

# 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 25 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 learning process that is fun, deeply meaningful, and inspiring.

In his newest book, *Deep Nature Play: A Guide to Wholeness, Aliveness, Creativity, and Inspired Learning*, Mr. Cornell illustrates the importance of play as an integral part of the human and animal experience. In an era where separation and opposition are ever-dramatized in the media, *Deep Nature Play* demonstrates that simple, childlike play can enhance one’s open-mindedness, eagerness to learn, and ability to connect and empathize with others.



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
- 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*

“This man is connected to the heart of our planet, and the Earth’s wisdom shines through him.”

—*New Texas Magazine*

## 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.
- 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*<sup>®</sup>, 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

### *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



“[Cornell] has become something of an American Cousteau.”

— Scott Blakely

for the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Milwaukee Journal*.

“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 Bharat Cornell is one of the most revered American nature educators in the world today. His teachings bring people back to their own nature and they experience the joy of learning with a pure heart, evoking love and respect for the environment..”

—Yangmingshan National Park  
Taiwan

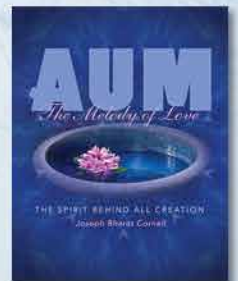
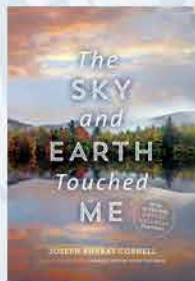
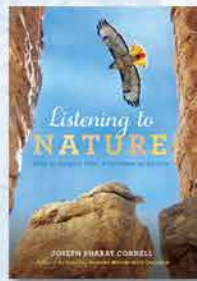
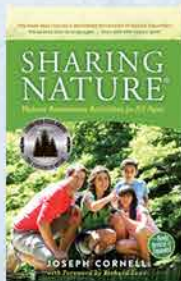


Joseph Bharat Cornell and his wife, Anandi, are 40-year residents of [Ananda Village](#), a 700-acre cooperative community in the Sierra Foothills of Northern California.

Living the spiritual practices of yoga in daily life, Ananda Village is one of the most respected intentional communities in the world. Through its retreat centers, Living Wisdom Schools, beautiful gardens, organic farming, publications, online classes, and example of living in

harmony with nature and with one another, [Ananda](#) serves people all over the world.

Founded in 1969 by [Swami Kriyananda](#), Ananda practices the universal teachings of [Paramhansa Yogananda](#). Ananda will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2019.



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