



# The Audacity of whY

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“Everyone here has the sense that right now is one of those moments when we are influencing the future.”

- Steve Jobs

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## Where Is TEDxTeen Taking Place?



### **In the heart of SoHo NYC at the Scholastic Auditorium.**

The Scholastic Auditorium provides a stimulating, one-of-a-kind environment for both children and adults that caters to a broad range of programming needs. The 4,000 square foot space was designed for multimedia events, including live productions and performances, live global webcasts, press conferences, product launches, screenings, and so much more.

Human evolution, invention, medicine, technology and relationships would have stood still without disruptors posing that simple, powerful question ‘why?’.

There is no one more curious, no greater disruptor, than a teen on a mission. They prod, poke and dissect their worlds around them until they are confronted with answers - or mysteries - that capture their imaginations. Nothing else will do.

It could be said that Generation Y is more like Generation ‘whY?’ as they turn over established regimes, age-old thinking, and timeless truths, through social media, the power of crowds and an unswerving belief that they have the right to know ‘why?’

Meet the trail-blazers leading a global ‘whY’ revolution and be prepared to have your perceptions turned upside down.

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## CONFERENCE GUIDE

### 1. LEND US YOUR BRAIN

You are about to be hit by a blizzard of incoming ideas. Your mind will be zapped, pinged, prodded, and teased. But to benefit from TED's brand of brain therapy, you need to shut down the competition. Forget about work and school for a few hours. Forget about your email. Silence your phone. Experience what is happening on stage, on screen and around you.

### 2. SEE EVERY TALK

The best moments seem to happen when you least expect them. TEDxTeen is not about what you already know. It is about how what you know connects to everything else. So be a part of it all. Bump into things you may not know. If you pick only the talks you think you will like, you've missed the experience.

### 3. TALK TO THE SPEAKERS

The conference time is limited, so we don't have time for long speaker introductions. We have included each speaker's bio in this program, relevant links to their work and additional information so you can take it all in after the conference. Attendees at TEDxTeen have the advantage – you can strike up a live conversation with them during the breaks. And we encourage you to do so! As you listen to their talks, write down questions, comments and ideas you want to talk about or ask them.

### 4. BREAKS ARE IMPORTANT

Your TEDxTeen experience is not limited to the auditorium. The TED brand is about "Ideas Worth Spreading." To get the most out of the conference, soak up the information during the talks and then use the breaks to discuss the information with fellow attendees, and let the conversation continue to push you to explore the ideas. Engage in our TEDxTeen Village and be sure to thank our partners for making TEDxTeen possible! Eat your food fast, use the bathroom quickly and keep your brain stimulated between sessions.

### 5. THE CONVERSATION CONTINUES

TEDxTeen is a one day conference. But today is not a finale – it is the beginning. The talks you saw today will live online following the conference at TEDxTeen.com and we encourage you to blog them, tweet them, share them, chat them and push them out around the globe. TEDxTeen is not just a conference, it is a community. Being here today you have first hand access and knowledge to amazing information and stories coming in from around the globe about teens who are doing extraordinary things, who have extraordinary ideas, who need your help to keep their conversations alive and who look to you for your ideas and contributions. Join in the community, contribute to the conversation and come together to tell the story of TEDxTeen to the world.

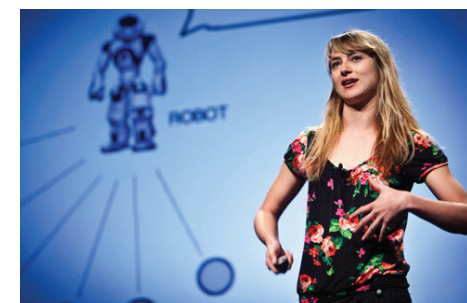
### 6. TEDxTEEN TECH PROTOCOL

The Scholastic Auditorium is WiFi enabled, and you will receive the network password at the conference. You are welcome to use your laptop during breaks in the open areas and we encourage you to tweet and share the information from the conference. However, we ask that attendees refrain from laptop use during the sessions. You need to focus, and keyboards are distracting. If you want to use your laptop during sessions please take a seat in the simulcast areas. Use this program to write notes. Turn your cell phones, BlackBerries and iPhones to silent. Do not check them during sessions. If you must do so, please wait until the breaks. Video is prohibited during the sessions though feel free to record conversations during the breaks. Photography is permitted during the sessions and breaks, but please no flash photography, and keep the clicking noises during sessions to a minimum. Following the conference we hope you will share your photos with our online community.

