

INTERNATIONAL RWK YOUTH CONFERENCE



Rising with KINDNESS

Kanha Shanti Vanam

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FRIDAY AUGUST 12 — SUNDAY AUGUST 14
HYDERABAD, INDIA

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NOW MORE THAN EVER KINDNESS MATTERS!

In the midst of darkness that seems to be plaguing the world we see hope. When disasters strike -- like a global pandemic or climate change - many immediately see the compassion of humans coming together as one. These acts of kindness are often overshadowed by the darkness of catastrophes; it is time we spotlight these moments of kindness. In these tough times, many of us are also learning how to show kindness to ourselves, through the adoption of wellness practices that help us feel more grounded in our own energy.

'Rising with Kindness' is an opportunity to celebrate these moments of kindness, to continue to foster camaraderie, and to get creative with how we 'self-care'. Join us for an immersive conference experience in Kanha Shanti Vanam, the World Headquarters of the Heartfulness Institute in Hyderabad, India, where we will:

- Spotlight moments of kindness
- Build community with like-minded people from around the world
- Connect with our inner self through meditation, yoga, and a myriad of other wellness practices that can help all of us feel grounded

We have witnessed millions of incredible acts of empathy and compassion that have brought relief, created and strengthened bonds, and helped build lasting solutions as the world accepts its new normal. Together, let's continue that momentum by Rising With Kindness.

THEME
Rising with
Kindness

Rising with Kindness, the International Youth Kindness Conference, is an experiential retreat for Young Kindness Enthusiasts to share and scale their impact. It is an inspirational space to refocus our attention on the many invisible acts of kindness, unity, and camaraderie seen around the world. We will rise together as youth kindness ambassadors, equipped with contemplative practices and innovation models for Peace and Sustainable development.

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matters

DATES	THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 (CHECK-IN) — SUNDAY EVENING, AUGUST 14, 2022
VENUE	Kanha Shanti Vanam Hyderabad, India
AGE GROUP	18-35 years
FORMAT	Conference and Concert
ATTENDEES	5,000 - 10,000+
KINDNESS STORIES	100,000+
EVENT TYPE	In-person at venue (select sessions will be broadcasted live)

The Rising with Kindness is a hybrid event being organised so that youth delegates can together develop a 'Kindness Statement', share kindness stories, showcase their Kindness projects, and learn to scale or organise their impact. All delegates will be offered Certificates of Participation by Heartfulness Institute. Few select Kindness Champions shall be invited to join the World Youth Kindness Conference, in November 2022 and some others stand to have their stories featured by UNESCO MGIEP.

The Rising with Kindness Conference will see international thought-leaders in Kindness, Celebrity artists and performers, youth influencers, and other inspirational figures.

OUTCOMES FOR THE YOUTH

- Kindness practices for Society, Environment, and Ourselves
- Exposure and Awareness towards Indian Culture & Heritage through Yoga, Meditation and inter-faith dialogues
- Inspiration for personal wellness and sustainable development
- Networking with like-minded youth leaders
- Digital Certificate of Participation
- Many more opportunities with Heartfulness and UNESCO MGIEP

POETRY

MEDITATION

self

YOGA

SEEK



Impact Areas

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EMPATHETIC LEADERSHIP

others

SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

COMMUNICATION

CIRCULAR ECONOMY

ZERO WASTE

nature

ECO BRICK

CLIMATE ACTIVISM



AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

12th August FRI

DAY 1 EXPERIENTIAL

Yoga +
meditation

Musical Interlude

Opening

SEEK Workshop

Kanha Tour

Plantation

Networking

13th August SAT

DAY 2 CEREBRAL

Yoga + Meditation
Recap

Keynote

Heartful
Communication

Green & Blue Innovation
Breakouts

Kindness Concert

14th August SUN

DAY 3 HEARTFUL

Meditation

Keynote

Youth Project
Showcase

Panel

Breakouts

TAGe: Science of
Kindness

KINDNESS CONCERT ON DAY 2

As part of the International Youth Kindness Conference, a Kindness Concert by world renowned artists to celebrate the Global #KindnessMatters Movement at Kanha Shantivanam

Ricky Kej

2 Time Grammy Award
Winner
& UNESCO MGIEP Kindness
Ambassador



Shibani Kashyap
Indian Singer



CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

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Daaji,
Global Teacher,
Heartfulness



