



## GREATER PORTLAND SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION NETWORK

A Regional Centre of Expertise on Education for Sustainable Development

### July 2017 Newsletter

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*Interested in having your event, news, or resources in our newsletter?  
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If you have questions, please email [contact@gpsen.org](mailto:contact@gpsen.org).*

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## GPSEN News

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What does patriotism mean to you? With July 4th around the corner, many news pundits are asking this question. It also is a very politically charged question these days and tends toward divisiveness rather than unity.

While reflecting on the complexities, I suddenly thought of our GPSEN Values: sustainability; inclusive participation; equity and environmental justice; transparency and accountability; innovation; and transformative learning. These have carried us through our development, programming, and outreach, and will be revisited in our upcoming Board retreat, as we transition leadership and co-create our new strategic

plan. It is always a worthwhile exercise to examine how our actions are informed by our values. We will keep you posted on the outcomes.

May the coming month bring you opportunities for connection, joy, and rejuvenation.

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## GPSEN Events

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### GPSEN Think Tank

**Wednesday, July 5**

10:30 - 12:00

Community Energy Project

2900 SE Stark St, Portland, OR 97214

The GPSEN Think Tank offers a supportive space to explore ideas and research, network, leverage resources, and engage in developing meaningful programs and events. It also hosts our Fellows program. This month's topics include research funding, events focused on indigenous wisdom and sustainable economics, and increasing student and community engagement.

Come join us! For more information, please contact [James Reed](#).

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## World Environmental Education Conference

**September 9-15**

Vancouver Convention Centre

Vancouver, BC

The WEEC is an international meeting for everyone working with or interested in education for the environment and a sustainable future. WEEC 2017 will be an excellent opportunity to learn about the latest in environmental and sustainability education, to discuss issues with people from all over the world, to share your own work and to learn from others. We aim to build a relevant network among environmental NGOs, civil society associations, universities, schools, and local authorities. We are grateful for the patronage of UNESCO and UNEP and invite you to engage in this powerful international opportunity.

The meeting will coincide with the RCEs of the Americas meeting, September 13-15. All RCE partners are invited. GPSEN, aka RCE Greater Portland, welcomes your participation.

For details and registration: <http://weec2017.eco-learning.org/>

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## Community Events

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# Portland Just Energy Transition Workshop

**Wednesday, July 5**

7:00 - 8:30 pm

Central Lutheran Church - Room #201

1820 NE 21st Ave, Portland

Cities all over the world are taking the lead on responding to climate change. In the United States, over 1,000 Mayors have signed the [Mayors Climate Protection Agreement](#). Unfortunately, there is also a lack of funding at the local level to implement the types of projects needed to meaningfully reduce greenhouse gas emissions and fossil fuel extraction while creating family-wage jobs.

There is an opportunity for Portland to be a national model for taking proactive measures to fight climate change while addressing economic inequity and providing major new economic opportunities for communities of color. Come join us as we talk about what just transition means, how the Portland Just Energy Transition will transform our energy systems, and how YOU can get involved!

For more information and to RSVP [click here](#).

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## World Affairs Council International Dinners

There is no better way to show the world the truly generous spirit of Oregonians than to host international visitors. The World Affairs Council has many hosting opportunities over the summer.

[Dinner hosts](#) are needed for international guests in the following programs:

- July 10 - 11 | Cultural Institutions' Scope and Reach (Colombia)
- July 29 | Fulbright Scholars (multi-regional)

[Overnight hosts](#) needed for:

- Youth visitors from Mexico, July 18 - 30
- Youth visitors from Iraq, July 20 - August 3

If you've ever wondered what you could do to contribute to deeper cross-cultural understanding and a more peaceful world—[please get in touch with us today!](#) Your hospitality makes a world of difference.

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## Discover Your Daycation



**Tuesday, July 11**

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

David Evans & Associates building  
2100 SW River Parkway, Suite 450, Portland, OR 97201

Join us for peer networking and strategic thinking about the coalition's [Daycation](#) initiative. David Karstad, of Frank Creative, will introduce the Daycation social media campaign, including a fun, exciting, fresh multimedia toolkit for partners. Pat Stark, of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, will facilitate a discussion about the vision for Daycation 2.0. Been wondering what all this Daycation talk is about, and what's in it for your agency? Join us and find out.

