



MAINE EMERGING ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGEMAKERS GATHERING

10:00 AM Friday September 28th through 4:00 PM Saturday September 29th 2018
Tanglewood 4-H Camp and Learning Center, Lincolnville, Maine

What is Changemakers?

Changemakers is a youth-led intergenerational network that connects young Mainers (ages 15-30) from diverse backgrounds who are passionate about the environment with peer mentors, and established professional mentors, in the sector. Changemakers provides the training and resources needed to support the environmental actions that participants organize in their communities. The Changemakers program commits to challenging traditional models of leadership, increasing innovation through dialogue, and crossing age and ability boundaries to develop a more inclusive and equitable environmental sector.

Changemakers is a program of the *Maine Environmental Education Association* and the Gathering is presented in collaboration with *Cultivating Community*, *Maine Audubon*, *Natural Difference LLC* and the *4-H Camp and Learning Center at Tanglewood*.

How can I join Changemakers?

Apply now to join Changemakers! Apply online at www.meeassociation.org/registerchangemaker.html
Applications must be submitted online by midnight **August 27th, 2018**.

The Gathering:

The 2018 cohort kicks off at our annual youth-led intergenerational Gathering, where you will grow your networks and skills so that you can feel empowered to lead forward environmental change in your community. We bring together up to 60 amazing changemakers from a variety of backgrounds in environmental education, sustainability, conservation, environmental justice and/or local, sustainable food systems. Preference will be given to those representing underserved audiences and communities in Maine who can contribute to the work of broadening and diversifying Maine's environmental sector.

Gathering Goals:

- Connect passionate individuals across diverse age, backgrounds, and perspectives in Maine's environment and conservation sectors.
- Provide inspiration and seed innovation and collaboration through the sharing of personal learnings.
- Assist participants in defining their "sense of purpose" as the foundation of leadership.
- Provide skill building training on topics such as: transformational leadership, grant writing, and equitable hiring practices.
- Engage in innovative conversations exploring how we can better support and amplify the voice of emerging environmental changemakers in Maine.

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GATHERING REGISTRATION:

The Gathering is free for emerging changemakers 15-30. \$100 fee for working professionals. Scholarships and travel assistance will be available upon request. Please do not let the cost of participation keep you from applying.

LOCATION:

Meals and lodging at Tanglewood 4-H Camp will be provided. Food is healthy, delicious, and focused on locally sourced ingredients. Food accommodations are available. Set in the midst of 900 acres of tranquil forest, Tanglewood features rustic living accommodations with modern kitchen and bathroom amenities. Living accommodations comprise two heated lodges, three heated cabins, and nine unheated cabins. There are twelve miles of trails, playing fields, campfire sites and an outdoor amphitheater.

We will get back to you regarding the status of your application by early September so SAVE THE DATE!!!

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