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Marion Institute Announces New Partnership

by Katie Mannix, BioMed Program Coordinator

The Marion Institute is excited to announce that it is partnering with Vermont-based nonprofit Creative Lives to bring their training program to practitioners in southern Massachusetts and beyond beginning this July, 2021. Geared towards educators and others working in youth-facing roles, Creative Lives' training program utilizes Ellen Tadd's Framework for Wise Education™ to help practitioners and young people gain self-awareness and learn techniques that support inspired engagement with the world, wise decision-making, focus, curiosity, emotional stability, healthy relationships, responsible action, and resilience. To learn more, apply, or register for an upcoming informational session, visit www.creativelives.org/south-coast.



BioBlog: Addressing Root Causes of ADHD & Anxiety with Ellen Tadd's Framework for Wise Education

by Maureen Burford, MEd

Ellen Tadd's Framework for Wise Education™ is based on her clairvoyant observation of our human energy system, or chakra system, and her many years of counseling work with individuals of all ages. Creative Lives, a Vermont-based nonprofit, utilizes Tadd's Framework to help educators, parents, and young people gain self-awareness and implement techniques that address root causes of stress, anxiety and ADHD, and other impediments to learning. [<<< Click to read about Callie, a fourth-grader who has been diagnosed with ADHD and who is thriving with the Framework program >>>](#)

BioBites
a virtual house call for your health and wellness

Addressing Root Causes of ADHD & Anxiety
with Maureen Burford, MEd
Executive Director of Creative Lives

Tuesday, June 1, 12:00PM EST

REGISTER bit.ly/june1biobite

[Click here to sign up for the June 1st BioBite Event](#)



What's Growing On? May 2021 News from Grow Education

by Adam Davenport, Grow Education Program Manager

For Grow Education, May appreciation extends beyond Mother's day. On May 7th, we also celebrated School Lunch Hero Day! Our amazing FoodCorps member, Keri, spent the day crafting handmade cards with students for Jacobs Elementary School cafeteria staff. Our "Lunch Heroes" can often be overlooked, but they nonetheless show up every day to nourish our youth. [<<< Click here to read more about the heart-warming messages students sent to NBPS food services staff! >>>](#)

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MI Welcomes New SFPC Program Manager, Christine Smith

by Liz Wiley, Executive Director

We're pleased to announce that we have a new Program Manager for the Southcoast Food Policy Council, Christine Smith! Christine is excited to add to the critical and ongoing work of the Southcoast Food Policy Council.

Discovering the root causes of the injustices in the world drew Christine into advocacy, organizing and education. In collaboration with other partners, Christine worked on a yearly advocacy day at the Capitol in Maryland to address poverty-related issues, including food access, housing and immigration. She collaborated with partners to provide legislative issue briefings, divided people into districts, and helped them organize and build relationships with lawmakers. Later, Christine worked with national partners to host yearly a three-day conference with other organizations to educate leaders from across the USA to lobby their Congressional legislators in Washington, DC.



When working on legislative immigration issues, Christine realized there was no safe space to have difficult dialogues and that as a society, we did not have the listening skills to address immigration reform. Working with national Peacebuilding experts, Christine provided people in Idaho a safe space to share and acquire skillsets in active listening and dialogue. She is thrilled to work with the Marion Institute to support the Southcoast Food Policy Council's goal of advocating for food justice and food security.

[<<< Click here to read more about Christine and get in touch with her >>>](#)

The SFPC is working in partnership with the **Shah Foundation** to deliver catered breakfasts and lunches to **Wareham, MA** students at the Brandy Hill Apartments?

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MARION INSTITUTE SOUTHCOAST FOOD POLICY COUNCIL

To date (in 2021) we've delivered **12,736 meals!!**

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FREE Virtual New Bedford Lyceum Lecture: Calling in the Calling Out Culture, with Loretta J. Ross - June 10th at 6pm

Join the Marion Institute, in partnership with the New Bedford Lyceum, for a candid discussion with feminist and anti-racist scholar-activist Loretta J. Ross. Ross' work emphasizes the intersectionality of social justice issues and how intersectionality can fuel transformation.

Ross is a visiting associate professor at Smith College (Northampton, MA) in the Program for the Study of Women and Gender where she teaches courses on white supremacy, race and culture in America, human rights, and calling in the calling out culture. Ross' new book, *Calling in the Calling Out Culture*, is forthcoming in Fall 2021.

The Marion Institute is a Partner of the New Bedford Lyceum.

[Click to register for this FREE event on June 10th!](#)



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THE CALLING OUT CULTURE**

Loretta J. Ross

**June 10, 2021 | 6pm
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