We'll serve coffee/tea and light breakfast munchies, so please [RSVP](#) by Wednesday, July 5. Questions? Contact Communications Manager Tara Wilkinson at [tara@theintertwine.org](mailto:tara@theintertwine.org).

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## Voices of a People's History: Nothing About Us Without Us

**Tuesday, July 11**

5:30pm - 8:30 pm  
Curious Comedy Theater  
5225 NE MLK, Portland

Each year, OPAL hosts an intimate gathering of our closest friends and the strongest supporters of the movement for Environmental Justice. Leaders in Oregon's movement perform historical speeches, essays, and poems, voicing the powerful words of those who came before us.

Tickets sell out every year! You don't want to miss this event, so [get yours before they're gone!](#)

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## Film: TOMORROW

**Thursday, July 13**

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
Clinton Street Theater  
2522 SE Clinton Street, Portland, OR 97202

TODAY, we sometimes feel powerless in front of the various crises of our times. Today, we need a new direction, objective... A new dream!

KBOO@TheClinton presents TOMORROW. Not just a film, it is the beginning of a movement seeking to encourage local communities around the world to change the way they live for the sake of our planet. Instead of showing all the worst that can happen, this documentary focuses on the people suggesting solutions and their actions. [More details here.](#)

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## Finding a Way to the Halprin Sequence

**Saturday, July 15**

10:30 am - 12:00 pm  
Portland State University Rec Center Lobby  
1800 SW 6th Ave., Portland, OR 97201

Finding a Way to the Halprin Sequence is a wayfinding campaign that highlights how easy it is to walk to the Halprin Sequence, a series of fountains, plazas, and pathways in the Auditorium District. The Wayfinding Coalition is a neighborhood partnership between residents and the following organizations: Downtown Neighborhood Association; Halprin Landscape Conservancy; Portland State University; and South Auditorium Greenway Environs.

For more information check out our [Facebook page](#) or contact [sureilly@pdx.edu](mailto:sureilly@pdx.edu).

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## When Small is Big: Forest Initiatives Around the World

**Wednesday, July 19**

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

World Forestry Center - Cheatham Hall  
4033 SW Canyon Rd., Portland, OR 97221

Join us for a half-day event exploring forest issues from around the world. Mr. Rainer Hummel, from the Washington Department of Natural Resources, and special guest speaker Dr. John Bliss, OSU Emeritus, will join our eight International Fellows as they talk about the unique and inspiring solutions that are emerging to address natural resource challenges around the world.

Registration is \$20 and includes a catered lunch. For more information and to register [click here](#).

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## Columbia Slough Regatta

**Sunday, August 6**

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Multnomah County Drainage Districts  
1880 NE Elrod Drive, Portland

Join our on-the-water festival and celebrate the Columbia Slough! At this year's Regatta, over 500 people will have the opportunity to rent a canoe or kayak from the Council (free of cost) to explore and learn more about this special hidden gem. Despite the name, the Columbia Slough Regatta is not actually a race, but more of a leisurely wildlife-watching group paddle. The event celebrates the watershed with fun and free activities for community members to develop connections with nature and neighborhood resources.

For more information, including how to register or volunteer for the event [click here](#).

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## Force of Nature Award Nominations

**Friday, September 15** (*Submissions due*)

Name your coalition heroes. This year's Intertwine Alliance Fall Summit, featuring the Force of Nature Awards luncheon, is set for Wednesday, Oct. 18, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Oregon Zoo. In anticipation of our biggest all-Alliance gathering of the year, it's time to nominate 2017 Force of Nature Award winners. We need all of your help identifying the most kudos-worthy individuals, organizations and projects

throughout The Intertwine. Who inspires you? Who is breaking new ground? Whose approach to collaborative work is setting a new standard?

Please send in your [nominations](#) by Sept. 15.

