ES Newsletter, Week of October 20, 2008

ON CAMPUS EVENTS

**Water Workshop**
Monday, Oct. 20  7:30pm
Adams Room 202
Sponsored by the Evergreens

As part of their focus on water issues this semester, the Evergreens are hosting a water workshop this Monday at 7pm in the Adams hall common room. Amy Dowley from the DC non-profit Food and Water Watch will talk about issues on the national level, as well as the "Take Back the Tap" campaign that has been sweeping the country. Emily Posner from the grassroots organization Defending Water for Life in Maine will talk about water politics in Maine, especially regarding the presence of Nestle/Poland Springs. Pizza will be provided. Bring your own (not plastic!) bottle!

**Graduate School  and Professional Fair**
Oct. 22, 2008
Morrell Lounge, Smith Union

**The Earth’s Glacial Cycles**
Wednesday, October 22  4:15-5:15 pm
Searles 213, Reception: 3:30 pm in Searles 214
Professor Richard McGehee, Director of Graduate Studies, University of Minnesota School of Mathematics

Are you interested in the feedback loop between greenhouse gases and Earth's temperature? Come and hear about a math model of the ice core data for the last few hundred thousand years.

**Discussion: “Reading Manufactured Landscapes: Drawing Meaning from Photography”**
Wednesday, October 22, 7:00 p.m
Center Gallery, Bowdoin College Museum of Art

Panel discussion of film excerpts by Bowdoin professors Susan Bell, Michael Kolster, Shu-chin Tsui, and Tricia Welsch.

**Museum of Art Exhibition: "Manufactured Landscapes"**
October 23 through December 23
Center Gallery, Bowdoin College Museum of Art

This focused exhibition of images of industrialized China by acclaimed landscape photographer Edward Burtynsky is an interdisciplinary exploration of the politics, economics, and social ramifications of human intervention in the natural world. Burtynsky’s photographs of the Chinese landscape indicate the environmental consequence that is the result of expansion and mass production. Jennifer Baichwal’s biographical documentary about Burtynsky, entitled Manufactured Landscapes, will be shown periodically in conjunction with the exhibition.

**Interested in Environmental Studies?**
**Come to a “Pre Majors” Meeting**
Thursday, Oct. 30 8:00 pm
ES Common Room, Adams Hall
Meet with ES faculty, staff and students.
Hear about ES courses and other opportunities in Environmental Studies.
Learn how you can combine the major with off-campus study and fellowships.
Enjoy some ice cream and coffee.
Questions– Contact Eileen Johnson at ejohnson@bowdoin.edu

"From Great to Small: Two Artists Explore the Islands of the Eastern Coast"
Exhibition in the VAC Fishbowl- Oct 24-Nov 7
Opening Reception Friday, Oct. 24 7:30-9:30 pm

Summer fellowship recipients Alexandra Bassett and Mary Helen Miller will exhibit the products of the summer work.

Conservation as if People Mattered: Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas around the Globe and Here at Home,”
Saturday, November 8
Smith Auditorium
Sponsored by the Environmental Studies Program and Center for the Common Good at Bowdoin College and The Nature Conservancy.

This symposium will present case studies on community based conservation both internationally and locally including case studies from India, Nepal, Costa Rica, Mexico, Northeaster United States and Maine. It will feature examples of forestry, fisheries, indigenous protected areas and the intersection of community conserved areas with national parks.

The format will include a key note address by Ashish Kothari, who is the 2008 Mellon Global Scholar at Bowdoin and co-chair of the IUCN Theme on Indigenous/Local Communities, Equity, and Protected Areas, and three plenary speakers who will explore international perspectives. An afternoon panel of local speakers will provide an overview of community conserved initiatives in Maine and New England. In both sessions there will be time for the participants to engage in discussion. The symposium will conclude with a discussion on next steps.

This is a great opportunity to network with individuals who are working on conservation issues both locally and with international NGOs. There is no charge for the symposium, however registration is required.


For more information, contact Eileen Johnson at ejohnson@bowdoin.edu or 207-798-7157.

OFF CAMPUS EVENTS

“OUR TOWN”
Monday, Oct 20
7:00pm, Q&A To Follow Film
In the fall of 2005 Wal-Mart announced plans to build a SuperCenter in a small coastal Maine town. The range of citizen responses soon created a fissure that divided the community. On one side were those who wanted convenience, jobs, increased tax revenues, and rolled back prices. On the other side were those who sought to protect the local landscape and economy from out-of-scale development and out-of-town corporate colonization. For many of the individuals who participated in the debate, the experience ignited democratic ideals considered beyond reach or tarnished by politics. 

