ECO-ARTS: ARTISTIC APPROACHES TO ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION

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ECO-ARTS EDUCATION IS:
Eco-arts education integrates arts education with environmental education as a means of developing awareness of and engagement with environmental concepts and issues.

COMMON VALUES IN ECO-ARTS:
- Land Ethic: Recognizing that we are members of an interdependent "community" that includes not only humans, but "...soils, waters, plants and animals, or collectively: the land." (Leopold)
- Systems Thinking: Visualizing patterns and relationships across disparate information and knowledge systems, and applying the lessons of ecosystems to our human communities. (Capra)
- Sustainability: Designing our lives, work, products, social systems and relationships to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. (World Commission on Environment and Development)
- Social and Biological Diversity: Understanding that diversity among disciplines, cultures and species is a prerequisite for systems health and resilience.
- Social and Environmental Justice: Insisting that all species have a right to a clean environment that supports our health and the ecological systems that sustain life.
- Collaboration: Bridging the boundaries between disciplines, cultures, classes, genders, communities and species, respecting what each brings to designing solutions that work for everyone.
- Integrity: Closing the gap between what we value and how we act in the world.

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ARTISTS WITH AN ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS:
Joseph Beuys, Mierle Laderman-Ukeles, Agnes Denes, Mel Chin, Andy Goldsworthy, Lynne Hull, Hamish Fulton, Richard Long, Alan Sonfist, herman de vries, Dominique Mazeaud, etc.

MUSICIANS WITH AN ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS:
Bruce Cockburn, Joni Mitchell, Sting, Mike Ford, Midnight Oil, Chris McKool, Banana Slug String Band, Bill Oliver, Jim Stolz
TO LEARN MORE...

**Eco-Art**

**Eco-Art Education for Teachers:**

**Websites**
Green Museum
[http://www.greenmuseum.org](http://www.greenmuseum.org)

Community Arts Network – Arts and the Environment

Science, Nature and Environmental Ed Songs
[http://acoe.org/resources/songs/index.html](http://acoe.org/resources/songs/index.html)

Links for Environmental Music
[http://www.planetpatriot.net/enviro_music_links.html](http://www.planetpatriot.net/enviro_music_links.html)

MUSE (Musicians United to Sustain the Environment)

Environmental Songs

Enviro-Arts
[http://arts.envirolink.org/index.html](http://arts.envirolink.org/index.html)

Greens Arts Web
[http://www.greenarts.org/artprojects.html](http://www.greenarts.org/artprojects.html)