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## Climate Change Theatre Action - Hosts Needed!

**October 1 - November 18**

*Wherever You Are*

Join Climate Change Theatre Action by hosting an event in your community! Climate Change Theatre Action (CCTA) is a worldwide series of readings and performances of short climate change plays presented in support of the [United Nations COP23 meeting](#), chaired by Fiji and hosted in Bonn, Germany. For CCTA 2017, we are asking: "How can we turn the challenges of climate change into opportunities?"

We provide a collection of 50 short plays from over 25 different cultures that address an aspect of climate change; a list of resources to help make your Action effective and unique; organizational and marketing support; and a lot of enthusiasm! You agree to organize an event between October 1 and November 18, using at least one of the plays in our collection. Your event can be anything from a classroom or living room reading to a fully staged show in a theatre. CCTA is a collaboration between the [Center for Sustainable Practice in the Arts](#), [NoPassport Theatre Alliance](#), [The Arctic Cycle](#), [Theatre Without Borders](#), and [York University](#).

Contact us at [ClimateChangeTheatreAction@gmail.com](mailto:ClimateChangeTheatreAction@gmail.com) to register your event, and get access to the plays and the complete guidelines. For more information [click here](#).

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## Classes, Workshops & Conferences

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### F2O: FOREST to OCEAN Educator's Academy

**July 10 - 14, 2017**

9:00 am - 5:00 pm each day

Oregon State University Campus

Corvallis, Oregon

F2O: Forest to Ocean Educator's Academy is a unique Summer Session program offered by Oregon State University. Immerse yourself in a week-long exploration of forest and marine environments, discovering how those environments can be used to teach others about Oregon's abundant natural resources. Explore the use of natural resources and outdoor landscapes as a means of teaching others about science, ecology, mathematics, social science, history, and the language arts.

Join instructors Amy Hoffman (College of Education) and Dave Stemper (College of Forestry) in outdoor investigations that find you earning graduate credit or professional development units while journeying from Willamette Valley forest to coastal estuary & beach.

To reserve your spot, visit [Oregon State University Summer Session](#) and register for one of the following courses: FES 430/530-Forest as Classroom or SED 435/535-

## Webinar: Fostering Civic Engagement on Climate Change

**Wednesday, July 12**

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Free

Scientists are in consensus that the world needs to drastically reduce greenhouse gas emissions in order to avoid the worst impacts of climate change, and this cannot be accomplished by institutions acting alone to reduce their own impacts. This webinar introduces ways higher education can advance climate policies through education and civic engagement. We will discuss ideas for building consensus, seeking common ground, and moving towards solutions in a non-partisan way; share resources available for modeling civic engagement; and discuss where higher education institutions can have the greatest leverage.

[Register Today.](#)

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## National Children & Youth Garden Symposium

**July 12 - 15**

Portland & Vancouver

NCYGS is the only national event of its kind where you can network with like-minded teachers, garden designers, community leaders, program coordinators, and others involved with connecting kids to the natural world. Attendees will have the opportunity to:

- Explore topics ranging from curriculum to program management to garden design and maintenance during four dynamic days of educational sessions, field trips, and expert keynote presentations.
- Experience the vibrant gardening and environmental culture of the green Pacific Northwest.
- Share ideas, success stories, and inspiration with like-minded colleagues from across the nation.

For more information [click here](#).

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## Washington & Oregon Higher Education Sustainability Conference (WOHESC)

**Monday, July 17** (proposals due)

WOHESC is a platform for empowering and inspiring change, facilitating action, and for sharing, networking, and collaboration related to sustainability within the region's higher education institutions. The leadership team invites you to participate in the conference at Portland State University, February 6-8, 2018, by submitting a presentation proposal by July 17.

For more information [click here](#).

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## Growing Gardens Garden Camp

**August 14-25**

Abernethy Elementary School Garden of Wonder  
2421 SE Orange Ave, Portland, OR 97214

There are four different week's of Garden Camp this summer! Each week has a theme oriented towards a certain age group. K-5 students from any school who enjoy the outdoors, food and fun are welcome. There are spots for 20 kids each week. The teachers are educators with years of experience using school gardens to inspire young minds.

