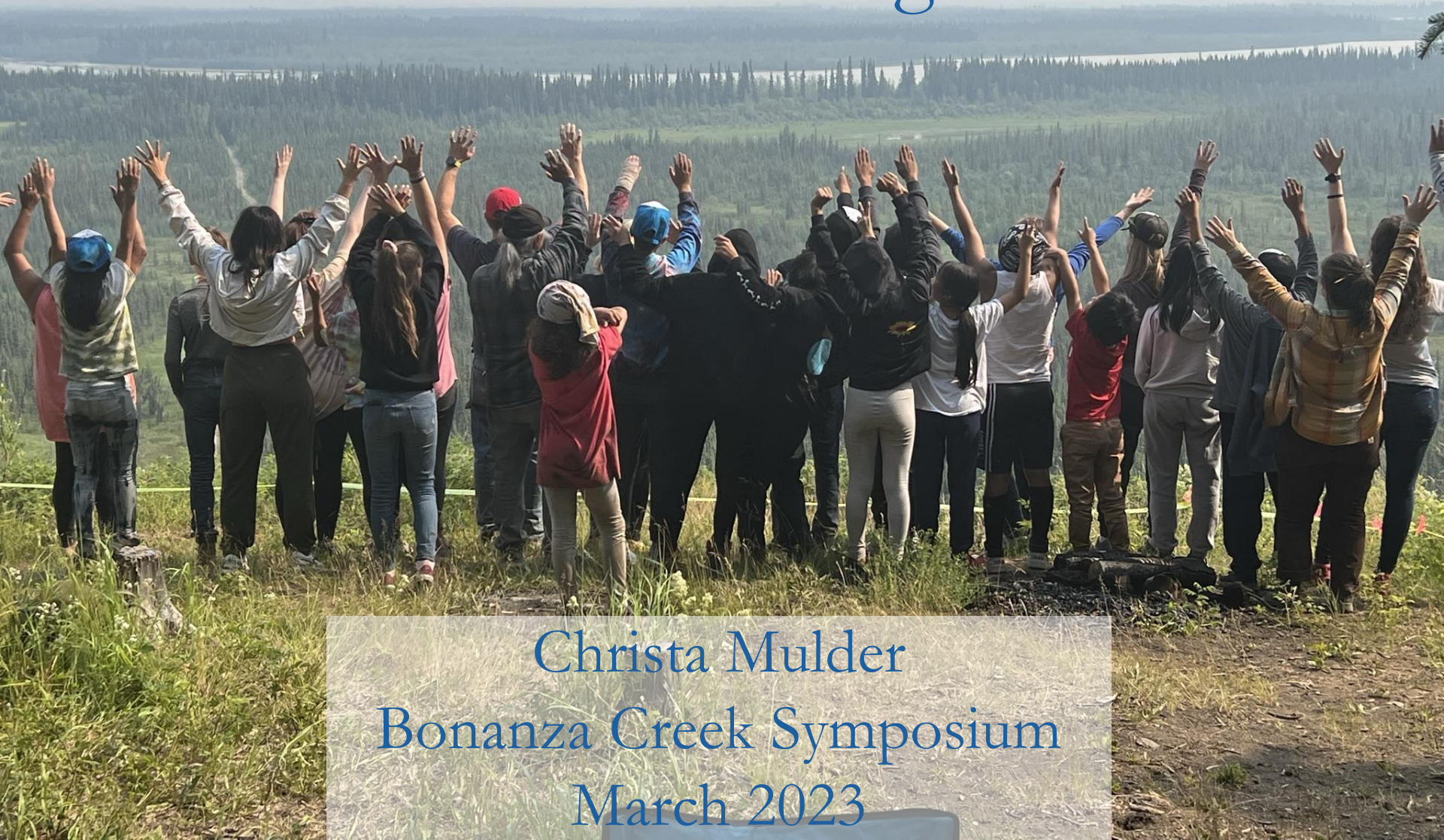
