

TURNING
**VISION
INTO
ACTION**

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THE 24TH ANNUAL NATIONAL **BIONEERS CONFERENCE**

OCTOBER 18–20, 2013
SAN RAFAEL, CA

*Join the Movement for Environmental,
Cultural and Social Wellness!*



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Who Should Attend

COMMUNITY ACTIVISTS
AND ORGANIZERS
ENVIRONMENTALISTS
SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCATES
BUSINESS & CIVIC LEADERS
EDUCATORS **STUDENTS**

*Any and all aspiring change-makers
and global citizens who want to ensure
a sustainable and just future for all*

What To Expect

A network of
innovation experts
and emergent
leaders who are *Turning Vision
Into Action* now

A forum of discussion, education
and collaborative action for achieving
sustainability and equality

Inspiration to play a meaningful role in
promoting resilient communities and the
health and wellness of all living things



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WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US IN ACTION THIS YEAR...

In this epic moment of radical environmental and social disruption, we're experiencing the sunrise of an ecologically literate and socially just civilization. We are all called upon to take a stand, to be a leader, to step up in our lives, our work, our families, our communities, our world...working together, turning vision into action.

Like grass growing through pavement, Nature's profound capacity for healing and regeneration cannot be denied, and we too can act as healers. The Bioneers vision is rooted in nature-inspired solutions and justice for the world's social, cultural and environmental challenges. For the most part, those solutions are already present and we know in which directions to head. It's not that we need more solutions—what we need is to honor and rapidly spread and scale those solutions. The National Bioneers Conference celebrates and illuminates these diverse pathways.

If you've been to our conference, you know the indescribably joyous pulse that flows when our hearts are beating together in the right direction. Amazing connections occur. If you've not yet been, you'll surely want to experience what many participants call a life-changing event!

So register today to join forces with our kaleidoscopic network of networks at the National Bioneers Conference, where innovators, change-makers and global citizens work together in *turning vision into action*.



DIVERSE ACTION-ORIENTED PROGRAMMING

The National Bioneers Conference offers wildly diverse landmark programming brimming with deep knowledge and wisdom, as well as many opportunities to participate and connect with the Bioneers community of leadership. Attend **Panels and Workshops** on Ecological Design, Climate Solutions, Clean Energy, Social Justice, Women's Leadership, Gender Reconciliation, Green Entrepreneurship, Community Resilience, Restorative Food Systems, Ecological Medicine, New Economics, Ecological Literacy Education, Beloved Community, Indie Media, Wildlife Conservation, Art & Social Change, and lots more!

Experience the rising tide of positive change cresting around the country and world, rooted in values of justice, equity, diversity, democracy and peace.

Explore the forefront of breakthrough ideas and practices in electrifying keynote talks, panels and workshops, often featuring "the greatest people you've never heard of."

Connect with leading-edge innovators and projects across a rich arc of fields, cultures and walks of life, and share your thoughts and experiences in Conversation Cafés, Councils, and participatory and experiential workshops.

Network with dynamic change-makers from across the country or from your neck of the woods, in themed networking sessions that lead to important professional and personal relationships.

Discover powerful opportunities and strategies for creating progressive change in your work, life and community.

Celebrate how great a difference one person can make, and how building community makes the difference. Grow your own new community!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

KEYNOTES AND PERFORMANCES
9:00am–1:00pm

Opening Remarks by **Bioneers Founders**
Kenny Ausubel, CEO, and Nina Simons, President



JASON MCLENNAN

*Living Buildings and
a Regenerative World*

The visionary founder of the Living Building Challenge illuminates the game-changing impacts of the world's most advanced and provocative green building certification program. He chronicles its core principles, its global influence on designers, builders, communities and educational systems, and its manifest progress transforming the interface between human habitats and the natural world into a virtuous cycle.

FRIDAY MORNING PERFORMANCES

Drumming by **Afia Walking Tree**
and **Deb Lane**

Opening performance:
R. Carlos Nakai, the world's premiere
performer of the Native American flute.

