

# Fall news & updates

## AEOE has a new address!

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## Greetings!

AEOE will be representing California as your state affiliate at the North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) conference in Kentucky in October. We are honored to have been selected as the **2019 Outstanding Affiliate of the Year**. Will you be there? Come by our table to say hello!



## Environmental Educator of the Year nominations are still open!

There are still a few more days to nominate an outstanding educator! Help us recognize some of the great work being done by your friends and colleagues. Deadline: October 4, 2019. [Nominate someone here](https://aeoe.org/about/awards) or through <https://aeoe.org/about/awards>

## Organizational Updates



*Board member Kat Montgomery supporting California Coastal Cleanup efforts*

### Board Retreat & Coastal Cleanup

AEOE's Board of Directors held their annual fall retreat in September at YMCA Camp Surf in San Diego. It was a great weekend filled with strategic thinking, action planning, and meaningful contribution to local Coastal Cleanup efforts. Thanks for hosting us, Camp Surf!

### Environmental Educator Certification Program

AEOE is making progress on developing a statewide Environmental Educator Certification Program (EECP), which draws together stewards and educators of the environment into a structured and effective initiative and establishes a uniform foundation for effectively teaching about the environment. This effort is led by AEOE staff and board members, with support from a Steering Committee composed of representatives from California Naturalist, Humboldt State, California Department of Education, and National Association for Interpretation. Stay tuned for more information about how you can get involved!

## 2019-2020 AEOE Calendar of Events

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ALL MEMBERS

**Registration now open for fall conferences!** Apply to be a workshop presenter or register today! Check out our events page for more details at <http://aeoe.org/events>.

## **AEOE Northern Section Fall Conference 2019**

Save the date for the fall regional northern conference!

**Dates:** Friday, November 1 - Sunday, November 3, 2019

**Location:** Sly Park Environmental Education Center in Pollock Pines, CA

## **AEOE Southern Section Fall Conference 2019**

Save the date for the fall regional southern conference!

**Dates:** Friday, November 15 - Sunday, November 17, 2019

**Location:** Pathfinder Ranch in Mountain Center, CA

## **AEOE Statewide Spring Conference 2020**

Save the date for the spring conference! We're hoping for a great turnout in 2020!

**Dates:** Friday, May 1 - Sunday, May 3, 2020

**Location:** SCICON Outdoor School in Springville, CA

**Conference Theme:** Perspectives

### **CONFERENCE FLYERS**

Flyers for all three conferences can be found [in this folder](#). Please consider passing posting them at your site or passing them along to your friends!

### **Calling all volunteers!**

We need volunteers to make our conferences a success! To volunteer for a fall regional conference or the spring statewide conference, please contact Angela Kemsley ([angie@aeoe.org](mailto:angie@aeoe.org)), AEOE Board Member and Conference Chair.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MANAGERS, DIRECTORS, & PROGRAM COORDINATORS**

### **Save the Date for the EOSM Retreat!**

Come join your fellow camp directors, managers, coordinators and mentors for the 3rd Annual EOSM Managers Retreat (Environmental & Outdoor School Managers Group); an overnight retreat at Camp Ocean Pines in Cambria, CA.

**Date:** November 9-10, 2019

**Location:** Camp Ocean Pines in Cambria, CA

**Meals:** Saturday lunch and dinner, plus Sunday breakfast

**Cabins:** Indoor cabins with bunk beds and bathrooms

**Registration Deadline:** Nov. 1, 9:59 p.m. No late or in-person registrations will be accepted.

**Cost:** One person FREE per AEOE institutional membership! \$60 for additional members.

Current EOSM members have been sent the discount code. Check your inbox or reach out to [Gabe@aeoe.org](mailto:Gabe@aeoe.org) for help.

Register at: <https://aeoe.org/events/eosm-retreat-2019>

## **Regional EOSM Winter Events**

### **Southern Region**

**Date:** January 20, 2020

**Location:** Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center, Orange, CA

**Details:** One-day retreat for EOSM leaders; join AEOE to collaborate and network with other managers in the region, tour Irvine Ranch's facilities, and potentially receive professional development on a topic relevant to our work (TBD).

### **Northern Region**

**Date:** February 23, 2020

**Location:** NatureBridge Golden Gate, Sausalito, CA

**Details:** One-day summit for all outdoor and EE providers in the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond; hosted in collaboration by NatureBridge, Outward Bound, and Student Conservation Association; summit focus is on optimizing nature-based programs to enhance student's social & emotional learning (SEL); EOSM breakout session included. More information coming soon!

Contact Ryan Mayeda ([ryan@aeoe.org](mailto:ryan@aeoe.org)), AEOE Board Member and EOSM Coordinator with questions.

## **Fall Song, by Mary Oliver**

**Another year gone, leaving everywhere  
its rich spiced residues: vines, leaves,**

**the uneaten fruits crumbling damply  
in the shadows, unmaterring back**

**from the particular island  
of this summer, this NOW, that now is nowhere**

**except underfoot, moldering  
in that black subterranean castle**

**of unobservable mysteries - roots and sealed seeds  
and the wanderings of water. This**

**I try to remember when time's measure  
painfully chafes, for instance when autumn**

**flares out at the last, boisterous and like us longing  
to stay - how everything lives, shifting**

**from one bright vision to another, forever  
in these momentary pastures.**

**Mary Oliver (Sept. 10, 1935-January 17, 2019)**

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*AEOE is proud to be named Outstanding Affiliate of the Year!*

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