\$295 per child for one week of camp. When you register, you can select the week, or weeks, you would like to sign up for. For more information, [click here](#). If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, please contact Anna Garwood, Youth Grow Program Director at [anna@growing-gardens.org](mailto:anna@growing-gardens.org)

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## Workshop: Environmental Education Materials: Guidelines for Excellence

**Friday, August 18**

10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Oregon Zoo

In this one-day workshop, participants will explore the North American Association for Environmental Education's (NAAEE) Materials Guidelines through a diversity, equity and inclusion lens and then apply what's been learned to their outdoor school curriculum. Participants will work in small groups to put the guidelines into practice and identify ways to improve existing outdoor school programs.

\$35 per person; includes lunch and materials. Preregistration is required. [Learn more here](#) or contact Alison Heimowitz, at [alison.heimowitz@oregonzoo.org](mailto:alison.heimowitz@oregonzoo.org) or [503-220-5774](tel:503-220-5774).

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## Joanna Macy: Taking Heart in Troubled Times

**Saturday, August 26**

10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Portland Insight Meditation Center  
6536 SE Duke Street, Portland

Eco-philosopher, Buddhist scholar, and Rilke translator Joanna Macy, PhD, is a visionary leader in the movements to heal our planet, reignite our interconnected humanity, and chart a meaningful path into the future for our children. Joanna is

widely recognized for the theoretical framework and eclectic experiential processes she has developed to support a shift toward a more compassionate, creative, and eco-centric awareness of being. In 2013, she received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Bioneers Foundation.

Vegetarian lunch included. Workshop Cost is \$125. Space is limited and tickets may sell out quickly, so register asap. There are a limited number of scholarships available for youth activists 16 - 26 years old. Scholarship applications are due by July 7.

For more information [click here](#).

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## Indigenous Wisdom: Pathways to Deeper Awareness

**September 23 - 24**

Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA)  
5135 NE Columbia Blvd. Portland, OR 97218

Aleut Elder, Ilarion (Larry) Mercurieff will be leading sessions and talking circles, impelled by questions related to consciousness, pathways to problem-solving and ways to inspire people to pull together to re-achieve ecological and social balance and harmony. An evening panel discussion on 'Indigenous Wisdom' will explore how to overcome the devastation of colonization, and provide the leadership for dealing with Global Climate Change and the difficult times that will accompany it.

For information and registration, please go to the [Pull Together Now](#)

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## GoGreen Conference

**Tuesday, October 17**

Local leadership on climate is more important now than ever. In GoGreen's tenth year, now is the perfect time to celebrate our regional victories and double down on our strengths, as well as take an unfiltered look at our greatest needs and opportunities. A highlight will be the plenary session, which brings together many of our foremost sustainability leaders to give us their no-holds barred perspective and to mobilize our green business community.

For information and to register, [click here](#).

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## E-Course: Intro to Environmental Governance

***On-going***

This 3-hour self-paced course explains how international environmental agreements and policies are made, by whom, and how they are complied with, and enforced. Participants will also gain a greater understanding of the strengths and weakness of existing environmental governance regimes. All stakeholders interested in learning about the main aspects of environmental governance regimes, as well as the principal actors involved and needed reforms, can benefit from this course. Prior knowledge is not required to participate.

The course is a collaborative effort between UNITAR and UN Environment, which

expands the learning portfolio available on [InforMEA platform](#). Upon successful completion, participants will receive a joint certificate from UNITAR and UN Environment.

[Enroll now - Free of charge!](#)

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## Webinar: Turning Misinformation into Educational Opportunities

You can watch a video archive of [NOAA Climate Stewards Education Project's](#) webinar broadcast - [Turning Misinformation into Educational Opportunities](#), presented by Dr. John Cook, Research Assistant Professor at George Mason University's Center for Climate Change Communication.

When you're done, take less than 2 minutes to complete our [post-webinar poll](#).