### 7. RESTROOMS

There are restrooms located in the lobby outside the auditorium as well as on the 2nd floor, outside the Resource Center.

Top to Bottom:  
Scenes from previous  
TEDx events; TEDxWaterloo,  
TEDxEdmonton and TEDxAtlanta



# TEDxTeen Village

Things to do during the breaks!

## SKY LOBBY

*Located at the top of the escalator*

### **Abercrombie & Fitch®**

A&F breakout sessions challenge teens to learn how to be more open, collaborative and valuing of diverse perspectives by understanding dimensions that are important to others. Participants will experience how collaborative and connected we really are to one another, by seeing the world through the A&F Inclusion Wheel, and realizing that we have more things in common than we imagined.

### **Hobsons**

Hobsons helps educators, administrators, students and families maximize success through every stage of the learning lifecycle. Come and play a college search game with us! Download CollegeConfidential's mobile app, search for your favorite school and pin it on our map for a chance to win some cool prizes!

### **TEDxTeen**

TEDxTeen is about sharing ideas - focusing the conversation on teens and their power to change the world. Now you can physically take TEDxTeen home with you and help fund next year's TEDxTeen conference! In the spirit of the "D" in TED for "design," we have created "The Audacity of whY" t-shirts and jump drives available to you today only. Stroll over to the TEDxTeen table and check out the swag!

### **THINK Global School**

Have you ever wanted to meet a student from a different country? Today is your chance to meet not one, but nine kids just like you from all around the world. THINK Global School challenges you to find our students today and have a first hand experience with a true world traveler. Once you've had the opportunity to talk to one of our students, come on over to our display and check out where our traveling high school will be studying next!

### **We-Care.com**

Visit the We-Care.com area and talk to their amazing people about the way they're revolutionizing the connection between nonprofits and the people like you who support them. You can even sign up with We-Care, choose a cause to support (We Are Family Foundation would be a great choice!), and maybe even make a purchase from your favorite online retailer!

### **Whole Foods Market®**

Stop by the Whole Foods Market® interactive photo booth to learn more about our commitment to local farmers and entrepreneurs and strike a pose with your friends. Enjoy a complimentary photo to save as a personalized souvenir!

## BLOGGERS ALLEY

*Located off of the Sky Lobby behind the escalator*

### **Simulcast Area**

Blog and tweet from your computer here! This is also where food will be served during the breaks.

### **This is Teen Breakfast**

Location: Bloggers Alley  
9:30am–10:45am: This is Teen welcomes you to Scholastic with a special author breakfast! Meet Andrew Jenks, Eliot Schrefer, Alaya Dawn Johnson, and Elizabeth Eulberg and get your free books signed—and enjoy breakfast treats courtesy of This is Teen.

## AUDITORIUM LOBBY

*Located outside the auditorium*

### **Happiness Factory**

Happiness starts with you! Come take your photo against our wall of happiness and spread happiness by sharing your smile with friends. Based on "The Book of Happiness: Africa", by Joseph Peter. It's a Happiness Factory!