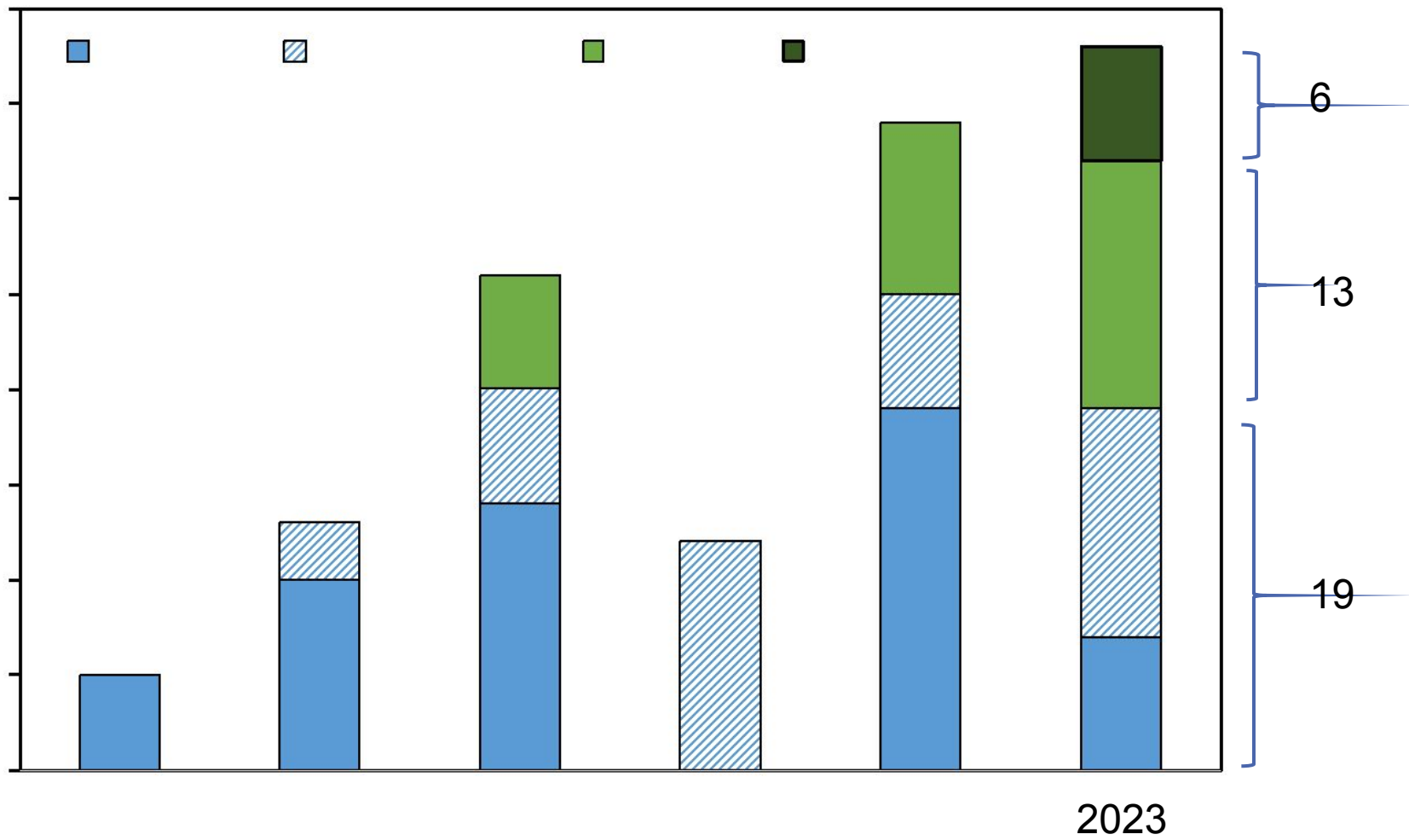