Performance by 'Slam Poet Harvester'
Tim Merry: Holding Up a Mirror
to the Moment.

Performance by **Climbing PoeTree**
Alix Garcia and Naima Penniman,
award-winning spoken word duo,
committed organizers and boundary-
breaking soul sisters.

Performance by **Rachel Bagby**:
Think...Act Vocally



Climbing PoeTree



NALINI NADKARNI
*Between Earth and Sky: Trees
as Silent Teachers in Strident
Times*

The "Queen of the Forest Canopy" has conducted unique scientific studies of trees for three decades on four continents, revealing what the complex, diverse biology of rainforests can teach us about human connections and dynamics. She believes we can learn from arboreal example to begin to hear and heal across our differences, and in turn conserve these invaluable planetary ecosystems and their life-giving functions.

ADDITIONAL MORNING PROGRAMMING

Youth Leadership Focus with Brower Youth Award winner,
Maya Salsedo | The Youth Food Bill of Rights.

Gender Reconciliation Exercise with **Will Keepin, Ph.D.**
and **Rev. Cynthia Brix**, Co-Directors of
Gender Reconciliation International



DAVID MCCONVILLE
*Cosmomimicry: Why the Universe
Matters*

Heeding Buckminster Fuller's counsel to "Start with the Universe," the visionary Board President of the Buckminster Fuller Institute explores the surprisingly practical ways that patterns and structures in the universe can inform design strategies for addressing today's "wicked" problems. We are not alone...

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS

2:45pm–4:15pm

The Leading Edges of Design for a Regenerative World.

Co-sponsored by the **Buckminster Fuller Institute (BFI)**. Hosted by **Elizabeth Thompson**, BFI Executive Director. With: **David McConville**, immersive media artist, BFI Board President; **Jason McLennan**, Living Building Challenge founder, winner of the 2012 Buckminster Fuller Challenge; **Jay Harman**, inventor, entrepreneur, founder of PAX Scientific, author of *The Shark's Paintbrush*.



Creativity and Improvisation in Leadership, Education and Sustainability.

An emergent conversation hosted by author and activist **Anneke Campbell**. With: **Nalini Nadkarni**, “the Queen of the Forest Canopy;” **Matthew Fox**, priest and theologian, leading exponent of Creation Spirituality; **Alfonso Montuori**, Director of the Masters Program in Transformative Leadership, California Institute of Integral Studies; **Rose von Thater Braan** (Tuscorora/Cherokee), co-founder of the Native American Academy.

Entrepreneurship: Mission-Driven Companies.

With: **Matthew Engelhart**, co-founder of **Café Gratitude** and **Gracias Madre**, co-author of *Sacred Commerce*; **John Roulac**, founder and CEO of **Nutiva**; **Mary Waldner** and **Dale Rodrigues**, founders of **Mary's Gone Crackers**.

Women as Democracy Builders: Reclaiming Our Commons from Corporate Power.

Hosted by author and activist **Anna Lappé**. With: **Leila Salazar-Lopez**, Program Director at Amazon Watch; **Kelle Louaillier**, Executive Director of Corporate Accountability International; **Lynne Twist**, Pachamama Alliance co-founder, Soul of Money Institute founder.

Tools for Transforming Education: Whole Child, Whole Person, Whole World.

Hosted by **Cleary Vaughan-Lee**, Education Coordinator for the Global Oneness Project. With: **Mark Collin** and **Chuck Fisher** of Dovetail Learning. *Interactive/Experiential*

Building Community Resilience from Detroit to Japan.

With: **Gloria Rivera**, Great Lakes Bioneers Detroit Coordinator; **Carolyn Stayton**, Co-Executive Director, Transition U.S.; **Desa Van Laarhoven**, Executive Director, Marion Institute and co-producer of Bioneers by the Bay; **Bob Stilger**, Co-President, New Stories.

