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Creating environments for healthy human development and a healthy biosphere for generations to come.

Thanks to all who contributed to our end of year appeal!



Registration is NOW OPEN for the Early Childhood Outdoor Learning Environments Certificate Course!

Register now for the Spring 2021 section of the Early Childhood Outdoor Learning Environments certificate. The 2.4 CEU course runs from February 15 - May 10, 2021. NC Residents pay just \$100.

Check out the NLI Website!



Newly Released InfoSheets!

Check out the newly released Infosheets including:

- [Natural Construction Settings](#)
- [Dry Stream Beds](#)
- [Earth Play Settings](#)
- [Shade Solutions](#)
- [Indoor Plants for Homes and Classrooms](#)

20th Anniversary Design Institute

Mark your calendars! The 20th Anniversary NLI Design Institute "Re-Naturing Urban Childhood: Towards a Healthy, Sustainable Culture" is scheduled for March 25-26, 2021. The Institute will be held virtually this year. Stay tuned!



Natural Learning at Home® January

This publication includes simple seasonal recipes, activities, and facts that can be used in both childcare centers and at home. These fun resources are a great way to enjoy the winter season.



Ice Painting

Learn about water and ice in this STEAM activity that stimulates children's senses and enhances their fine motor skills through creative design.



Enjoying Nature's Bounty

Painting Kindness Rocks

Bring joy and kindness into the New Year by painting rocks with encouraging messages and colorful patterns. When finished painting, go on a hike or take a walk around your neighborhood and leave these rocks for someone else to find—you'll brighten their day!

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