### **Simulcast Area**

### **Live Stream**

Live stream of speaker interviews with Andrew Jenks

# Schedule Of Events

## Session 1

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**9:30am** (Lobby)  
**TEDxTeen guests arrive**

**9:30am — 11:00am**  
(Sky Lobby, Bloggers Alley, Auditorium Lobby)

**The Conversation begins**  
Meet, talk, think, share, eat, explore and prepare!

*This is Teen* author book signing and breakfast (Bloggers Alley)

**10:40am — 11:00am** (TEDxTeen.com)  
Online audience arrivals with host Andrew Jenks

**11:00am — 12:30pm**  
(Auditorium and TEDxTeen.com)

**Chris Anderson:**  
What Is TED/TEDx?

**Chelsea Clinton**  
In the Arena

**Caine Monroy**  
Outside the Box

**Joseph Peter**  
Give Happiness

**Kuha'o Case**  
Seeing No Limits

**Kelvin Doe**  
Persistent Experimentation

**Tania Luna**  
Taken by Surprise

**12:30pm — 1:30pm**  
(Sky Lobby, Bloggers Alley, Auditorium Lobby)

**BREAK:** Meet, talk, think, share, eat, explore and engage

Exclusive speaker and partner interviews hosted by Andrew Jenks on TEDxTeen.com

The conversation continues online at [TEDxTeen.com](http://TEDxTeen.com), [@tedxteen](https://twitter.com/tedxteen), [Facebook.com/tedxteen](https://www.facebook.com/tedxteen), [#TEDxTeen](https://www.instagram.com/tedxteen)

## Session 2

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**1:30pm — 2:45pm**  
(Auditorium and TEDxTeen.com)

**Kuha'o Case**  
Performs an audience selected medley

**Maria Toorpakai Wazir**  
Squashing Extremism

**Ndaba Mandela**  
Why Africa Rising

**A message from Kid President**

**Tallia Storm**  
Discovering the Storm

**2:45pm — 3:45pm**  
(Sky Lobby, Bloggers Alley, Auditorium Lobby)

**BREAK:** Meet, talk, think, share, eat, explore and engage

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## Session 3

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**3:45pm — 5:00pm**  
(Auditorium and TEDxTeen.com)

**Tallia Storm**  
Performance

**Kristopher Bronner**  
How to Change the World

**Amaryllis Fox**  
Following Instinct

**Sophie Umazi**  
Picture this Peace

**Dylan Vecchione**  
Passionate QUESTIONing

In closing with  
**Chelsea Clinton**

**5:00pm — 5:45pm**  
(Sky Lobby, Bloggers Alley, Auditorium Lobby)

**Before You Depart:** Meet, talk, think, share, explore and engage

Exclusive speaker and partner interviews hosted by Andrew Jenks on TEDxTeen.com





## Chelsea Clinton Host

Chelsea Clinton was born in Little Rock, Arkansas in 1980, and has lived in Washington, Palo Alto, Oxford, New York and London. She holds a B.A. from Stanford, a MPhil from Oxford and a MPH from Columbia's Mailman School of Public Health.

Chelsea is a special correspondent for NBC News and is currently pursuing a doctorate at Oxford. Chelsea also works at New York University, the Clinton Foundation and with the Clinton Global Initiative. She previously worked at McKinsey & Company and Avenue Capital.

Chelsea serves on the boards of the Clinton Foundation, the Clinton Global Initiative, the Clinton Health Access Initiative, the School of American Ballet, Common Sense Media and the Weill Cornell Medical College.

She and her husband, Marc, live in New York City.

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## Andrew Jenks Online Host

Andrew Jenks is an award-winning filmmaker, star of MTV's critically-acclaimed series *World of Jenks*, and a lead correspondent for MTV's 2012 Election campaign, "*Power of 12.*" Jenks began his filmmaking career at the age of 19 when he moved into an assisted-living facility in order to capture the true essence of this often overlooked community in HBO's, *Room 335*. Three years later at age 21, Jenks further pushed the boundaries of his work as he spent seven months in Japan filming the ESPN documentary, *The Zen of Bobby V*, which profiled American baseball manager Bobby Valentine as he managed the Chiba Lotte Marines. For his captivating portrayals of reality, *The New York Times* has said "Jenks takes his camera into a world that is usually invisible and shines a light on a population that many of us would just as soon forget." Currently, Jenks is set to release a collection of stories by Scholastic Books about his filmmaking experience, and his MTV docu-series *World of Jenks*, which showcases the lives of inspirational young people who face difficult odds, is about to go into its second season.