Indigenous Forum From Conflict to Collaboration in Indigenous Territories: Tribal Strategies for Resistance and Restoration.

With: **Darcie Houck** (Mohawk and Ottawa), partner in Native American law firm of Fredericks, Peebles and Morgan LLP; **Melissa Nelson** (Turtle Mountain Anishinaabe), President of The Cultural Conservancy, Professor of American Indian Studies at San Francisco State, and co-organizer of the Bioneers Indigenous Forum; **Octaviana Trujillo** (Pascua Yaqui), founding Chair of the Department of Applied Indigenous Studies at Northern Arizona University; **Jihan Gearon**, Executive Director at Black Mesa Water Coalition; and **Tony Skrelunas**, founder of the Grand Canyon Trust Native America Program.

Cultivating Women's Leadership: Alumnae Reunion and Sampler.

Hosted by **Nina Simons** and **Toby Herzlich**, co-founders of Cultivating Women's Leadership trainings, with co-facilitators **Sarah Crowell**, Artistic Director of Destiny Arts; **Rachel Bagby**, Improvisational Vocal & Social Artist. *Interactive/Experiential*

Youth Leadership: Recognizing The Rights of Nature.

With: **Debra Weistar**, Finding the Good and Synergia Learning Ventures.

Council: Restoring and Honoring the Sacred Feminine and Sacred Masculine.

Facilitated by **Iarion Merculieff**, Aleut traditional messenger, and **Sharon Shay Sloan**, Council trainer and community steward. *Interactive/Experiential (Double session)*

Wiser Together World Café: Intergenerational Dialogue and Mentoring.

With: **David Shaw**, Common Ground Center, UC Santa Cruz. *Interactive*

Networking:

Facilitated daily networking focused on specific themes and/or geographic regions to build connection, learning and leverage in our fields. Themes TBA.



**WOMEN'S
LEADERSHIP:
Diverse women's
leadership that
is informed by
practices, inspired
by what we most
love and seek to
protect, and that
integrates social
justice with the
environment, with
many opportunities
for direct personal
connection,
experiential learning
and interaction.**

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS

4:30pm–6:00pm

Connecting Across Difference Through Indigenous Learning Practices.

An emergent conversation hosted by **Melissa Nelson** (Turtle Mountain Anishinaabe), President of the Cultural Conservancy/professor at SFSU; with **Rose von Thater Braan** (Tuscorora/Cherokee), co-founder/Director of the Native American Academy; **Jeannette Armstrong** (Okanagan), Executive Director of the En'Owkin Centre.

Narrative Medicine: Building Peace Through Understanding How Others Perceive Their Worlds.

With path-finding psychotherapist and Narrative Medicine facilitator **Shari Foos**, who creates workshops to heal organizations, businesses and at-risk youth. *Interactive/Experiential.*

The Art and Tradition of Fermentation: Community, Culture and Evolution.

With: **Sandor Katz**, author of *The Art of Fermentation* and other cutting-edge books on cultured foods.



The Commons of Healthcare: Resilience as the Anchor for Health.

Hosted by **Charlotte Brody**, Vice President of Health Initiatives, Blue Green Alliance. With: **Jamie Harvie**, Executive Director, Institute for a Sustainable Future, co-founder, Commons Health Care Network; **Nancy Sudak**, M.D. ABIHM, Executive Director, American Board of Integrative Holistic Medicine; **David Zuckerman**, Research Associate, The Democracy Collaborative.



Walking Your Talk in the World: Exploring Embodied Transformation.

With **Suki Munsell**, Ph.D. *Interactive/Experiential*

Resist, Restore, Re-imagine: Greening Detroit with Resilience.

Hosted by **Nikki Henderson**, Executive Director, People's Grocery. With: **Gloria Rivera**, Great Lakes Bioneers Detroit Coordinator; **Malik Yakini**, Executive Director of The Detroit Black Community Food Security Network; **Lottie Spady**, Detroit activist.

