trees: Oh my!*** This conference will celebrate the relationships between children and trees and explore materials and media that will give voice to their encounters.

Conference Program

8:00 Early Birds, join us for **Optional Yoga in the Grove** led by Jen Degen

Please bring your own mat.

8:45 Registration and Treats

Have a treat, chat with friends and make new ones

9:15 Welcome

9:30 Children and Trees in Relationship

Keynote speaker [Alison James](#), author of *Maple and Rosemary*

10:00 Morning in the Studio: Listening to Trees through Multiple Languages

Participate in **one** of the following studios led by Vermont artists! [Click here](#) to indicate your preferences.

Circle Singing

Jodie Albright

Jelly Printing

Rena Diana

Natural Inks

Rachel Mirus

Clay

Jerry Geier

Journal Making & Writing

Alison James

Paper-making

Laurie Shelton

Drawing

Louise Cadwell

Mixed Media

Angela Sillers

Photography

Jim Squires

12:00 Please bring your own bag lunch

1:00 Experiencing the Woods: Nurturing, Expressing, Deepening our own Encounters with Trees

Take a Walk in the Woods: Relate, Observe, Record, Reflect, Represent

2:30 Open Studios

Visit the studios to view the multiple ways others expressed what they experienced in the woods today

3:00 Regroup/share

Thank-you for joining us and please consider sharing encounters between children and trees (oh my!) on the [RIVET](#) website!

3:15 Open Invitation to stay on (and invite your family to join you!) to learn traditional Italian dances with Marie DiCocco and Celest DiPietropaolo

Registration Information

Conference registration is a donation of \$50.00. [Register here.](#)

All proceeds from this conference will be dedicated to support the RIVET project to bring the Reggio Children Exhibition-Atelier *Mosaic of Marks, Words, Material* to Vermont in summer 2026. **If you are able, please consider contributing more than the conference donation of \$50.00.** [Click here](#) to donate more.

Professional Development Credit Hours

Professional Development credit hours will be available through Northern Lights.

THANK YOU!

We are so grateful to [Planetary Arts Institute](#) at Camp Meade for hosting us in this special, beautiful location, to folks at [Spring Hill School](#) for supporting us with logistics, to the **Vermont artists** for donating their time and skills to lead studio sessions, and to you for your support – all to help raise funds to bring the *Mosaics of Marks, Words, Material* Exhibition-Atelier to educators, families, and young children in Vermont!