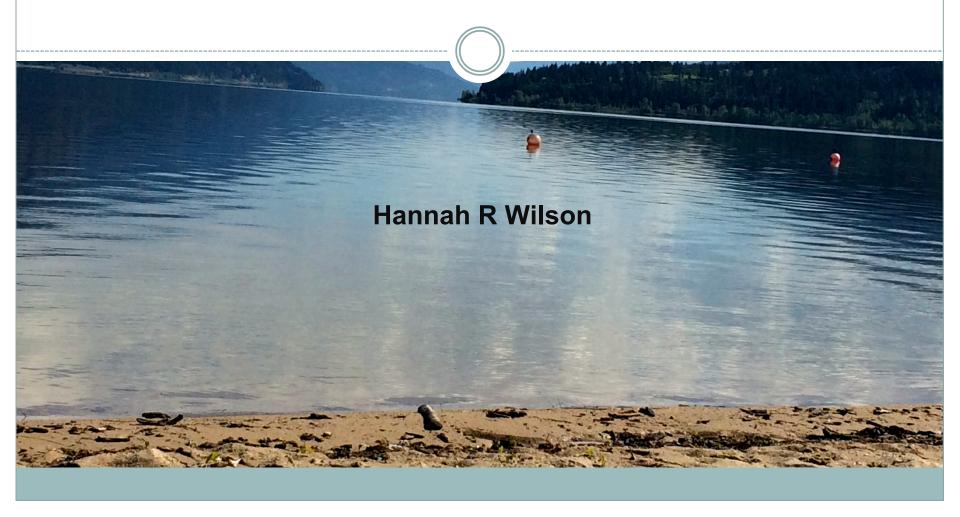
# A Guided-Imagery Nature Intervention



### **Nature and Anxiety**



# **Imagining Nature**

#### **Connectedness**

Feelings of awe

**Reduced depression** 



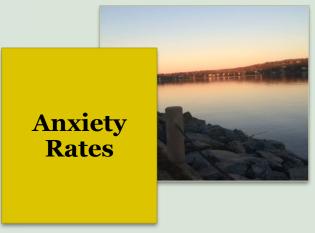
Reduced anxiety

**Increased vitality** 

**Reduced stress** 

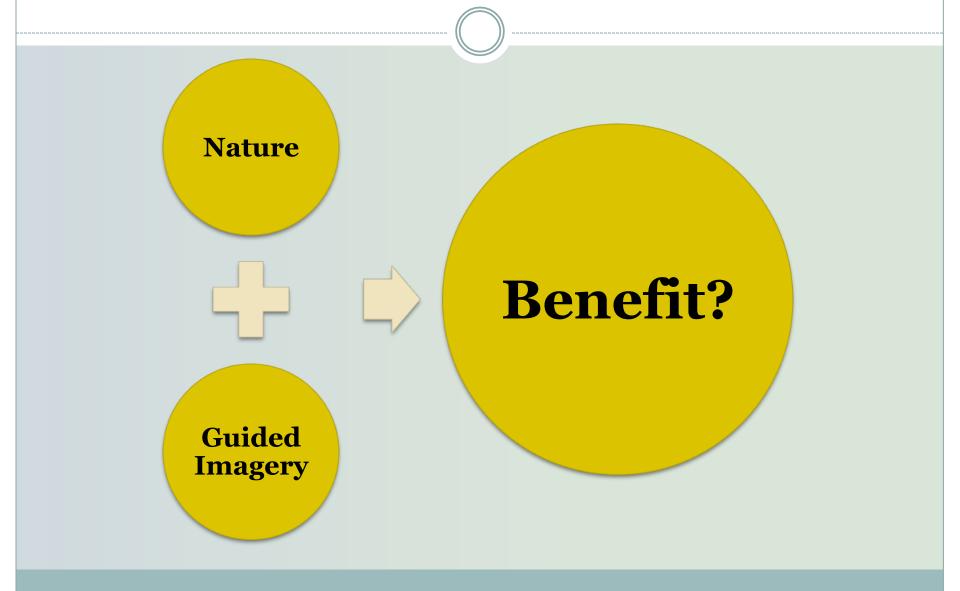
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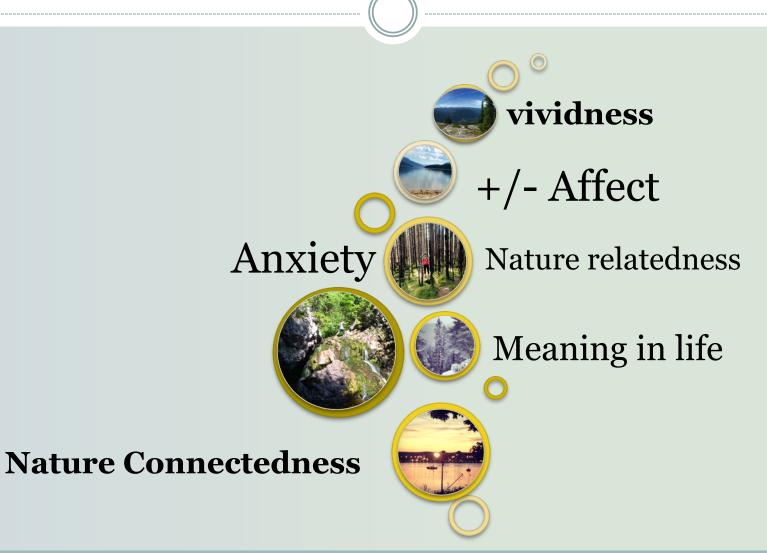




