

CAROLYN BESS

Outdoor Explorations

1994 Global Fellow



BIG BOLD IDEA

Bring together people with and without disabilities through outdoor adventure and environmental service programs.

PERSONAL BIO

Carolyn founded and directed Boston-based Outdoor Explorations, a nonprofit organization that brings together people with and without disabilities through outdoor adventure and environmental service programs. By 2010, the organization has served over 13,000 people in New England. Carolyn is Principal at Carolyn Bess Consulting, and has consulted to nonprofit and governmental agencies focused on fundraising and strategy, including Pathfinders International, the National Park Service, Urban Ecology Institute, and Boston University.

Carolyn has a Bachelor of Arts in biology and psychology from Wesleyan University, a Masters in education with a specialization in therapeutic recreation from Boston University, and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. In 2000, she was awarded Boston's Magic 106.7 "Exceptional Women's Award" in Business. She was featured in Self magazine's "How to Change the World Before You Are 40."

Organization/Fellow Location

Roslindale, United States

Impact Location

North America

United States

Organization Structure

Nonprofit

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