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## Workshop: The Path to Zero Waste

### On-going

Do the employees in your office want to learn how to make less waste at home? This one-hour presentation, for your workplace or community group, explores why the average Oregonian generates more about 2,500 pounds of waste per year and how, with recycling, composting, and pre-cycling, we can save natural resources, save energy, and reduce our carbon emissions. Participants will learn personal practices that can take an individual on the path to zero waste, from low hanging fruit to more difficult topics like disposal of doggie litter.

Email [jeanne@earthleaders.org](mailto:jeanne@earthleaders.org) to schedule a presentation, free of charge!

For more information [click here](#).

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## Jobs, Internships & Volunteer Opportunities

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### Job: Seasonal Biological Sciences Team

**Wednesday, July 5 @ 5:00 pm** (application deadline)

The candidate will work with the [Portland Bureau of Environmental Services](#) Science team members to support both the [Invasive Species Program](#) and the Wetlands Inventory Project.

Work plans and schedules vary by time of year.

For information, contact [Paul Ketcham](#), Hiring Manger, and reference "Seasonal Position Science Division" in the subject header.

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### Job: Community Engagement Specialist

**Wednesday, July 5** (application deadline)

Interested in connecting people with the nature around them? Looking to develop leadership skills and learn about watershed health and how it affects all of us? The [Sandy River Basin Watershed Council](#) (SRBWC) is located on the Mt. Hood Community College Campus, along Beaver Creek. Culvert replacement projects and the clean-water retrofit on campus will greatly improve conditions for fish. This position will focus on education and outreach collaborating with diverse communities in the Beaver Creek watershed. The creek flows through Gresham and joins the Sandy River in Troutdale

For more information about this [Confluence Americorp](#) position [click here](#).

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## **Job: Executive Director for Sitka Center**

**Sunday, July 16 @ 5:00 pm** (application deadline)

The [Sitka Center for Art and Ecology](#) fosters creativity, intellectual inquiry, and education for thousands of individuals annually through its artist-in-residence, workshop, and art exhibition programming. The ideal candidate will combine supportive and flexible leadership with a high degree of self-awareness and believe that art and the power of place can transform a person and the world.

For more information [click here](#).

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## **Job: Education & Outreach Coordinator**

**July 21** (application deadline)

In partnership with the [Confluence Environmental Center](#), [National Wildlife Federation](#) and the [Association for Northwest Steelheaders](#) are looking for an AmeriCorps Member to promote environmental justice by engaging communities, schools, and partners in opportunities that help develop access to outdoor experiences, supports sustainable environmental education, and restores/protects wildlife habitat in neighborhoods with disparities in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties. The Member will participate in Confluence led professional development activities: Professional Development Series, completing a Change Agent Project, monthly team meetings, National Service events, and other self-directed development opportunities.

For more information [click here](#).

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## **Job: Verde Communications Specialist**

**July 21** (application deadline)

In Partnership with the [Confluence Environmental Center](#), [Verde](#) leads [Living Cully](#), a collaborative effort of [Habitat for Humanity Portland/Metro East](#), [Hacienda Community Development Corporation](#), the [Native American Youth & Family Center](#) and [Verde](#). Living Cully reinterprets sustainability as an anti-poverty strategy, braiding together traditional social service resources with environmental resources. Living Cully makes a real difference in the lives of low-income people and people of color in the Cully neighborhood by building and maintaining affordable housing, building green infrastructure, creating jobs and job training opportunities, preventing displacement, and building community. The Communications Specialist will take the

lead on creating content for the Living Cully and Verde websites, social media updates and e-newsletter creation, and outreach.

For more information [click here](#).

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## **Job: Habitat Restoration Educator**

**July 21** (application deadline)

In Partnership with the [Confluence Environmental Center](#) and the [Columbia Slough Watershed Council](#) (CSWC), the Member will help lead the CSWC Restoration Education program. The Columbia Slough Watershed includes the diverse and urban Portland neighborhoods of St John's, through North and Northeast Portland, to Fairview and Gresham in the east. The Member will lead High School youth mentors and elementary school students as they learn about habitat restoration and assist with a project in a natural area near their schools. They will also provide classroom lesson support, conduct restoration site surveys, and help with event preparation and staffing. Outdoor activities will include leading students in planting or clearing invasive plants (fall and winter months), site surveys (spring and fall,) flatwater paddling, and teaching assistance.

