

IDEC 2021 Report

In celebration of Summerhill School's centenary, the Summerhill Festival of Childhood and IDEC 2021 took place online between the 30th of September and the 5th of October 2021. More than 150 contributors presented, joined community discussions, shared ideas and performed.

John Harris Loflin "IDEC & BLM" International Democratic Education Conference (IDEC) September 30, 2021 Video 52 minutes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mnEfg9FuPIM>

Summary: Both the IDEC and Black Lives Matter movements are global. Are they on parallel paths or will they intersect because they have a common destiny? With some 370 democratic schools in 44 nations around the world, what is the challenge to IDEC to embrace and engage BLM goals of diversity and inclusion? Has the increase in immigrants from Africa and the Middle East influenced European IDEC members to seek to engage these now cultural minorities? Basically, can democratic education be universalized? johnharrisloflin@yahoo.com