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12th Annual

**Wicked Problems Institute Virtual Event**

October 1, 2024, 11:00 am – 4:30 pm EDT

*Unlock the Power of Lived Experience   
through True Collaboration*

The Wicked Problems Institute offers a container by which a group of multisector, cross-system partners can develop practical steps and solutions   
that address complex social, systems, and family issues.

*Note: All participants are requested to refrain from scheduling   
competing engagements during the Wicked Institute.*

***Special Guests***

*(in order of appearance)*

Anthony Barrows

[*Project Evident*](https://projectevident.org/)

Anthony is a versatile professional with a background in behavioral design, child welfare, public policy, and fine arts. Drawing from his personal experiences in foster care, public housing, and juvenile justice, he brings lived expertise to his systems change work. He spent nearly 9 years at ideas42, leading the economic-justice portfolio, and over 10 years in child welfare. Currently, he is a Managing Partner at Project Evident, where he continues to drive social change. Anthony holds an MPA from Harvard Kennedy School, an MFA from the San Francisco Art Institute, and a BA from U Mass. Boston.

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Bryn Fortune

[*Nurture Connection*](https://nurtureconnection.org/)

Bryn Fortune is the Coordinator for the Nurture Connection Family Network Collaborative, focusing on empowering authentic parent voices and advancing early relational health. Fortune Consulting is a professional services firm that provides strategic consulting and advisory services to help organizations achieve their goals.

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Sixto Cancel

[*Think of Us*](https://www.thinkofus.org/)

[Think of Us](https://www.thinkofus.org/) is a national nonprofit driving child welfare reform through a tech-focused, data-driven approach. Led by people with lived experience, they partner with youth, families, and government leaders to center lived experience in decision-making, reduce unnecessary system entries, preserve families, and support youth transitioning out of care. Sixto Cancel, the Founder and CEO, is a nationally recognized leader in child welfare, leveraging technology, research, and policy to improve outcomes for youth and families.

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**Agenda**

10:45-11:00 Gather in the Zoom Room

11:00 Opening

11:05 Plenary - Lived Experts Set the Stage, Anthony Barrows, Project

Evident, moderator

11:20 Welcome and Wicked Problems Institute Overview

11:25 Plenary - Presentation of a Framework for Equity-Driven Collaboration, Bryn Fortune

11:40 Plenary - Integrating Lived Experience in Initiatives, Sixto Cancel

12:10 - 12:20 Break

12:20 Zoom Room Discovery Breakout: Part 1

1:00-1:45 Lunch Break (this is a program-free break)

1:45 Reconvene & Recap

2:05 Plenary and Live Q&A

Experts by Experience: Engaging the Dual Expertise of Intersectional Professionals - Anthony Barrows, Project Evident

2:45 Break

2:55 Zoom Room Discovery Breakout: Part 2

3:40 Break

3:50 Plenary - Reflections

Multi-Sector and Lived Expert Perspectives on Collaboration

4:20 Next Steps & Wrap Up

4:30 Adjourn & Evaluation