



SPOTLIGHT:

The Community of WaYS

Wabanaki Youth in Science

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Which community are you from
and/or where have you worked?

I am from Alnube Menehan
(Indian Island) though I have
and continue to work with
all five Wabanaki
communities sharing our
collective interconnectivity.



Why is WaYS important to you?



WaYS is important to help our younger generations reacquire knowledge. That was once freely given by thousands of years of knowledge, acquisition, and practice. It has since been removed by the extractive practices of the culture around us. It allows us to bridge the traditional ecological knowledge with academia, allowing us to educate that science is a living, breathing entity. We have naturally learned from creation around us and are not constrained by the absolute paradigm known to exist within academia.