GEOFF GREEN
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Educator, environmentalist and social entrepreneur, Geoff Green is an internationally respected and trusted leader. He is known as a connector and bridge builder with a visionary and creative spirit.

Geoff is the founder and president of the Students on Ice Foundation, an internationally renowned program that has taken more than 3,000 youth, educators, elders, experts, scientists, leaders and artists from around the world on educational journeys to the Arctic and Antarctic. He is also proud to serve as the Chair of the Board of Directors for the Ottawa Riverkeeper.

Geoff was appointed to the Order of Canada in 2012. In 2015, he was selected as one of the top 100 Greatest Canadian Explorers. In 2010, Geoff was voted as one of the Top 25 Transformational Canadians. The Globe & Mail called Geoff “the man who revolutionized polar and environmental education”. He was bestowed the Inuktitut name “Pitsiulak” by the Commissioner of Nunavut in 2009 for his work with Inuit youth. In 2007, Geoff was awarded the Citation of Merit for outstanding feats of exploration and service by the prestigious Explorers Club in New York City. Most recently in 2019, Geoff was appointed to the Order of Québec.

Geoff’s experience working and traveling across the Circumpolar Arctic, the Antarctic, and across the global ocean is extensive and diverse. He has worked and collaborated on national and international projects in education, science, media and conservation. He has led over 135 expeditions to the Polar Regions.

In 2017, Geoff led his most ambitious project to date – the historic Canada C3 expedition - a 150-day, 25,000km maritime journey around Canada’s coastline to help celebrate Canada’s 150th Anniversary of Confederation, with the themes of youth, environment, truth & reconciliation, diversity and inclusion.

Geoff and his partner Dr. Lisa Glithero live with their two children in Chelsea, Quebec.