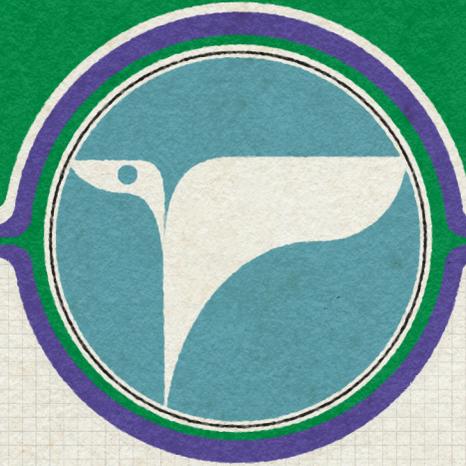


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Create Conversation.

A conversation starts from nothing
and can lead to almost anything.
Conversations hatch ideas that can change everything.

Practice lucid thinking.

Make decisions based on reason.

Believe in science & scientists.

They know stuff we don't. So listen.

Believe in art & the people who make art.

Artists have takes on nature and people
that are important to our survival. Let them speak.

Practice warm living.

Sit in sunny spots on cool afternoons,
birdwatch at dawn, stargaze at night, and
express love for one another pretty much all the time.

Practice coexistence.

As an operating principle, coexistence benefits all types of relationships—
for couples, for humans and wildlife, for communities, for continents.

Shape a bright future for all living organisms, not just ourselves.

Ask: "How can we compose each component of our built environment so it works
beautifully for people and makes splendid habitat for plants and wildlife?"

Grasp the truth that the shaping of the world begins right now.

We are where we are.
The carbon load in the atmosphere is what it is.
The current level of biodiversity is what it is.

Let's grant psychological amnesty to our grandparents and let's
forgive ourselves, too, for being sweet and lovely primates who are intelligent
AND who also mess up and make mistakes. Our ancestors held the power to
shape the world. We continue to be the only species on earth
with the ability and temerity to affect its future.

What will it be?

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