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Keynote Presenter Biography

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Marianne Hughes is the Executive Director of the Interaction Institute for Social Change where she combines her social policy expertise, organizing skills, devotion to social justice, and deep faith in the human capacity for goodness to furthering IISC's mission.



Marianne's professional commitment to social change began in 1966, during an early life-directing experience as one of the original VISTA Volunteers. She followed this with years of anti-war, disarmament, and low-income grassroots organizing. From these experiences, a spiritual and political direction emerged and her work has followed.

In 1993, Marianne was hired by Interaction Associates to launch the Interaction Institute for Social Change as a nonprofit partner organization to work in the social and public sectors as well as local communities. Since that time, she has taken IISC from its start-up phase and a staff of two to an organization with offices in Boston and Belfast and fifty staff and affiliates, serving hundreds of clients annually across the country and world.

In addition to network building, consulting, facilitating, and training, Marianne builds strategic alliances and fosters connections among social change agents and organizations, and leads the development of new products and initiatives as well as organizational thinking and learning about innovative ways to create high impact social change.

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