

EXHIBITION
PROPOSAL

SKY ISLANDS

AN ENDANGERED SOUTH INDIAN LANDSCAPE

BY IAN LOCKWOOD



TO MOUNT AN EXHIBITION OF PHOTOGRAPHS IN OCTOBER 2023 TO RAISE FUNDS FOR
THE KIS CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HUMANITY (CEH)
AT KODAIKANAL INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL (KIS)



THE EXHIBITION

The Exhibition brings to life the regions of Kodaikanal and Palani Hills (The Sky Islands), a region that is rich in biodiversity but suffering intense loss and change due to multiple human factors. These beautifully printed and framed fine art photographs are artworks that also provide an ecological and historical context that lays the groundwork for KIS's mission to protect the fragile Sky Islands of the Palani Hills and broader Western Ghats biodiversity hotspot.

THE PHOTOGRAPHER

The Photographer - Ian Lockwood is an educator, photographer and environmentalist with a passionate interest in the natural history, geography and cultures of South Asia. Ian is an alum of Kodaikanal International School and currently serves on its Board. He lives in Sri Lanka and teaches Environmental Science at the Overseas School of Colombo. His writing and photography has appeared in numerous publications and he has exhibited his photographs across India and neighboring countries.

THE PROPOSED EVENT

We are looking to launch the event on the **12th of October 2023 and have it on display for a week to 10 days** (up to October 23rd). In addition to the public launch, we will need to have a private event dedicated to KIS Parents and Alumni where Ian will be presenting an engaging talk on The Sky Islands. He would be happy to make this presentation again if the venue would like to plan a talk for their invitees.

SPACE REQUIREMENTS

We would need wall space to display **30 framed photos** (some are 30"x30" (square) and others are panoramic images which are roughly 15"x 50"). The event for KIS parents and alumni is expected to have 70 attendees. It would also be ideal to have a smaller separate (adjoining) space to put up some of his information displays on Sky Islands. Those panels are designed to raise awareness and provide information and context while the main display is an aesthetic experience.

PROCEEDS OF THE SALE

Proceeds of the sale would go towards funding The Center for Environment and Humanity (CEH) which is an initiative of Kodaikanal International School (KIS). KIS believes that it is imperative to train our younger generations to advocate for environmental conservation. Through education and awareness, we believe today's youth have the power and commitment to develop innovative technology and policy solutions for the world's most pressing environmental issues.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Information on KIS and CEH

<https://www.kis.in/breathe/statement-of-philosophy>

<https://www.kis.in/breathe/kis-center-for-environment-and-humanity>

Details of Ian's Most Recent Exhibition and Website

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