



## **Our Forests: Vital and Vulnerable** **Resources and Volunteer Recommendations from Panelists**

### **Panelist Affiliations**

Charles Canham: The Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies ([www.caryinstitute.org](http://www.caryinstitute.org))

Kim Elliman: Open Space Institute ([www.openspaceinstitute.org](http://www.openspaceinstitute.org))

Liam Kavanagh: New York City Department of Parks and Recreation ([www.nycgovparks.org](http://www.nycgovparks.org))

William Logan: Urban Arborists Inc. ([www.urbanarb.com](http://www.urbanarb.com))

Meg Lowman: Tree Foundation ([www.treefoundation.org](http://www.treefoundation.org))

(Meg Lowman also has a website ([www.canopymeg.com](http://www.canopymeg.com)) and a YouTube Channel)

William Sunderlin: Center for International Forestry Research ([www.cifor.org](http://www.cifor.org))

### **Books by Panelists**

**Canham, Charles D.** *Forests Adrift. Currents Shaping the Future of Northeastern Forests*, Yale University Press, 2020. “A captivating analysis of the past, present, and future of northeastern forests and the forces that have shaped them.” -- Google Books

**Logan, William Bryant.** *Sprout Lands: Tending the Endless Gift of Trees*. W.W. Norton & Company, 2019. “Arborist William Bryant Logan recovers the lost tradition that sustained human life and culture for ten millennia.” -- Google Books

**Logan, William Bryant.** *Oak: The Frame of Civilization*. W.W. Norton & Company, 2005. “One of the year’s most dazzling and thoughtful books in any category. Logan demonstrates persuasively how oaks have shaped who we are and how we got that way.” -- Patricia Jonas, *Plants & Garden News*

**Lowman, Meg.** *Life in The Treetops: Adventures of a Woman in Field Biology*. Yale University Press, 1999. A New York Times Review Notable Book of the Year. “Young women interested in careers in science will especially benefit from Lowman’s encouragement...” - Kirkus Reviews.

**Lowman, Meg with Earle, Sylvia A.** *The Arbonaut: A Life Discovering the Eighth Continent in the Trees Above Us*. Preorder in advance of Publication from Amazon.com. Publication Date: August 10, 2021.

### **Organizations to Learn From and Support (Suggested by William Sunderlin)**

Center for International Forestry Research (research/monitoring)

Climate and Land Use Alliance (climate and forests)

Earth Innovation Institute (climate and forests)

Forest Ecosystem Rescue Network – FERN (advocacy for the rights of forest dwellers)

Forest Trends (financial incentives for forest protection)

Forest People’s Programme (advocacy for rights of forest dwellers)

Global Forest Watch (research/monitoring)

Rainforest Alliance (advocacy for forest protection)

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**Also recommended by William Sunderlin:**

Seymour, Frances and Busch, Jonah. *Why Forests? Why Now?: The Science, Economics, and Politics of Tropical Forests and Climate Change*. Center for Global Development, 2016. “Should be mandatory reading for people who already care deeply about tropical forests, as well as for those who remain not yet convinced.” - Alec Baldwin, Actor and International advocate for forests and indigenous peoples.

**NYC Volunteer Opportunities (Suggested by Liam Kavanagh)**

**NYC Street Tree Map**

Explore and learn about every street tree in New York City, and record and share all your stewardship activities.  
<https://tree-map.nycgovparks.org/>

Trees New York (<https://treesny.org>). For over 40 years Trees New York has organized community plantings, stewardship and education programs benefiting New York City’s street trees.

The Natural Areas Conservancy (<https://naturalareasnyc.org>) supports the long-term health of New York City’s forests through planning, restoration projects, volunteer engagement, and boots-on-the-ground management.

**For Sheer Enjoyment (Suggested by Forum Committee)**

**Ingolia, Gina.** *The TREE BOOK for Kids and Their Grown-Ups* (illustrated). Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2013. The acclaimed Brooklyn Botanic Garden’s guide answers all kids’ (and their parents’) tree-related questions in an easy-to-understand way.

