## **The Hybrid Mind** Richard Louv, bestselling author and recipient of the Audubon Medal



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The ultimate multitasking is to live simultaneously in both the digital and physical worlds, using computers to maximize our powers to process intellectual data, and natural environments to ignite our senses and accelerate our ability to learn and feel — combining the resurfaced "primitive" powers of our ancestors with the digital speed of our teenagers.

There's no denying the benefits of the Internet. But electronic immersion without a force to balance it creates a hole in the boat, draining our ability to pay attention, think clearly, be productive and creative. To combat these losses, our society seems to look everywhere but the natural domain for the building of better brains.

The more high-tech our lives become, the more nature we need.