# What we investigated



### What was measured



### **Conditions**

#### **Nature Guided-Imagery Intervention**

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$$N = 123$$



#### **Urban Guided-Imagery Intervention**







### The Results – Nature Qualitative

"I saw the way the waves caught mud and dragged it out as they moved"

"the sky was a rich blue with scattered clouds"

"There were eagles and butterflies, and a deer came to sit next to me"

""Me having sex with girl."

"Surrounded by big delicious trees that had mostly orange and red leaves. I had purple shoes and I was very peaceful"

"I walked along the dirt path, jumping over puddles from rainwater that hadn't evaporated from days before"

### The Results - Urban Qualitative

"I pictured being in Vancouver, with many cars and traffic around me honking and sound of cars driving past. Tall skyscraper buildings with intense sleek and modern architecture" "Busy streets surrounded by tall business buildings. The movement of people bustling around me."

"I saw myself in a coffee shop, sitting and having a latte. There were many people walking past the shop and coming in to grab a coffee to go."

"I went to a supermarket with crowded people" "I was standing in the middle of the city center. There were rows of shops behind me. Cars were zooming by in front of me"

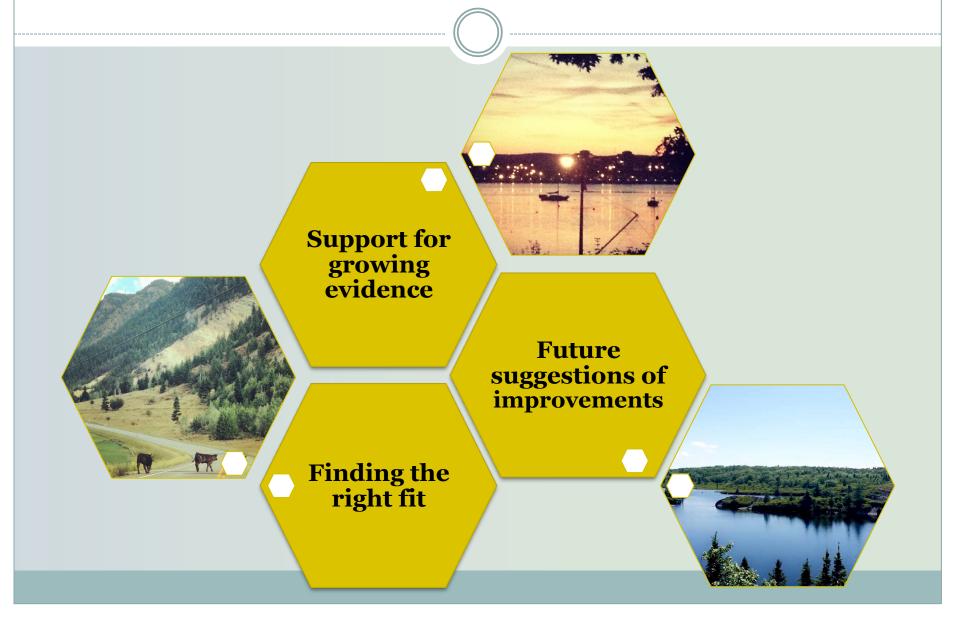
### **Nature Themes**



### **Urban Themes**



## **Further implications**



# **Questions?**