Fostering Science Update & Potential for Integration



Christa Mulder
Bonanza Creek Symposium
March 2023



Bonanza Creek 2023: Challenges

- Smoke!!
- Illness



Bonanza Creek 2023: Highlights

- High return rate of previous campers (11 out of 19)



Bonanza Creek 2023: Highlights

- High % Alaska Native (14/19)
- Involvement of the Association of Interior Alaska Educators



Maxine tells the traditional Koyukon story “Crying by the River”



Nicole highlight Koyukon and Gwich'in words associated with birch

Bonanza Creek 2023: Highlights



Elder Kenneth shares his stories



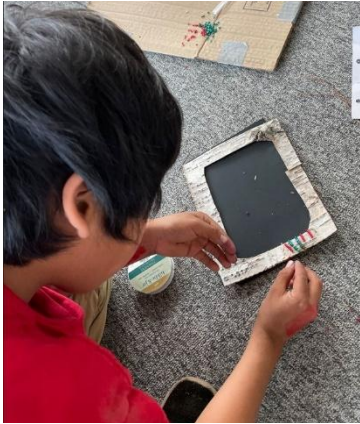
One of the youth shares their own traditional story



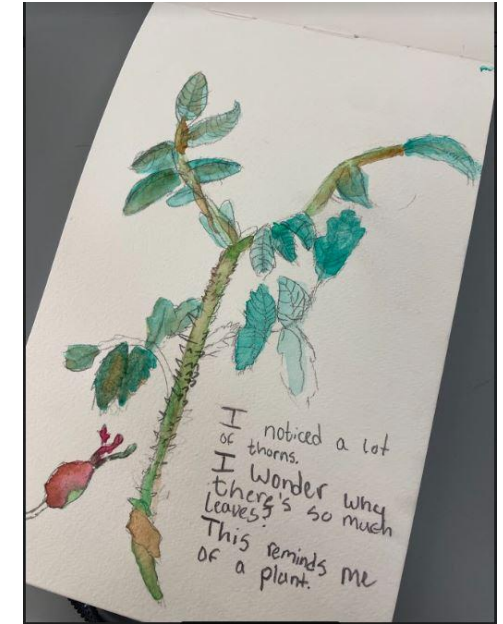
Elder Kenneth shares traditional knowledge of the land

Bonanza Creek 2023: Highlights

- Expansion of the arts component



Art
with
birch
bark



Drawing /
nature
journaling with
Natalie



Music educator Chloé (and
hydrologist Joel)

Bonanza Creek 2023: Highlights

- New Activities



Traditional games



Rapelling



River hydrology

Denali 1 2023: Front country camp

- Steve, Elena N., Jamie and Christa, plus 13 youth
- 4 days, 3 nights



Denali 1 2023: Front country camp



Hare fecal pellet counting with Kaija



Denali 1: Front country camp



Water and mud.... What could be better?



Denali 2 2023: Backcountry camp

- Jamie, Christa, rangers Jan and Ale, plus 6 youth



Denali 2 2023: Backcountry camp



Denali 2 2023: Backcountry camp



Coming in Summer 2023: FosterNet pilot

- People involved: Katie S., Joel, Becca, Christa, Emily Sousa, Katie Ring
- General idea:
 - 3-4 older youth working with Climate Scholars (UAF undergraduates)
 - Major components:
 - Professional skills training
 - Participate in Climate Change in My Community program
 - Field work training
 - Act as Junior Counselors for the Bonanza Creek Camp

Integration opportunities

Bonanza Creek:

- Participate as a “guest scientist” (1/2 day)
 - Get kids involved in a place-based, hand-on activity concerning science (or something else) you love
 - Get “hot-seated”
- Offer a new component for a future camp

FosterNet:

- Offer a traineeship at your field site or lab

Want to learn more about how the Bonanza Creek Camp was developed?
Come to the **Life Sciences Seminar** on **April 7!**

And now for our camp song....

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dt0KeHQnDy4>



Here At Bonanza Creek (Bonanza Creek Theme Song)

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