

# Slater Jewell-Kemker

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Slater Jewell-Kemker is a 17 year old filmmaker and reporter who celebrates the best of humanity, empowering young people to change the world with media and technology.

Slater was born in Los Angeles, California in 1992 and grew up with a passion for the environment. She cut her teeth reporting and making short films for The MY HERO Project. In 2005, Slater met her Environmental Hero, Jean-Michel Cousteau at his family camp on Catalina Island and the short film from that experience made it into the world-renowned Cannes Film Festival in May of 2007.

In March of 2007 she received an Earth Trustee Award at the United Nations in New York City for her environmental activism in filmmaking. PAINTING PEACE and PEACE BEGINS, her companion short films spreading the message of peace through art, were both finalists at the Toronto International Film Festival's kids division, Sprocket's in 2006 and 2007 respectively. PEACE BEGINS also won the My Hero Film Festival's High School category and opened for the Oscar Nominated Documentary, WAR DANCE at the Traveling World Community Film Festival in Canada.

In May of 2008, Slater represented Canada at the Youth Environmental G8 Summit in Kobe, Japan. Shortly thereafter, Slater and her mother Wendy began work on their documentary, An Inconvenient Youth. In this film Slater travels to the home countries of fellow Environmental G8 Youth Summit delegates to document their most pressing environmental problems along with the solutions they propose. Her environmental short, DON'T GIVE IT ALL AWAY won First Place in the Music Video Category at the 2008 My Hero Film Festival, in Los Angeles, and is a finalist in the Videotivoli Film Festival in Finland.

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