NASHVILLE YOUTH CLIMATE SUMMIT

SPEAKER BIOS: SUSTAINABLE FASHION AND CLIMATE CHANGE PANEL

MATT STOCKAMP (HE/HIM) - NISOLO SHOES

Matt is the Sustainability Lead at Nisolo Shoes. As a college student in 2014, he had the opportunity to spend a summer in India visiting garment factories where he worked with brands and labor unions to improve their factories' working conditions. After hearing the stories of several young women and seeing firsthand how the fashion industry is holding them in poverty, he set out to work with changemakers to make living wages a reality for garment workers.

Matt started his career on the factory floor for Nisolo Shoes in Trujillo, Peru, measuring the company's social impact and designing a suite of livelihood trainings and benefits for their producers. Today, he's championing the Lowest Wage Challenge and leveraging the brand's influence to improve the way other brands pay their workers. What would the world look like if the tens of millions of people who make our clothes received a living wage? Matt plans to be a part of making it happen.

HALLIE SYNAN (SHE/HER) - PATAGONIA NASHVILLE

Hallie is the Floor Leader at Patagonia Nashville. After graduating from Washington & Jefferson College with a degree in International/Global studies, she switched from managing a swim club to retail. Working at Patagonia Nashville, she prides herself on using business to inspire and implement solutions to the environmental crisis.

ZAHRA BIABANI (SHE/HER) - SOULFUL SEEDS

Zahra is a Vanderbilt Junior studying Environmental Sociology and Earth and Environmental Science. She is the founder of Soulful Seeds, a platform meant to provide information and inspiration on a sustainable life and style that doesn't hurt the planet, its people, or your wallet. Outside of academia and business, Zahra loves thrifting, talking about intersectional activism, and exploring the city!