Dear Friends of HUCE,

Due to the holiday, this email contains event listings for Sunday, November 25 through Thursday, December 6, 2007. Please check the HUCE calendar on our website, <a href="www.environment.harvard.edu">www.environment.harvard.edu</a>, for the most up-to-date listings and complete event descriptions throughout the semester. Also available on our website is the first lecture of the *Biodiversity*, *Ecology*, *and Global Change* series with Shahid Naeem, Professor of Ecology at Columbia University.

If you would like to submit an event to the calendar or unsubscribe (!) from this list, contact Lisa Matthews at the Center for the Environment: <a href="mailto:lisa">lisa</a> matthews@harvard.edu.

Please distribute this email to your students, faculty, colleagues, and anyone else who may be interested in environmental events around the community. We hope to see you soon and often.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

### **Highlights:**

\*Thursday, November 29: Prominent historian William Cronon examines key cultural assumptions about humanity and nature that have characterized modern American environmental thinking in "Saving Nature in Time: Why Environmentalism Needs History as much as Science."

\*Monday, December 3: "Climate Change: Is Economics the Source of the Problem or the Key to the Solution?" with Harvard University Center for the Environment Visiting Scholar Charles Kolstad, University of California, Santa Barbara.

\*Wednesday, December 5: The *Biodiversity, Ecology, and Global Change* lecture series continues with Peter Reich, whose recent research at the University of Minnesota focuses on the impact of environmental change on terrestrial ecosystems.

## **Calendar Listings:**

### Sunday 11/25/2007

1:00p

Arnold Arboretum: Free Walking Tour

Explore the collections on a free guided tour led by a knowledgeable volunteer.

Hunnewell Building Visitor Center, 125 Arborway, Boston, MA

Contact: 617.524.1718 x 100

#### Monday 11/26/2007

12:00p - 1:00p

Harvard Energy Journal Club

Visit http://www.hcs.harvard.edu/hejc/schedule.html for current topics of discussion.

HUCE Seminar room, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA

Contact: Kurt House, khouse@fas.harvard.edu, www.hcs.harvard.edu/hejc/index.html

4:00p

Earth and Planetary Sciences Department Colloquia

Lectures take place at 4:00pm in Haller Hall. Check seminar Web site for speaker information.

Haller Hall, 20 Oxford St., Harvard Campus, Cambridge, MA

Contact: miller@eps.harvard.edu, www.eps.harvard.edu/seminars/epscollo...

4:15p - 6:00p

Climate Change and Iceland's Role in North Atlantic Security

Speaker: Björn Bjarnason, Minister of Justice, Republic of Iceland with moderator Steven E. Miller,

Director, KSG International Security Program.

Bell Hall, 5th Floor Belfer Building, 79 JFK St., Cambridge

Contact: ISP Program Coordinator, <a href="mailto:susan\_lynch@ksg.harvard.edu">susan\_lynch@ksg.harvard.edu</a>, 617-496-1981

5:00p - 6:00p

Ideas on the Fringe with E.O. Wilson

Edward Wilson discusses his new book, "The Superorganism". Presented by the Mind/Brain/Behavior Interfaculty Initiative and hosted by Marc Hauser.

Science Center, Lecture Hall B, One Oxford St., Cambridge

Contact: (617) 495-8478, mbb.harvard.edu/content/resources/fri...

### Tuesday 11/27/2007

12:00p

Herbaria Seminar Series

Benjamin Smith Barton: Naturalist and Physician in Jeffersonian, with Ernest Schuyler, Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia.

Herbaria Seminar Room, 22 Divinity Avenue, Harvard Campus, Cambridge

Contact: www.huh.harvard.edu/seminar\_series/

3:00p - 4:00p

ClimaTea Lecture/Journal Club

Visit the Atmosphere, Ocean, and Climate Dynamics website for current speakers and topics of discussion.

Geological Museum, Room 418, 26 Oxford St., Cambridge

Contact: Kate Dennis and Martin Tingley, www.seas.harvard.edu/climate/seminars...

