

The Stone Soup Leadership Institute

Cronkite Awards for Climate Education



Team Bio: Marianne Larned Author, Founding Director

Marianne Larned is the author of the Stone Soup for a Sustainable World: Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes and the Stone Soup Climate Education Curriculum.

As the founding director of the Stone Soup Leadership Institute, she works with a diverse team to build the Stone Soup Ed-Tech Platform with dynamic video-based educational tools that bring to life the inspiring stories in the Stone Soup for the World series.

Marianne's passion for sustainability evolved from living and working alongside young people from island communities that are on the front lines of climate change – from Martha's Vineyard to Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Sri Lanka, and the Philippines.

She uses the Stone Soup folk tale to encourage everyone to share their time, talents, and resources to empower multicultural young people and their communities so together we can build a more just, equitable, and sustainable world.

A progressive educator, thought leader, and spokesperson, Marianne's progressive education background includes the Rudolf Steiner International Training Center in Aberdeen, Scotland and the University of Massachusetts School of Education. Her business background from her master's degree in Organizational Development from Boston University, and leadership development training from Claire Nuer's Learning as Leadership, and the Wilson Learning Management Systems. A pioneer in CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility), Marianne served as a business consultant to Fortune 100 companies and chambers of commerce to develop workforce development strategies and innovative public-private partnerships in healthcare and education.



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