"Our town" follows the struggle of one community, challenged by the largest corporation in the world. Ultimately, the film asks the questions: what kind of town do you want to live in and who holds the power to determine the fate of your community? At Frontier Café, Cinema & Gallery, 14 Maine St. Fort Andross - Mill 3, Brunswick. Tix: $7. 725-5222. www.explorefrontier.com

GLOBAL LENS 2008: “THE FISH FALL IN LOVE”
Wednesday, Oct 22
5:00pm & 7:00pm

Atieh’s singular passion is food, and her small but popular restaurant on the sleepy Caspian coast is her pride and joy. But when Aziz, her former fiancé, appears after a twenty-year absence, the women believe he has intentions of closing the restaurant, so Atieh prepares his favorite dishes, one after the other, in a desperate effort to convince him otherwise. Loose based on the Persian fable of Shahrazad and the Thousand Myths (A Thousand and One Nights), director Ali Rafi uses the language of food to paint a richly textured portrait of life and love on the northern coast of Iran. Inquire about our Series Pass which includes all ten Global Films for $45. At Frontier Café, Cinema & Gallery, 14 Maine St. Fort Andross - Mill 3, Brunswick. Tix: $7. 725-5222. www.explorefrontier.com

“TRANSSIBERIAN”
Friday, Oct 24 at 4:00pm, 6:30pm, 8:30pm
Saturday, Oct 25 at 6:30pm, 8:30pm

When an American couple (Woody Harrelson and Emily Mortimer of Match Point) traveling from China to Moscow on the Trans-Siberian Railway meets an outwardly friendly couple traveling the same route, deception soon gives way to murder in The Machinist, director Brad Anderson's tense tale of international intrigue. Ben Kingsley and Thomas Kretschmann of The Pianist co-star as a pair of Russian police officers striving to solve the case and stop the rising body count. At Frontier Café, Cinema & Gallery, 14 Maine St. Fort Andross - Mill 3, Brunswick. Tix: $7. 725-5222. www.explorefrontier.com

Climate Change 21 -- Choices for the 21st Century (CC21)
October 23 & 24, 2008

All undergraduate and graduate students from Maine’s colleges and universities are invited to submit abstracts describing posters or presentations they would like to display at CC21 in October 2008.

There will be five categories of student work at CC21:
- Undergraduate student posters -- research on climate change causes, effects, and choices
- Graduate student posters -- research on climate change causes, effects, and choices
- Arts and humanities presentations related to climate change (performance, fine arts, etc.)
- Public education posters on climate change causes, effects, and choices
- Student team report posters on campus initiatives related to climate change
In each category there will be a cash prize of $500 and recognition at the conference session during Day 2 for the best poster or presentation. In addition there will be up to ten honorable mention awards drawn from any of the five categories.

The competition judging team will be led by internationally-recognized climate scientist Dr. Paul Mayewski, Director, Climate Change Institute, The University of Maine. Honorary Judge and awards presenter will be Scott Pelley of “60 Minutes” -- CBS News.

To register your poster or presentation, please send the following by Tuesday, September 30 to Mark W. Anderson, Coordinator, Ecology & Environmental Sciences Program, 5782 Winslow Hall, University of Maine, Orono, Maine 04469-5782. Inquiries to: mark.anderson@umit.maine.edu

INTERNSHIPS/RESEARCH

Climate change and the future of the Northern Forest
Northern Forest Alliance 2008 Climate Change Conference
November 1 and 2, 2008; day long events
Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire
Note: Registration and lodging are at no cost to Bowdoin students

Who should attend this conference?
- Undergraduate students concerned about the impacts of climate change on the Northern Forest.

Why should you attend?
- Learn from experts in the field
- Develop the best emission reduction options for your campus
- Take action to enhance the future of the Northern Forest
- Contact Shelly Martin to register at smartin@nfainfo.org or at 802.253.8227 ext. 13

Visit the website at www.northernforestalliance.org

Clinton Global Initiatives
Student Scholarship – deadline Nov. 7
President Clinton established the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) in 2005 to turn ideas into action. A non-partisan initiative of the William J. Clinton Foundation, CGI moves beyond discussion, fostering a shared responsibility to address major global problems. From presidents to academics, from the boardroom to the classroom, CGI members from all walks of life are affecting positive change.

CGI U’s second annual meeting will be held at the University of Texas at Austin from **February 13-15, 2009**. In Austin, over a thousand students will come together to make a difference both internationally and locally.

All students who wish to attend CGI U must submit an application. Each application is thoroughly reviewed by the CGI U team. CGI U actively seeks a range of students who have a variety of experiences, interests, talents, and goals.

For more information:


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