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Dear Nanyamka,

Congratulations! The Cornell Lab of Ornithology would like to invite you to attend our Careers and Conservation Workshop on October 24 and 25. We will provide a full scholarship for you to travel and attend the workshop.

The Cornell Lab of Ornithology is a world leader in the study, appreciation, and conservation of birds and the environment, promoting scientific excellence and technological innovation to advance the understanding of nature. The Cornell Lab engages people of all ages in learning about birds and protecting the planet.

If you and your parents/caregivers accept this invitation we will begin to make arrangements for travel and accommodations in Ithaca. We will need approval from your parents/caregivers. Mr. Willy Herrera has agreed to be your chaperone. If you and your parents/caregivers agree, he will accompany you to the workshop and supervise you at all times. You will be sharing a hotel room located near the Cornell Lab with other students selected for the program.

The workshop is an opportunity to learn about paths to high quality higher education, career opportunities in the sciences, and cutting-edge conservation science. Only twenty-five youth from the Northeast have been selected to receive scholarships. At the workshop you will:

- Explore career paths in science and conservation
- Explore the Cornell University campus and the Cornell Lab of Ornithology
- Learn how you can make a difference in your community by engaging in stewardship projects
- See and learn from original art by Louis Agassiz Fuertes, Charlie Harper, and many others and learn how the arts can play a role in conservation
- Meet top-notch scientists and people who have made a career out of their love for conservation
- Learn about opportunities to be an intern at the Cornell Lab from home

If you or your parents have any questions or concerns please call Karen Purcell at 607 254-2455. We look forward to hearing from you!



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