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“Stay hungry,  
stay foolish”.

- Steve Jobs

# Session 1

ChelseaClinton

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CaineMonroy

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JosephPeter

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Kuha'oCase

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KelvinDoe

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TaniaLuna





## CaineMonroy

A used auto parts store in Los Angeles doesn't seem to be a likely place for a boy on summer vacation. It also doesn't seem like the ideal place to build a cardboard arcade, but one boy did. Caine Monroy was 9 years old when he created "Caine's Arcade." With a good amount of cardboard and a soaring imagination, Caine changed the way we look at creativity. Despite the location, Caine formed his arcade by designing games, creating customer passes and even prizes. At first, traffic was slow. But then, filmmaker Nirvan Mullick came to his father's used auto parts store. Mullick saw something special in Caine's Arcade and wanted to tell his story. And the rest, as they say, is history.

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Mullick's film has received over 7 million views, along with 120,000 Facebook fans. Caine has inspired more than 100 schools in 9 different countries to create their own cardboard arcades. Caine's Arcade has been seen on various websites and television programs, from *Forbes* and *Wired* to *Good Morning America* and NPR. Caine's adventure took him to France as the youngest speaker ever to address the Cannes Lion Conference and to the USC Marshall School of Business.

Caine's story proves that a child's imagination is limitless and cannot be bound. With persistence and creativity, Caine managed to change not only his local community but communities around the globe.

## JosephPeter

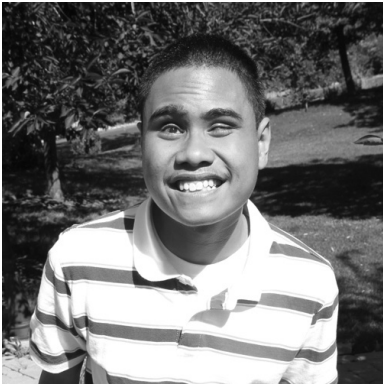
Joseph is one of the most traveled young artists in the world. In 2009, Joseph created a photographic study of happiness during the FIFA World Cup™ Trophy Tour by Coca-Cola which covered 50 African nations over 75 days. He captured a selection of some of the most uplifting and inspiring imagery of the African people. The iconic portraits depict African people of all ages, races, religions and nationalities, uniting them through the medium of happiness. "The Book of Happiness: Africa" was given to 2500 global leaders, dignitaries and stakeholders at the 2010 World Cup Final in South Africa by Coca-Cola. A special handmade edition was also presented to Nelson Mandela (The Official Book #1) and his grandsons, Ndaba and Kweku Mandela.

In 2011, the book inspired a campaign led by Dr. Hamid Al-Bayati, Ambassador of Iraq to the United Nations; Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon, the 66th President of the General Assembly; H.E. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, and Prime Minister Jigme Thinley of Bhutan, to create an International Day of Happiness. It was adopted on June 28th, 2012 by consensus of all 193 member nations, declaring March 20th of every year the official global day to celebrate and recognize Happiness as a universal goal.



**Find more about me here:**

[josephpeter.com](http://josephpeter.com)



## Kuha'oCase

Born and raised on the big island of Hawaii, Kuha'o Case is the oldest of three children. His constant smile and enthusiasm for life, together with his remarkable musical abilities and passion, create something inspirational that is positively influencing people all over the world.

Incredibly, this 16 year-old prodigy started teaching himself how to play the piano and the organ four short years ago. With limited access to a piano, he was only able to practice a few hours each week. But thanks to supportive fans, not only was he able to acquire his own piano this past year, but he also realized his dream of releasing his first album, *Dare to Dream*. As if all of this is not remarkable enough, Kuha'o Case is blind.

Born two months premature, Kuha'o underwent a necessary operation in order to save his life. Unfortunately, complications from the operation left him blind. Doctors didn't expect him to live, but he beat the odds.

