

PLEASE JOIN US!

# The Greater Baltimore Children & Nature Conference

## Inspiring a Child's Sense of Wonder

Wednesday, February 20, 2008  
9 am - 5 pm (breakfast buffet at 8:30 am)

The Waldorf School of Baltimore, 4801 Tamarind Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21209

Join a peer-to-peer dialogue with community leaders. Explore the many ways that contact with the natural world can help our youth thrive and become stewards of our urban environment. Strategize how to increase opportunities for nature experiences in our city.

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Akiima Price**

*Chief of Education & Programs, NY Restoration Project*

### Highlights Of The Agenda Include:

- A youth panel and a youth produced video about the environment
- A panel of adult health experts and nature program leaders
- Joan Almon, Chair of Alliance for Childhood speaking about unstructured outdoor play
- Case studies from Baltimore community gardens, schoolyards, and parks

### Conference Outcomes:

- Connecting Communities with Providers
- Launch a *Greater Baltimore Leave No Child Inside Campaign*; visit the Children & Nature Network ([www.cnaturenet.org](http://www.cnaturenet.org)) to view other U.S. campaigns
- Specific action plans for nature connections in schools & neighborhoods
- Written & audio reports from breakout sessions
- Future Forums on specific topics for community building

The conference is **FREE OF CHARGE** to participants. Space is limited to 180 attendees. We hope you or one representative from your organization will attend this exciting gathering! Opportunities to support the conference are on the registration page.



**REGISTER ONLINE at** <http://www.hookedonnature.org/conferencereg.html>

Or mail registration form to: Mary Hardcastle, GBCAN, PO Box 38, Stevenson, MD 21153

*Casual attire & comfortable shoes in case nature draws you outdoors during lunch!*

Steering Committee: Parks & People Foundation | YMCA | Waldorf School of Baltimore  
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