For more information [click here](#).

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## **Job: Environmental Justice Educator**

**July 21** (application deadline)

In Partnership with the [Confluence Environmental Center](#) and the [Immigrant and Refugee Community Organizations](#) (IRCO) and [Schools Uniting Neighborhoods Community School Program](#) (SUN CS), the Environmental Justice Educator will serve as a centralized environmental outreach and education specialist for the Madison High School community. The educator will identify and engage underserved and at-risk students to participate in Madison's environmental justice education programs.

To learn more, [click here](#).

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## **Job: Community Development Coordinator**

**July 21** (application deadline)

In Partnership with the [Confluence Environmental Center](#), [Trash for Peace](#) is excited to host an AmeriCorps Member with the goal of educating community members about sustainability through hands-on learning and real-world experiences. This position will help to expand Trash for Peace's Sustainability Education Program, a dynamic, weekly program that is hosted on affordable housing communities throughout Multnomah County. It also includes volunteer management, and in collaboration with People-Places-Things, the implementation of hands-on sustainability curriculum for teaching community-based English classes.

For more information [click here](#).

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## **Job: ECO Development Associate**

**July 30** (application deadline)

[Ecology in Classrooms and Outdoors](#) (ECO) is looking for a Development Associate to help us continue fulfilling our mission to inspire elementary school students to connect to our natural world by providing hands-on ecology enrichment programs. The Associate will directly support the Development Director in cultivating and maintaining relationships with individual, corporate and foundation donors. The Associate will become adept at managing and utilizing the donor database. The Associate will assist in planning and implementing events, appeals, and campaigns throughout the year.

For more information [click here](#).

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## **Job: Development Director**

Audubon Society of Portland seeks a Development Director to manage a proven and diverse array of fundraising programs, and to apply steady leadership in pursuit of new opportunities with major donors, foundations, and membership. The Development Director manages three full-time team members consisting of a donor relations manager, membership manager, and development coordinator, in addition to two seasonal contract staff. Additional administrative support is anticipated within the next six months. The position serves on Portland Audubon's leadership team, and serves as staff liaison to the board's active Development & Membership Committee.

Open until filled, [Click here for more information and how to apply](#).

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## **Internship: NWEI Curriculum and Research**

**July 31** (application deadline)

The Curriculum and Research Intern will work closely with the Director of Learning and the Director of Organizational and Higher Education Partnerships in developing and publicizing a new program on leading for change. The internship will last nine months, starting in September 2017 and ending in May 2018. The Intern is expected to work part-time (approximately 10 hours per week).

Job duties include, but are not limited to: Conducting research on sustainability topics; Pursuing permissions contracts; Proofreading and editing; Compiling information; Developing learning activities; Writing author bios/by-lines; Data analysis and entry; and Research and outreach related to discussion course launch.

For more information [click here](#).

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## **Job: Campus Compact Americorps Members**

Campus Compact of Oregon is looking for motivated, energetic candidates who can use their passion for social justice, equity, and education to serve as AmeriCorps Members to empower Oregon's low-income students, with a specific focus on

students of color.

AmeriCorps members serve at colleges, universities, K12 schools, or education nonprofits and work with a supervisor at this host site. Campus Compact of Oregon supports AmeriCorps members with a living stipend, training, resources, and community. This is a 10 or 12-month commitment (depending on position) beginning in mid August-early September of 2017.

[View available positions.](#)

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## **Job: Executive Director for Schoolyard Farms**

Schoolyard Farms seeks an exceptionally motivated and experienced nonprofit professional to lead, strategically guide and build on our existing programs in the Portland-metro area. With previous experience working with and fundraising for underserved communities, and managing a small organization, this individual will be able to bring a diverse skill set and viewpoint to the discussion table around social and racial justice.