While it would be so easy for someone in his situation to wallow in self-pity, Kuha'o never succumbs to pessimism. Rather, his positive attitude is constant. He knows that being blind will never keep him from realizing his dreams. Like his music, being blind is a necessary part of him. His message is that no matter how difficult our circumstances, and no matter how hard things might be, we are all capable of greatness. As he has demonstrated in his own life, if we believe in ourselves, anything is possible.

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## KelvinDoe

Kelvin was born in Freetown, Sierra Leone in 1996 as the youngest of five children. His creative instincts have been with him as a child and he would often dream of solutions to problems in his community. At the age of 10, he started scavenging for scrap electronics parts from dump sites after school for his inventions.

Kelvin, together with his team, was a winner of Global Minimum's Innovate Salone 2012 – the inaugural high school innovation challenge in Sierra Leone. He built a radio station for his community out of recycled materials, in addition to homemade batteries and a generator. Kelvin was selected to travel to the U.S. in 2012, where he was invited to speak at the “Meet the Young Makers” panel at the World Maker Faire 2012 in New York.

Kelvin officially became the youngest ever “visiting practitioner” with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) International Development Initiative. At MIT, he presented his inventions to students in two D-Lab classes, engaged with community members at MIT, and participated in hands-on research at the MIT Media Lab. He has also lectured to undergraduate engineering students at Harvard College.

Kelvin's experience captured on a YouTube video has been viewed over 4 million times and continues to inspire other young people in his country and around the world. Kelvin is presently continuing his high school education at Prince of Wales secondary school in Sierra Leone.



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“There will be a few times in your life when all your instincts will tell you to do something, something that defies logic, upsets your plans, and may seem crazy to others. When that happens, you do it. Listen to your instincts and ignore everything else. Ignore logic, ignore the odds, ignore the complications, and just go for it.”

- Judith McNaught

# Session 2

**Kuha'oCase**

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**MariaToorpakai Wazir**

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**NdabaMandela**

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**TalliaStorm**



## MariaToorpakai Wazir

Born November 22, 1990 in South Waziristan, the tribal Pashtun region bordering Pakistan and Afghanistan, Maria Toorpakai Wazir's options as a young girl were severely limited and determined solely by the traditions of her culture. Waziristan's women are not entitled to the kind of education or freedoms enjoyed by North American girls. As with most girls of her region, Maria's destiny was to be sequestered at home and married off at a young age.

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With an eye to an alternative future for his daughter, Maria's father disguised her as a boy and encouraged her to take up competitive weight lifting at the age of 12. Following a win at a national boys competition, Maria discovered the sport of squash.

In order to enter into a squash tournament, Maria was compelled to produce her birth certificate and to openly compete as a girl. By the time Maria was 16 years of age, she was Pakistan's number one player and the world's number three junior.

The attention, which grew from Maria's success evoked death threats from the Taliban and forced Maria into hiding and withdrawing from openly playing squash. Dissatisfied with the increasingly difficult situation, Maria sent out hundreds of emails around the world with pleas for help. Only one person responded: Jonathon Power.

Maria currently trains in Canada at Jonathon's squash centre, The National Squash Academy and continues to compete. Her current world ranking is 49.

## NdabaMandela

Ndaba is passionate about Africa, its people and its future. He is the co-founder and co-chairman of the Africa Rising Foundation, an organization dedicated to promoting a positive image of Africa around the world. Ndaba received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Pretoria in 2008, majoring in political science and international relations. He previously served as a senior political consultant to the Embassy of Japan in Pretoria, and was a part of the team that was instrumental in creating the International Day of Happiness at the United Nations. Currently, together with his cousin, Kweku Mandela, he is organizing the 95th celebration of Nelson Mandela day.



### Find more about me here:

[arfoundation.co](http://arfoundation.co)



“Once we accept  
our limits, we go  
beyond them.”