Dr. Anantha
Duraiappah
Director, UNESCO MGIEP



P V Sindhu
World Champion and
Badminton Player



Pullela Gopichand
Chief National Coach,
Indian Badminton Team



Tanya Maniktala
Indian Actor



Joshna Chinappa
India Professional
Squash Player



Dr. Tejaswini Manogna
Physician & Miss Earth 2019



Kiran Bir Sethi
Founder, Design for
Change Foundation



Shiv Shivakumar
Group Exec-President,
Aditya Birla Group



Dr. Veronique Nicolai
Heartfulness Yoga &
Meditation Instructor



Puneeth Lalbhai
Executive Director,
Arvind Ltd

PROPOSED SPEAKERS (MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED)



Anurag Thakur
Union Minister of Youth
Affairs and Sports



Bhupender Yadav
Union Minister of
Environment



Akshat Srivastava
Entrepreneur & Educator



Harsha Bhogle
Journalist and Indian
Commentator



Rajendra Singh
Waterman of India



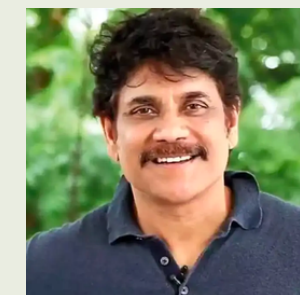
Vandana Shiva
Environmental Activist



Neerja Birla
Educationist & Mental
Health Activist



Shiv Khemka
Philanthropist



Nagarjuna Akkineni
Indian Actor



Amala Akkineni
Indian Actor and Animal
Welfare Activist



Ankur Warikoo
Author and
Entrepreneur

ACCOMMODATION AND AMENITIES

THE EVENT IS OFFERED ON A COMPLIMENTARY BASIS TO YOUTH INTERESTED TO PRACTICE KINDNESS FROM ACROSS THE WORLD

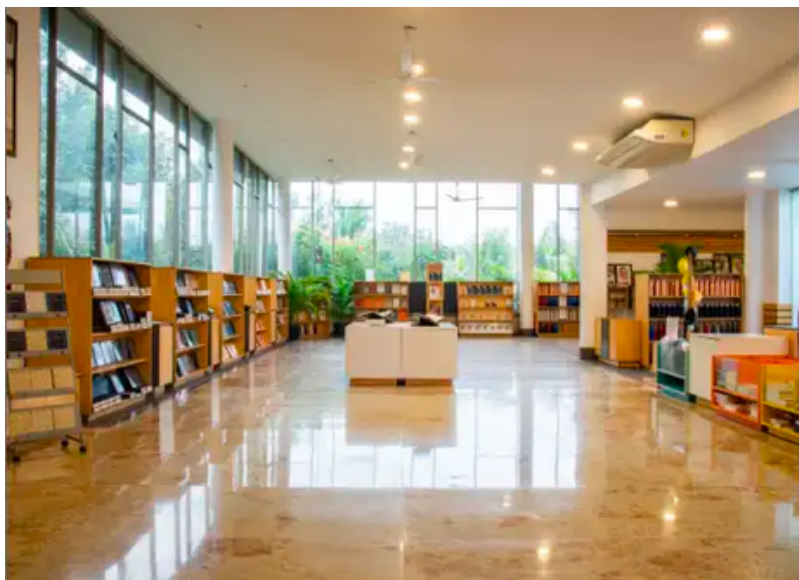
- Delegates are expected to arrive a day earlier on 11th August 2022 to check-in and settle down by 4PM
- Delegates can extend their stay upto the 15th August as preferred and plan to depart before 12 PM. In such cases, the event organising team needs to be notified so the same is arranged for.
- Food and stay for the delegates is being offered in a pay-it-forward approach supported by Heartfulness Institute.
- Three vegetarian meals and two snack breaks shall be catered to during the 3 days of the event at the dining hall or near the conference venue.
- Accommodation will be provided in clean and sanitised air-conditioned (subject to availability) / non - air-conditioned comfort dormitories with separate blocks for men and women