4:00p

Program for Evolutionary Dynamics Seminar Series

Speaker: Professor Joachim Krug Institute for Theoretical Physics University of Cologne

One Brattle Square, Harvard University, Cambridge

Contact: May Huang, mhuang@fas.harvard.edu, (617) 496 4683

4:00p

Earth History and Paleobiology Seminar

Speaker: Soren Jensen from Universidad de Extremadura, Spain. "A worm at one end and a fool at the

other: trace fossils and the early evolution of animals"

Haller Hall, Geological Museum, 24 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA

Contact: Phoebe Cohen, pacohen@fas.harvard.edu

5:00p

Harvard Climate Change Colloquium: The Climate Group's Chris Walker

Pizza and Politics: "Climate Change, Business, and Politics: Making Strides Towards a Low-Carbon

Future"

Ticknor Lounge, 79 JFK Street, Cambridge, MA

Contact: (617) 495-1360, www.greencrimson.com

Wednesday 11/28/2007

7:30a - 12:00p

Environmental Business Council Seminar Series on Offshore Wind Energy

"Logistics: Garnering Wind Power Offshore Session 2"

The Lenox Hotel, 61 Exeter Street at Boylston, Boston, MA

Contact: http://ebc.terranovum.com/

4:15p - 5:30p

Seminar in Environmental Economics and Policy

Joshua Margolis, Harvard University, Hillary Anger Elfenbein, University of California, Berkeley, and James P. Walsh, University of Michigan. "Does It Pay to Be Good?"

L-382, 79 John F. Kennedy St., Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA

Contact: Jennifer Shultis, jennifer\_shultis@harvard.edu, (617) 496-8054

5:30p

Climate Change, Climate Justice Lecture Series

"The Rising Tide: Development and Climate Change – Where is the Justice?" Featuring: Adil Najam, Sivan Kartha, and Tarig Banuri

Barnum 104, Tufts University, Medford, MA

Contact: Mieke van der Wansem, mieke.wansem@tufts.edu

6:00p

Harvard Climate Change Colloquium

Green Cities Forum: "The Cities' Response to the Climate Crisis" with mayors from around the country

Institute of Politics Forum, 79 JFK Street, Cambridge, MA

Contact: (617) 495-1360, www.greencrimson.com

8:00p

Science Center Research Lectures for Non-specialists

"Motion: A Hallmark of Life, from Marsupials to Molecules." T. W. Richard, Professor Emeritus, Harvard University

Science Center Lecture Hall D, One Oxford St., Cambridge, MA

Contact: fhapgood.fastmail.fm/richard.pdf

### Thursday 11/29/2007

4:00p

**OEB Seminar** 

"The role of phenotypic plasticity and selection in the colonization of a novel environment". Speaker Trevor Price, University of Chicago

Bio Labs Lecture Hall, 16 Divinity Ave, Harvard Campus, Cambridge

Contact: Katie Parodi, kparodi@oeb.harvard.edu, www.oeb.harvard.edu/seminars.htm

5:00p - 7:00p

Science and Democracy Lecture Series: Why Environmentalism Needs History as much as Science "Saving Nature in Time" Speaker: William Cronon. In this lecture, drawn from a forthcoming book of the same title, William Cronon will examine the key cultural assumptions about humanity and nature that have characterized modern American environmental thinking.

Science Center Lecture Hall A, 1 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA

Contact: Lisa Matthews. lisa matthews@harvard.edu, 617-495-8883, www.ksg.harvard.edu/sts/

5:30p

Arnold Arboretum: Landscape Institute Information Session

Attend an Information Session to learn about the academic programs offered by the Landscape Institute. 29 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

Contact: landscape@arnarb.harvard.edu, 617.495.8632

### Friday 11/30/2007

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11:00a - 12:00p

#### Harvard Forest 2007 Seminar Series

Michael Bank - Harvard School of Public Health Mercury in the environment: pattern and process

Harvard Forest Seminar Room, Harvard Forest, Petersham, MA

Contact: Audrey Barker Plotkin, aabarker@fas.harvard.edu, (978) 724-3302

12:00p - 1:00p

### Harvard Ecology Discussion Group

Please check the Ecology Group website for topics of discussion.

Hoffman Faculty Lounge, 20 Oxford St., 4th Floor, Cambridge, MA

Contact: Mike Dietze, mdietze@oeb.harvard.edu, hcs.harvard.edu/hedg

### Monday 12/3/2007

12:00p - 1:00p

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Contact: miller@eps.harvard.edu, www.eps.harvard.edu/seminars/epscollo...

