



## SOPHIA KIANNI

Climate Change Advocate, Founder of Climate Cardinals & the youngest United Nations  
Advisor

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- Social entrepreneur and activist studying at Stanford University
  - Founder and executive director of Climate Cardinals, an international nonprofit with 9,000 volunteers in 40+ countries
  - She is the youngest person to ever serve as a United Nations advisor
  - She won the TED global idea competition and her debut TED Talk has +2.3 million views
  - She has sat on boards and advisory councils for The New York Times, World Economic Forum, Ashoka, American Lung Association, and Lady Gaga's Born This Way Foundation
  - Informs audiences on environmental justice and how to inspire activism within the youth
  - Speaks to being a leader as a young woman and life as a teen saving our planet

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Sophia Kianni is an Iranian-American social entrepreneur and activist studying at Stanford

University. She is the founder and executive director of Climate Cardinals, the world's largest youth-led climate nonprofit, with 9,000 volunteers in 40+ countries. She has sat on boards and advisory councils for The New York Times, World Economic Forum, Ashoka, American Lung Association, and Lady Gaga's Born This Way Foundation. She is the youngest United Nations board member and advisor in US history.

Sophia has amassed a following of over 200,000 across social media platforms and her work has been featured in news outlets including The New York Times, CNN, Vogue, Business Insider, BBC, NPR, ELLE, The Guardian, NBC, and even on the front page of The Washington Post. She was previously a fellow with PBS NewsHour and has been a freelance journalist for news outlets such as TIME Magazine, The Washington Post, MTV News, Cosmopolitan, and Teen Vogue.

Sophia is a prolific storyteller who has spoken at major events including FORTUNE Impact, Coachella, IBM Think, Arch Summit, Bermuda Climate Summit, Web Summit, Washington Post Climate Summit, WIRED Green, and New York Times Climate Forward. She has spoken at universities across the world including Harvard, Stanford, Columbia, Yale, Berkeley, Johns Hopkins, Cambridge, and Princeton. Sophia's debut TED Talk as the closing speaker at the inaugural TED Countdown Conference has 2.3+ million views.

She has been named VICE Media's youngest Human of the Year, a National Geographic Young Explorer, among Business Insider's Climate Action 30, one of Teen Vogue's 21 under 21, and a Forbes 30 under 30 honoree.

## **TEMAS**

Sophia tailors each presentation to the needs of his audience and is not limited to the topics listed below. Please ask us about any subject that interests you:

- Climate Change
- Youth Activism
- Sustainable Fashion
- Environmental Justice
- Women Leadership

- Social Entrepreneurship
- Social Justice
- Gen Z

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## **PROGRAMAS**

### **How To Change The World: Activism 101**

When Sophia was 12 years old, she looked up at the night sky in Iran and realized that she couldn't see the stars due to pollution. Since then, she has worked tirelessly to raise awareness of the environmental degradation that impacts the most vulnerable populations on our planet. Her middle school advocacy has led her to start an internationally acclaimed nonprofit, Climate Cardinals, and work as the youngest advisor to the United Nations Secretary-General. Sophia believes that in this digital age, anyone can make a difference through the power of social media and mass mobilization. In this inspiring presentation, she will share how anyone can make a difference by sparking a movement or starting an initiative

### **Climate Advocacy and Youth Leadership: If Adults Won't Take Action to Protect Our Future, Youth Will**

In middle school, Sophia brought up her concerns about climate change to her relatives and was shocked when they told her they knew nothing about global warming. She later learned that 40 percent of adults on Earth have never heard of climate change. Kids back in the day used to skip school to play hooky; now, they're skipping school to fight for their futures. As a national strategist for Fridays for Future, Sophia worked alongside Greta Thunberg to mobilize millions of students to strike for climate action.

After decades of inaction by the government, the young generation has finally decided to take matters into their own hands. Through this presentation, Sophia will provide a look into the dynamic world of youth climate activism and sketch out what life is like for the teenagers saving our planet.

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## RECONOCIMIENTOS

- FORBES: 30 UNDER 30 SOCIAL IMPACT
- VICE: Human of the Year
- TEEN VOGUE: 21 Under 21
- NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC: Young Explorer
- BUSINESS INSIDER: Climate Action 30
- UNIDAYS: Student Woman of the Year
- BUZZFEED: Woman to Watch
- ENERGY NEWS NETWORK: 40 Under 40 Honoree
- TEEN VOGUE: Teen Vogue x TED Talks Commencement Speech Finalist
- CHILDREN'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH: Nsedu Obot Witherspoon (NOW) Youth Leadership Award
- SPOKESPERSON: 2019 Extinction Rebellion Climate Strike
- LES NAPOLEONS: Laureate for Most Innovative Woman of the Year

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## CONDICIONES

- **Travels from:** New York, USA
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