



JOSEPH BHARAT CORNELL

Joseph Bharat Cornell is a world-renowned author, educator, naturalist, and storyteller. His *Sharing Nature*[®] books have “sparked a worldwide revolution in nature education,” and have been published in twenty-five languages and sold over a million copies. Founder of *Sharing Nature Worldwide*, Mr. Cornell pioneered in the 1970s a playful and experiential approach to nature education—*Flow Learning*[™]—a transformative learning process that is joyful and deeply inspiring.

In his newest book, *Deep Nature Play: A Guide to Wholeness, Aliveness, Creativity, and Inspired Learning*, Mr. Cornell explains how deep play’s absorbing quality immerses us in the natural world. Children and adults alike become so engrossed in the playful game experience that they seamlessly feel themselves part of nature.



He has delivered keynote addresses at:

- John Denver’s Windstar Symposium
- China Nature Education Forum
- National Council of Churches USA
- International Camping Congress, Toronto, Canada
- Nature Conservation Academy, Germany
- World Scouts, Geneva, Switzerland
- Children & Nature Network Conference
- Scottish Natural Heritage, and many more nature and education conferences



“No one is more effective than Joseph Cornell in connecting people of all ages with the profound peace, joy, and exhilaration available to us through direct experience in nature.”

—Cheryl Charles, PhD
Children & Nature Network

“Joseph Cornell is one of the true **founding fathers of Forest Therapy practice**. It was Joseph who—decades ago—recognized and learned to utilize the positive health potential forests and natural environments have on human beings.”

—Drs. Qing Li, Won Sop Shin, Andreas Michalsen, and Dieter Kotte
Editors, *International Handbook of Forest Therapy*



FOR HIS WORK, MR. CORNELL HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS AWARDS AND HONORS.

- Joseph Bharat Cornell was named one of the world's “**100 most influential opinion leaders** committed to the Environment” and a “**guardian angel of the planet**” by Les Anges Gardiens de la Planete in France.
- For his vast influence on environmental education in Central Europe, he received the prestigious **Countess Sonja-Bernadotte Prize: Way of Nature** from the German Horticultural Society.



- Voted one of the **Great Nature/Environmental Authors and Leaders to Read and Know**, American Camping Association

He was honored alongside Jane Goodall, David Attenborough and Sting as an Honorary Member of the Hungarian Society of Environmental Education for his service as a **role model for educators worldwide**.

- The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service selected Mr. Cornell's first book, *Sharing Nature with Children*[®], as one of the fifteen **most influential books** published since 1890 for connecting children and families with nature.
- His highly effective outdoor learning strategy, *Flow Learning*[™], was featured by the U.S. National Park Service as one of five recommended learning theories, along with the works of Maria Montessori, Howard Gardner, John Dewey, and Jean Piaget.
- Joseph Cornell received the **National Honorary Award** for giving prestige to the profession and for his vast contribution to the field of natural science interpretation, along with honorees Roger Tory Peterson and William O. Douglas, by the National Association for Interpretation.
- Joseph Bharat Cornell has appeared on *Good Morning LA*, BBC Television with Sir Peter Scott, BBC *Natural History Radio*, and *National Taiwan Radio*. His articles have been featured in *Backpacker* magazine, *E: The Environmental Magazine*, *New Age Journal*, *Mother Earth News*, *Camping*, *Green Teacher*, *Science and Children*, *Light of Consciousness*, and more.

“In these times, we need deep nature play and Joseph's gifts more than ever.”

—Richard Louv
author of *Last Child in the Woods*

“In *Deep Nature Play*, Cornell gently guides us to ‘discover, through nature, our own higher nature.’”

—Mahrukh Bulsara
Co-Founder, Ecomantra Nature Awareness and travel, India

AWARDS FOR SHARING NATURE BOOK SERIES

Deep Nature Play: A Guide to Wholeness, Aliveness Creativity, and Inspired Learning

Next Generation Indie Book Awards Finalist, Science / Nature

Bronze Evergreen Medal for Nature Conservation

Sharing Nature[®]: *Nature Awareness Activities for All Ages*

Grand Prize: Indie Book Awards for non-fiction

Silver Nautilus Award for Animals & Nature

Silver Evergreen Medal for Nature Conservation

The Sky and Earth Touched Me • Grand Prize: Indie Book Awards for non-fiction

Science/Nature/Environment winner: Indie Book Awards

Spiritual winner: the Green Book Festival

Listening to Nature • Book of the Year: Izaak Walton League

John Muir: My Life with Nature • ASPCA Henry Bergh Children's Book Award:

Non-Fiction Humane Heroes

Sharing Nature with Children[®] (1979 original edition) • Best Book Award:

Ministry of Environment, South Korea



“This classic volume* belongs on any short list of the most important environmental books.”

* *Sharing Nature*

—Bill McKibben

author of *Deep Economy*, founder 350.org.

“Joseph Cornell is one of the most highly regarded nature educators in the world today. His expertise, and his irrepressible enthusiasm for the grandeur and mystery of nature spill over onto every page. His unique blend of knowledge and warmth creates an atmosphere of learning that is very contagious.”

—National Association for Interpretation



Joseph Cornell brings to modern life
John Muir's experience:

*“Nature's peace flows into us
as sunshine flows into trees.”*





“Joseph Cornell is one of the most revered American nature educators in the world today. His teachings unite intelligence, heart, and spirituality to convey a unique magnetism that brings people back to their own nature. Participants experience the joy of learning with a pure heart, evoking love and respect for the environment”

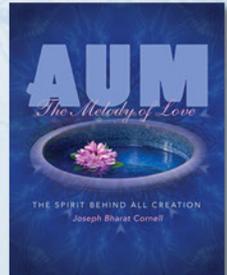
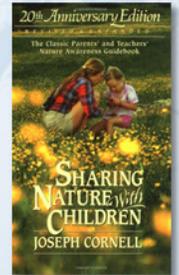
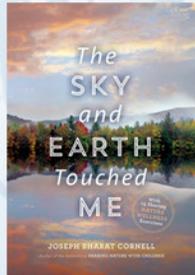
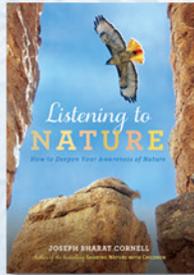
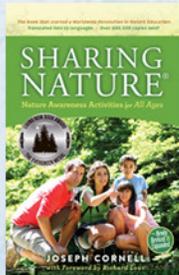
—*Yangmingshan National Park*
Taiwan



Known for his warmth and joyful enthusiasm, Joseph Cornell “has a genius for finding the essence of a subject, explaining it in clear and compelling ways, and then giving the reader creative exercises to gain an actual experience for himself.”

His *Sharing Nature* books are used in virtually every country of the world. He is the honorary president of **Sharing Nature Association of Japan**, which has 10,000 members and 40,000 trained leaders.

Joseph and his wife, Anandi, are senior ministers and residents of *Ananda Village*, a 700-acre cooperative community in the Sierra Foothills of Northern California. *Ananda* is one of the most respected intentional communities in the world. Founded in 1969 by *Swami Kriyananda*, Ananda practices the universal teachings of *Paramhansa Yogananda*.



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