



Presenter Submission Form

Submission Guidelines

We (the folks at the Boys and Girls Club of Yukon) will be hosting the 7th Canadian Adventure Therapy Symposium (hereafter CATS7), being held September 19 to 21st, 2019. The Symposium is being held in Whitehorse, Yukon Territory by a collective of hosting organizations comprised of BGCY, Youth Of Today Society, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Yukon, Skookum Jim Friendship Centre, BYTE: Empowering Youth with support from the Outdoor Council of Canada. Please read all of the content in this document prior to submitting a workshop proposal.

Submissions deadline is January 24th, 2019.

Workshop presenters will receive a 50% discount on their registration fee.

PLEASE NOTE!! Yukon is old school and have decided to go with word documents for submissions for the time being.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING AND SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL TO US BY EMAIL AT

ed@bgcyukon.com

Please submit your CATS7 workshop proposal!

We are incredibly excited about the opportunity to host CATS7 and look forward to the journey of learning with many great organizations and people that have made, and continue to make, a difference in the lives of the people we work with. Transformative experiences are happening every day, in many ways and with great intention; this is an opportunity to come together to share these stories. We look forward to hearing what people in the world of Adventure Therapy want to share with their colleagues.

The intent of CATS7 is to blow your socks off through connecting individuals to themselves, the land and their community and to discuss the many ways in which we can promote health and wellness. Our events enable intergenerational connectivity and reaffirm the importance of integrating natural spaces as part of wellbeing. Workshops and presentations will focus on tools for practitioners, program design models and meaningful conversations to strengthening our nature-based practices.

Examples of past presentations:

Eco-Social Justice: Relevance, Responsibility and Reconnection by Adam Lindenburger

This workshop will examine how social and environmental justice overlap, and why that's important. It will look at the oppression of the planet as though it were a client. Discuss human rights and the environment, explore re-conceptions of the Person-in-Environment construct, talk about the trauma to transcendence cycle as it relates to environment. Its relevance to adventure therapy is the natural world is part and parcel to the work. As the profession expands into new realms of practice it is important to become more informed and engaged as therapists, leaders, change agents, activists, and community builders. The adventure and outdoor therapy profession is well positioned to become a stronger ally within a movement to address and alleviate the destruction of the planet and its effects on the social environment.

Length: 60 minutes

Yurt Construction: Take an experiential journey through traditional and natural building practices by Alex Cole

Building one's own shelter is incredibly empowering and our workshop takes the participant on an experiential education journey involving many aspects of traditional and natural building practices. Together we will explore Yurt construction as a tool for personal skill development, teamwork and transformative learning. Our workshop will provide an introduction to yurts, and the basics of yurt construction including: coppice as a timber crop, Acadian forest species, and erecting a 16 foot diameter yurt for future use at the CATS5 conference. The workshop will be experiential for the entire 90 minutes. Dress for the weather and prepare to be hands on!

Length: 90 minutes

Presentations can vary widely in scope and content. We encourage presenters to submit workshops that speak to promoting wellbeing in schools, projects led by youth and those run by seniors, as well as issues and resources that are a direct concern for program administrators and of course those that work to connect to the self, land and community.

Important Notes:

1. This CATS conference will include a generational Town Hall to look at National issues and how young people can come together to find solutions. The organizing committee is overseeing this project. Please send along all questions, comments and/or interest in supporting the delivery of this event.
 2. Youth refers to ages 12-30
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Name

First and last, please.

Email Address

What organization do you work with/for?

Title of Workshop/Presentation

As you would like it to appear in symposium publications.

Presenter Qualifications

Please include: presenter(s) name; skills and abilities in this realm; and a brief biography. 50 words maximum.

Expected outcomes

This is what you hope the participants will gain from the workshop.

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Program Description

How does the presenter hope to achieve the outcomes? What is the content of the workshop? What is the significance to the adventure therapy world? 150 words maximum.

Presentation Needs

This is what is needed for the presentation to be the most fantastic that it can be. Please check those that apply. Please note, laptops WILL NOT be provided for presentations, nor will hook ups for MAC laptops to the projectors.

- Large space to move about in, perhaps even outside
- Audiovisual equipment - screen and projector

Group Size

- Large group - 25 plus
- Medium group - 10 to 25
- Small group - less than 10

Audience Level

Choose the one that fits the best. Beginners are new folks to the field. Intermediate audiences are those that have been practicing a while; and Advanced are those with a solid foundation in the work.

- Beginner
 - Intermediate
 - Advanced
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Length of Workshop

- 90 minutes
- 3 hours

Location

- Indoor
- Outdoor

References:

Please provide at least 1 professional reference (name and email address)

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