- Albert Einstein

# Session 3

TalliaStorm

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KristopherBronner

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AmaryllisFox

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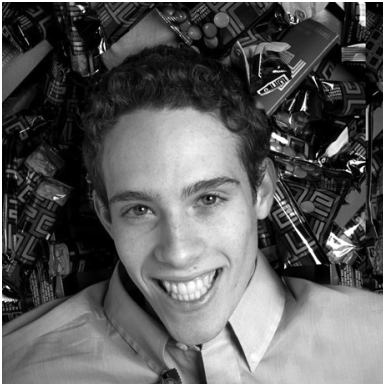
SophieUmazi

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## KristopherBronner

Kris is a co-founder of UNREAL™ Brands, a mission-based company dedicated to proving that junk food, a leading contributor to the diabetes and obesity epidemic, can be “unjunked.” This past summer, UNREAL™ launched five reinvented versions of America’s favorite candies in 25,000 stores nationwide. These candies are sold side by side with the originals, cost the same, and taste just as good. They also have zero junk and forty percent less sugar. Bill Gates, Matt Damon, Gisele Bündchen, Tom Brady and Jack Dorsey are among the many who have shared their excitement for the change UNREAL™ will create in the world. A recent WSJ article compared UNREAL™’s innovations to Apple’s and Ford’s, and Fast Company named UNREAL™ one of its top food stories of the year. According to Kris, UNREAL™ will fulfill its mission when other companies are inspired to “unjunk the world.”

Kris is currently 18 years old and also the creator of the world’s first levitating food. He loves science, technology and food, and passionately believes that entrepreneurship is the medium through which change is most influentially applied. Kris is up for adventures of all kinds, having already climbed Kilimanjaro, played tennis in Antarctica and skydived in New Zealand.

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## AmaryllisFox

Amaryllis is the founder and CEO of mulu, an online tool-making global publishers’ content shoppable for charity. Amaryllis has spent a great deal of time in the nonprofit world, deferring school to work in health clinics on the Thai-Burmese border, and freelanced for the BBC and local wire services in Thailand, Indonesia and East Timor.

Amaryllis later returned to Oxford University, earning her undergraduate degree in 2002. She then attended graduate school at Georgetown’s School of Foreign Service, focusing on international security and writing an algorithm adopted by the U.S. government for predicting instability in failed states. After graduating in 2003, she spent six years working in government service, both in the U.S. and overseas. Along the way, Amaryllis managed several investment funds, concentrating on alternative energies and electric vehicles. In 2009, she left government service to focus on combining profit and purpose to build socially sustainable businesses.

Amaryllis lives in Los Angeles, CA, with her family and their makerbot.



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## SophieUmazi

During the 2007 post-election violence in Kenya, Sophie was almost killed by three men who mistakenly thought that she was from an “enemy tribe” due to her light skin. So frightened and disgusted by the blind hatred exhibited by these men, Sophie knew she had to open the lines of communication across cultural boundaries and promote understanding.

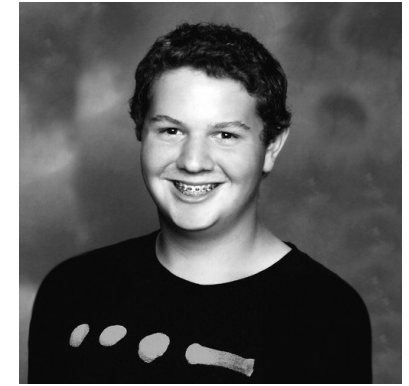
After being inspired by JR Martins Inside Out Campaign, Sophie launched the I AM KENYAN project. The I AM KENYAN project is a globally backed, Kenyan driven, awareness campaign that uses photography as a platform to promote peace during the upcoming Kenyan elections in 2013. The idea is simple: different people are encouraged to take a photograph of themselves with the tag I AM KENYAN. Photography is a powerful storyteller and when Kenyans, both locally and in the Diaspora, come together to tell of and confirm their identity through this powerful platform, a strong message is sent to the public. It encourages them to see themselves as Kenyans before identifying themselves ethnically. Six months since she launched her campaign, Sophie’s organization has had a global outreach of over 4 million, collected over 10,000 pictures globally and conducted 15 local peace marches. With such an overwhelming response to the campaign, it is evident that the world -- especially the Kenyan youth -- is ready to stand up for peace.

