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Nadkarni, Nalini. “Conserving the Canopy.” Filmed February 2009. TED video, 16:30. http://www.ted.com/talks/nalini_nadkani_on_conserving_the_canopy.

> A unique ecosystem of plants, birds and monkeys thrives in the treetops of the rainforest. Nalini Nadkarni explores these canopy worlds — and shares her findings with the world below, through dance, art and bold partnerships.Nalini Nadkarni has spent two decades climbing the trees of Costa Rica, Papua New Guinea, the Amazon, and the Pacific Northwest, exploring the world of animals and plants that live in the canopy and never come down; and investigating how this upper layer of the forest interacts with the world on the ground. A pioneering researcher in this area, Nadkarni created the “Big Canopy Database” to help researchers store and understand the rich trove of data she and others are uncovering. She also communicates what she finds using nontraditional vectors—with the help of poets, preachers, and prisoners—to teach the general public about trees and the ecosystem. (Source: TED)

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Further readings:

- Rutkow, Eric. *American Canopy: Trees, Forests, and the Making of a Nation* . New York: Scribner, 2012.

Related links:

- The Big Canopy Database
  http://academic.evergreen.edu/projects/canopylab/cdb/index.html

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