This is a part to full-time position, depending on your level of experience. The job is based in our Portland, Oregon office. Our ideal start date for this position is August 14th, 2017.

[Applications](#) will be accepted until our ideal candidate is identified.

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## **Job: Youth Ecology Corps**

**Sept 19** (application deadline)

The [Youth Ecology Corps](#) (YEC) is hiring youth and young adults (ages 16-24) for paid conservation jobs this spring and summer. The YEC is a conservation job skills and education program jointly run by [Metro](#) and [Project YESS](#), a youth-development organization based at Mt. Hood Community College. Participants are led in the field each work day by a highly skilled crew leader/educator, and they complete a wide variety of conservation/natural resource projects on Metro properties. They also receive career and professional development opportunities. In addition, a number of successful program graduates have been hired directly by Metro for entry-level seasonal positions paying \$12+/hr. Pay starts at \$10/hr, and we supply monthly bus passes as well as work boots, work pants, gloves, water bottles, and any other gear needed for the job.

For more information [click here](#). For questions, email: [Michael.Oliver@mhcc.edu](mailto:Michael.Oliver@mhcc.edu)

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## **Volunteer: Sandy River Basin Treasurer**

The [Sandy River Basin Watershed Council](#) (SRBWC) is seeking a skilled and dedicated Treasurer to grow our ecological and community impact in the Sandy's iconic, dynamic environment. The Treasurer serves as a volunteer member of SRBWC's Board of Directors for a two-year term, leading financial oversight and strategy. The ideal treasurer will bring energy and enthusiasm about the Council's mission, along with professional experience and interest in financial management, particularly related to non-profit organizations.

For more information [click here](#).

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## GPSEN Fellowships, Internships, and Volunteering

There are many ways to [get involved](#) in GPSEN! Consider becoming a fellow, intern, volunteer, or committee or working group member to make a difference.

Credit and non-credit opportunities are available for internships. Contact [James Reed](#) for the Fellows program and [Kim Smith](#) for internships. Current openings include:

- **GPSEN Fellows.** Open to graduate students and professionals with particular research interests and skills. Fellows are part of our Think Tank.
  - **Social Media Intern.** Join our outreach team and help share GPSEN's story.
  - **Development & Grant Writing.** Help build GPSEN's capacity and your skills by helping our Development Committee identify and write grant applications.
  - **Create your own position!** Have a skill you would like to apply and develop? Let's talk about how we can support each other.
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## Grants & Resources

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### Teacher-Friendly Guide to Climate Change

The Museum of the Earth's "Teacher Friendly Guide to Climate Change" is an excellent alternative to the Heartland Institute's anti-climate science publication being distributed to teachers around the country. This NSF-funded project includes both the basics of climate change science and perspectives on teaching a subject that has become socially and politically polarized. The focus audience is high school Earth science and environmental science teachers, and it is written with an eye toward the kind of information and graphics that a secondary school teacher might need in the classroom.

For more details, check out [The Teacher-Friendly Guide to Climate Change](#). If you are interested, they also are trying to [crowdfund](#) to distribute around 100,000 copies to teachers in the Northeast. They are aiming to eventually increase this to cover all the teachers in the US.

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### NWEI Discussion Course Materials

This summer, spend time doing the things you love. Are there trails you've been wanting to explore? Work to do in your own garden or a community garden? Take a pause to celebrate the season. Connect with local, seasonal foods, reconnect with nature, build community and take action on the things that matter most in your life. Consider gathering with others for a summer discussion group on [Menu for the Future](#), [Hungry for Change](#) or [Reconnecting With Earth](#).

For more information and a full list of discussion course materials [click here](#).

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### Sustainability Literacy Test

In September 2015, the 193 UN member states adopted Agenda 2030 and its

17 [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs). From the beginning, the Sulitest has been committed to supporting the SDGs. A new Sulitest module created by UN-DESA, with questions focused on the SDGs, is now available for universities and businesses all over the world. A great addition to classes, test your students' and staff's knowledge on sustainability practices and the UN's Global Goals.

To learn more, go to the [Sulitest website](#).