4:00p - 5:30p

#### Climate Change: Is Economics the Source of the Problem or the Key to the Solution?

Speaker: Charles Kolstad, Harvard University Center for the Environment Visiting Scholar from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Allison Dining Room, Taubman Building, 5th Floor, Belfer Center, 79 JFK St., Cambridge, MA

Contact: Jennifer Shultis, jennifer\_shultis@harvard.edu, 617-496-8054

#### Tuesday 12/4/2007

9:30a - 11:00a

## The Role of Scientists in the Science and Technology Policymaking in China

Energy Technology Innovation Policy seminar series. Speaker: Peng Ru, ETIP Fellow.

L-369, Belfer Center Library, 79 John F. Kennedy St., Kennedy School of Government

Contact: ETIP Coordinator, sam\_milton@harvard.edu, (617) 496-5584, www.energytechnologypolicy.org

12:00p

### Biological Anthropology Seminar: Social learning and traditions in wild capuchin monkeys

Speaker: Dr. Susan Perry, Department of Anthropolgy, UCLA

HUCE Seminar Room, 3rd Floor, 24 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA

Contact: Meg Lynch, mlynch@fas.harvard.edu

#### 12:00p Herbaria Seminar Series

Rare, endangered, and improbable plants of New Jersey with Jean Marie Hartman, Rutgers University.

Herbaria Seminar Room, 22 Divinity Avenue, Harvard Campus, Cambridge

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4:00p

Earth History and Paleobiology seminar: "The Preservation of Burgess Shale fossils"

Speaker: Dr. Andrea Grottoli, Ohio State University. "Stable Carbon Isotopes in Corals and

Sclerosponges: Implications for Paleoceanography and Biology."

Haller Hall, 20 Oxford St., Harvard Campus, Cambridge, MA

Contact: Phoebe Cohen or Jon Wilson, pacohen@fas.harvard.edu, jpwilson@fas.harvard.edu

6:00p

Institute of Politics Forum: Overcoming Nuclear Danger

A 2007 Albert H. Gordon lecture by Mikhail Gorbachev, President, Soviet Union (1990-1991)

Institute of Politics, JFK School, Harvard University, 79 JFK St., Cambridge, MA

Contact: 617 496 3864, www.iop.harvard.edu

7:30p

Center for Astrophysics: Author Night

"Planets, Stars, and Galaxies," with David Aguilar, Center for Astrophysics.

60 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA

Contact: pubaffairs@cfa.harvard.edu, (617) 495-7461, www.cfa.harvard.edu/events/public\_eve...

### Wednesday 12/5/2007

4:15p - 5:30p

Seminar in Environmental Economics and Policy

Charles Kolstad and Nicholas Burger, University of California, Santa Barbara. "Voluntary Public Goods Provision, Coalition Formation, and Uncertainty"

L-382, 79 John F. Kennedy St., Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA

Contact: Jennifer Shultis, jennifer\_shultis@harvard.edu, (617) 496-8054

5:00p

Biodiversity, Ecology, and Global Change

Speaker: Peter Reich, F.B. Hubacheck, Sr. Chair in Forest Ecology and Tree Physiology, University of Minnesota.

Bio Labs Lecture Hall, 16 Divinity Ave., Harvard Campus, Cambridge, MA

Contact: Lisa Matthews, lisa matthews@harvard.edu, 617-495-8883

7:00p

Screening: King Corn

A new documentary about the state of agriculture and food systems in America today.

Hilles Cinema, 59 Shepard Street, Cambridge, MA 02138

Contact: Jessica Zdeb, jessica\_zdeb@harvard.edu, 617.496.6201,

www.dining.harvard.edu/flp/calendar.h...

Thursday 12/6/2007

4:00p OEB Seminar Series

Speaker: Dr. Steve Orzack, The Fresh Pond Research Institute. Title TBA.

Bio Labs Lecture Hall, 16 Divinity Ave, Harvard Campus, Cambridge

Contact: www.oeb.harvard.edu/seminars.htm

q00:6

Carpenter Center Lecture: Understanding Anthropogeomorphology

Speaker: Matt Coolidge, the director of the Center for Land Use Interpretation (CLUI).

Carpenter Center, 24 Quincy Street, Cambridge, MA

Contact: 617.495.3251, www.ves.fas.harvard.edu/coolidgematt....

## 7:00p

Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics: Family Friendly Nights

A Star is Born, with Meredith Hughes. How are stars made, and what happens when their lives are over? 60 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA

Contact: pubaffairs@cfa.edu, (617) 495-7461, www.cfa.harvard.edu/events/ffn.html