

AWI COMMUNITY MISSION



To rekindle a love and appreciation for the environment and community through exploration, creativity, connection and growth

The goals for the Art and Wilderness Institute Community, based on its mission to rekindle a love and appreciation for the environment and community through exploration, creativity, connection, and growth, are as follows:

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Environmental Education and Stewardship:



- Develop and offer programs that educate participants about local ecosystems, conservation efforts, and sustainable practices.
- Promote hands-on experiences in nature that foster a deeper understanding and respect for the environment and creation.

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Creative Expression:



- Provide opportunities for individuals to explore and express their creativity through various art forms inspired by nature.
- Organize workshops, art classes, and exhibitions that highlight the intersection of art and the natural world.

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Community Building:



- Facilitate events and activities that encourage community engagement and collaboration.
- Create spaces and programs that bring together diverse groups to share their experiences and learn from one another.

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Personal Growth & Well-being:



- Offer programs that support personal development, mindfulness, and well-being through nature-based activities.
- Encourage practices that enhance mental, emotional, and physical health by connecting with nature.

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Exploration and Adventure:



- Design and lead outdoor adventures and excursions that promote exploration and discovery of natural landscapes.
- Provide safe and accessible opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the wilderness.

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Sustainability & Conservation Advocacy:



- Advocate for environmental policies and practices that protect natural habitats and promote sustainability.
- Collaborate with local, regional, and national organizations to support conservation initiatives.

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Life-long Learning:



- Create educational programs that cater to various age groups, from children to adults, fostering a lifelong love of learning about nature and the arts.
- Offer resources and opportunities for continuous learning and skill development in environmental and artistic fields.

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Inclusive Advocacy to Nature:



- Ensure that programs and activities are inclusive and accessible to all, regardless of socioeconomic background or physical ability.
- Work to remove barriers that prevent people from engaging with nature and participating in creative and communal activities.