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## Citizen Science Project Survey

Help us shape new citizen science projects that explore the atmosphere. Citizen science, also known as [Public Participation in Scientific Research](#) (PPSR) or crowdsourcing, involves the public in assisting with scientific research. The goal of this survey is to learn what citizen science project ideas related to the science at the [University Corporation for Atmospheric Research](#) (UCAR) and the [National Center for Atmospheric Research](#) (NCAR) are of interest to K-12 education, informal education, and the general public. We'd like to hear from you! The information you share will help shape how we involve the public and students with citizen science research projects in the future.

[Take the survey now!](#)

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## Edible Schoolyard Network

The Edible Schoolyard Network connects educators around the world to build and share a K-12 edible education curriculum. Add your own school program, learn about programs around the world, and access resources for growing your initiatives.

For more information [click here](#).

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## Community Climate Change Education: A Mosaic of Approaches

A book for practitioners and innovators featuring twenty-six stories from the field, shared by the EECapacity and NAAEE Community Climate Change Fellows, with information and resources on over a dozen approaches to community climate change education, from public art, resilience gardening, and climate justice, to social innovation, marine science, and youth programming.

For details and to download, [click here](#).

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## Resource: NGSS CLEAN Collection

The CLEAN collection is now aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). There are multiple ways you can search the collection using NGSS.

- 1) [NGSS browse](#) – a user-friendly search portal into the collection
  - 2) [NGSS at a Glance](#) – overview of all NGSS standards that are relevant to climate and energy with clickable resource links
  - 3) Use the [regular search interface](#) and use the filters.
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## The Intertwine Alliance's Daycation APP

[The Intertwine Alliance's](#) Daycation APP offers personalized adventures combining natural areas with fun urban waypoints. Click [here](#) to learn more about the app -- including a [Youth Engagement Opportunity](#) with ROSE Community Development.

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## Green Teacher - Video Submissions

For many years, youth educators around the world have shared their innovative learning activities and teaching strategies in [Green Teacher](#) magazine. In 2011, we launched a popular webinar series as a way of providing another medium for sharing great green teaching strategies. In 2016, we taped our first 6 videos, which we will be releasing in the coming months. Now in 2017, we're officially welcoming anyone and everyone to send us short videos. Once published on YouTube, we'll highlight your video(s) on our website and in our social media. Keep your videos between 3 - 10 minutes in length. Five minutes is an ideal length, whereas longer ones usually lose viewers.

For information [click here](#).

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## UN Environment Live

[UN Environment Live](#) is a free, dynamic, open-access, on-line platform for sharing data and knowledge to keep the environment under review. Environment Live supports environmental policy through foresight, outlooks and assessments, and providing capacity building for countries to achieve the Goals of Agenda 2030 and Sustainable Development.

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## Education for SDGs - Learning Objectives

[UNESCO](#), as the United Nations' specialized agency for education, is entrusted to lead and coordinate the [Education 2030 Agenda](#), which is part of a global movement to eradicate poverty through [17 Sustainable Development Goals](#) by 2030. Education, essential to achieve all of these goals, has its own dedicated Goal ([#4](#)), which aims to "ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all."

This new publication targets educators, policy-makers, and curriculum developers. It contains learning objectives and suggestions for classroom activities to address each of the SDGs as well as guidance on how to integrate Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) into policies and teaching.

To download the publication, click [here](#).

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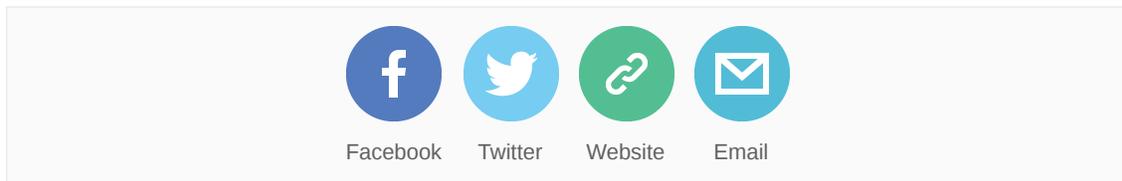
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