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## DylanVecchione

Dylan is the founder of ReefQuest, the global organization that fosters marine stewardship in kids through citizen science. Despite his young age of 14, Dylan leads the development of the ReefQuest website and is the creator of its centerpiece, the “Virtual Reef,” the leading digital underwater panoramic photographic record of global coral reefs. Dylan has engineered and built specialized 3D underwater camera systems and Remote Operated Vehicles to capture the Virtual Reef images. He has traveled around the world to image underwater coral reefs for scientific monitoring. The Virtual Reef is being used as a platform for citizen science environmental programs in 48 countries, and over 60,000 students have participated in ReefQuest sponsored research. Dylan is currently authoring a text book for middle and high school environmental science programs. In both 2011 and 2012, Dylan received commendations for his work on ReefQuest from President Barack Obama. Dylan was selected as a 2012 Three Dot Dash Global Teen Leader—the prestigious mentoring program of the We Are Family Foundation. As a result, Dylan and ReefQuest are currently mentored by ocean conservation organization Oceana’s Senior Scientist, Margot Stiles. Dylan was also nominated a Junior Ocean Hero finalist by Oceana in 2011, and the youth organization Kid’s Heroes recognized him as one of its Heroes that same year. Dylan is a certified advanced scuba diver and an avid sailor. He attends the 8th grade at Wildwood School in Los Angeles, CA.



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# Ways to take TEDxTeen & TED home with you.

## TEDxTeen

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### 2. SOCIAL NETWORKS

Join in and continue the conversations from today's conference on our Facebook and Twitter pages. And share the talks and content amongst your social networks and invite them to join our TEDxTeen community. [facebook.com/TEDxTeen](https://facebook.com/TEDxTeen); @TEDxTeen; #TEDxTeen

### 3. IDEAS WORTH SPREADING

Tell your friends, family, peers and colleagues about your experience at TEDxTeen and share the information. Hold your own mini TED salon at home and discuss the talks with your friends.

## TED

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### 1. DIVE INTO TED TALKS

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Join like-minded people around the globe in setting up your TED.com profile – then use your profile to save your favorite talks and share knowledge within the community.

### 3. JOIN THE CONVERSATION

TEDTalks are enhanced by the ideas and conversations that they spark. Add your own comments to the discussion pages, under a specific TEDTalk, in one of the lively themes or on the TED blog. You'll be interacting with an intelligent, curious group of people worldwide.

## About TED

TED is a nonprofit organization devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading. Started as a four-day conference in California 26 years ago, TED has grown to support those world-changing ideas with multiple initiatives. At TED, the world's leading thinkers and doers are asked to give the talk of their lives in 18 minutes. Talks are then made available, free, at TED.com. TED speakers have included Bill Gates, Jane Goodall, Elizabeth Gilbert, Sir Richard Branson, Benoit Mandelbrot, Philippe Starck, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Isabel Allende and former UK Prime Minister Gordon Brown. Two major TED events are held each year: The TED Conference takes place every spring in Long Beach, California (along with a parallel conference, TEDActive, in Palm Springs), and TEDGlobal is held each summer in Edinburgh, Scotland. TED's media initiatives include TED.com,

where new TEDTalks are posted daily; the new TED Conversations, enabling broad conversations among TED fans; and the Open Translation Project, which provides subtitles and interactive transcripts as well as the ability for any TEDTalk to be translated by volunteers worldwide. TED has established the annual TED Prize, where exceptional individuals with a wish to change the world are given the opportunity to put their wishes into action; TEDx, which offers individuals or groups a way to host local, self-organized events around the world; and the TED Fellows program, helping world-changing innovators from around the globe to become part of the TED community and, with its help, amplify the impact of their remarkable projects and activities.