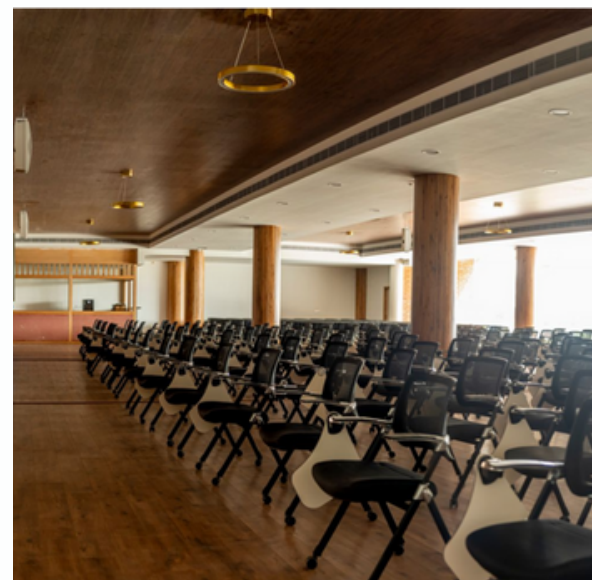
COMMON AREA IN THE DORMITORIES



AC AND NON-AC COMFORT DORMITORIES



BOOK STORE



CONFERENCE HALL



AUDITORIUM



CAFETARIA



EXTERIOR VIEW OF DORMS
(5K CAPACITY)

THE VENUE: **AN OASIS OF KINDNESS!** Kanha Shanti Vanam, Hyderabad



The World's Largest Meditation Center



Conference and auditorium center



Green and Blue projects



Where the world meditates



Volunteering at Kanha Shanti Vanam



International Yoga Academy



Many AgriTech innovations

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Kanha Shanti Vanam, Hyderabad

The campus, officially inaugurated by the President of India, His Excellency Shri Ram Nath Kovind in 2020, is being developed as a resplendent green space and ex-situ conservation center aimed at creating afforestation in the dry regions of Telangana, where attention has been paid to all natural elements which includes soil, water, plantation, bio-diversity etc.

Designed to facilitate extensive wellness & spiritual training & mentoring programs, promoting personal inner experience and opportunities to learn

- Wellness Center offering meditation and relaxation techniques to all
- Originally barren, Kanha now has 9 lakh trees and a nursery of 6 lakhs saplings, including 50 rare and endangered species
- A self-sustainable ecosystem, using solar, water harvesting, treatment of grey and black water in wetlands, composting, development of green energy sources etc.
- Traditional cottage industries, e.g. pottery, essential oils, ayurveda products.
- Education and training: The Heartfulness Learning Centre - a school with forward-thinking holistic education and an open curriculum; A training center for farmers in sustainable farming methods
- World class infrastructure, including:
 - a. A meditation hall that accommodates 100,000;
 - b. Overnight accommodation for 40,000 people, including a 3-star hotel
 - c. A kitchen providing food for up to 100,000 people



ADVISORY AND CODE OF CONDUCT

Write to rwk@heartfulness.org for any queries.



- Delegates are expected to reach one day before (i.e on the 11th of August 2022 before 4PM IST) as there is a Check-In and orientation to Kanha Shanti Vanam. While the conference concludes on the 14th, you may opt to stay back that night and leave on the morning of the 15th of August 2022.
- Delegates are encouraged to carry a Aadhar/ID card, hat, sunscreen, pair of slippers, and a water bottle.
- **Any prior medical conditions or allergies must be notified to the organizing committee.** We strongly advise any invitees who are sick/unwell to discontinue their plans and participate virtually.
- **Cigarettes/Alcohol/Narcotic substances/ fire arms are strictly prohibited at Kanha Shanti Vanam** any delegates found in possession of the same shall be instantly expelled from the program. The organizing team and the Kanha Shanti Vanam Management Team reserve all rights of entry in the premises.
- **Kanha Shanti Vanam being a meditation retreat does not permit activities after 10:00PM,** mobile phones in the meditation hall, etc.

GETTING READY!



Download the HeartInTune App to integrate Heartfulness Meditation into your lifestyle, obtain live meditation trainings, and also join various Live-Audio events. Please click below to download HeartInTune (free-of-cost).



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Heartfulness is a Global non-profit organisation, associated with United Nations DPI, with a 75-year history. Offers unique, simple, and secular practices such as relaxation, meditation, and rejuvenation for self-development to help us find inner calm and stillness in our extremely fast-paced world. Globally Heartfulness meditation is offered free of charge

Presence spans over 130+ countries with over four million practitioners, 14,000 trainers and 265 retreat centers worldwide. Pursuant to our vision and values, we serve humanity in areas of Education, Environment, and Wellness.

ABOUT OUR KNOWLEDGE PARTNER

UNESCO Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education and Peace and Sustainable Development (MGIEP) focuses on achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 4.7 towards education for building peaceful and sustainable societies across the world by developing programmes and products that promote social and emotional learning, innovate digital pedagogies and empower the youth

UNESCO MGIEP's Social Emotional Learning (SEL) interventions draw on the science of learning and aim to build intellectual and emotional intelligence among learners through innovative pedagogies. For further details, visit <https://mgiep.unesco.org/>



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