## About TEDx

In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience. At a TEDx event, TEDTalks video and live speakers combine to spark deep discussion and connection in a small group. These local,

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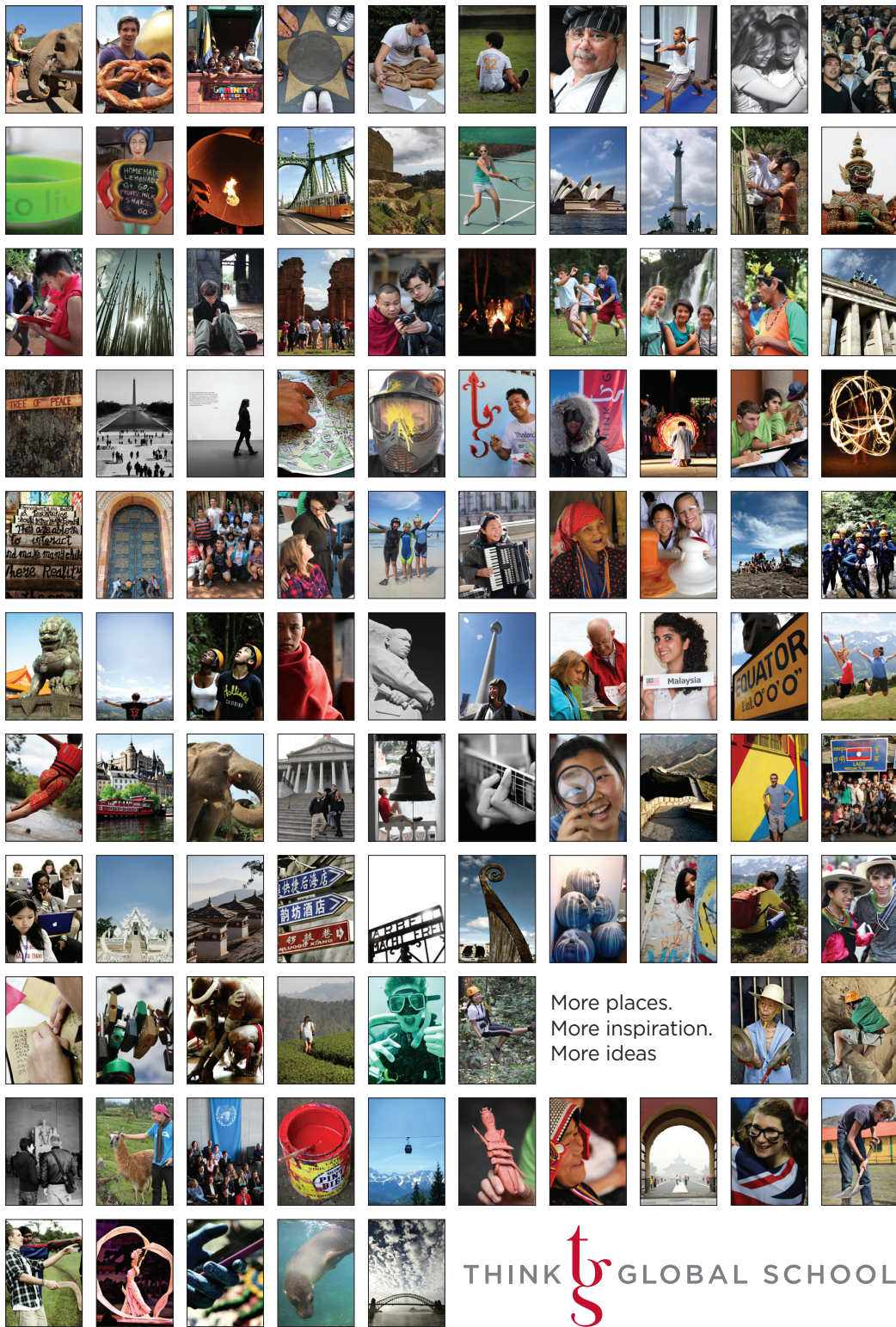
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