Indigenous Forum Mother Earth – Father Sky: Voices from the Spirit!

Hosted by: **Tom B.K. Goldtooth** (Dine'/Dakota), Executive Director, Indigenous Environmental Network. With: **Eddie Benton-Benai**, (Anishinabe Fish Clan), Grand Chief of the Three Fires Midewiwin Lodge; **Mona Polacca** (Hopi, Havasupai and Tewa), indigenous elder stateswoman, International Council of 13 Indigenous Grandmothers.



RESTORATIVE FOOD SYSTEMS:

**The growing edges
of restorative food
systems, both
practical and
visionary. You'll
learn from and
connect with top
eco-farmers and
food system
pathfinders.**

Youth Leadership: Poetry Slam.

Hosted by poet **Josh Healy**.

Council: Restoring and Honoring the Sacred Feminine and Sacred Masculine.

Interactive, experiential (Double session, continued from 2:45pm)

Conversation Café. TBA.

Networking. TBA.

FRIDAY ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMING

Indigenous Forum. California Cultural Art Demonstrations by L.Frank Manriquez (Tongva/Ajachmem) and Ethan Castro (Pomo/Wailaki)

Trashion Show by Truckee High School's Envirolution Club

Whidbey Storydome: Transforming the Way We Learn Through the Power of Visual Storytelling

FRIDAY Evening Activities:
Film Showings – TBA

SATURDAY OCTOBER 20

Indigenous Forum Special Event:
Native American Sunrise Ceremony 6:00am

KEYNOTES AND PERFORMANCES 9:00am–1:00pm

Opening Remarks by **Kenny Ausubel**



Introduction by Nina Simons

JANINE BENYUS

The Biomimicry Network Effect: What Will We Solve Together?

If we collectively consulted nature to solve a few key issues, imagine what a difference we could make! The acclaimed biologist, innovation consultant, and author Janine Benyus illuminates how the Biomimicry community might collaborate, with nature's help, on a short list of challenges that just can't wait. She will translate the latest scientific findings on Biomimicry, heralded by the Harvard Business Review as "one of the 20 breakthrough ideas in business," and on biological networks into an action plan for anyone wanting to spread good ideas organically.



Introduction by Melissa Nelson,
The Cultural Conservancy

TOM GOLDTOOTH

Stopping the Privatization of Nature and Commodification of Mother Earth.

The Executive Director of the Indigenous Environmental Network weaves together the voices of Indigenous peoples who are asking the world to reevaluate our relationship to Mother Earth, to turn away from destroying, privatizing

and commodifying nature, and to turn instead to indigenous wisdom with "indigeneity." We can fashion sustainable solutions and re-sacralize our relationship to Mother Earth.



Introduction by
Nikki Henderson, *People's Grocery*

PHAEDRA ELLIS-LAMKINS

Motherhood and Leadership

The Executive Director of Green For All shares her deeply personal journey of how the experience of becoming a mother has created a new sense of urgency in her work to create a healthier and more just planet. She reveals how the challenges of parenting have stretched and transformed her approach to leadership.



Introduction by Brock Dolman,
Occidental Arts & Ecology Center

DARREN DOHERTY

Regrarianism: Re-booting Agriculture for the Next 10,000 Years.

Large-scale modern agriculture is the world's largest industry and the most ecologically destructive human activity. One of the world's most brilliant and accomplished Permaculture designers who has worked on projects on four continents will describe how "Regrarianism" can reverse this destruction and usher in a new regenerative future for our food systems.



Introduction by Kenny Ausubel

DANNY GLOVER

The Long View For the Short Now: Reimagining Citizenship, Democracy and Nature

The beloved actor and progressive elder shares the long view of how change happens, and how we are called upon today as never before to reclaim our rights and responsibilities as citizens. From South Africa to Detroit and Birmingham, he scans the horizon of the arc of justice and the convergence of the movements to restore justice and nature.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMING

Youth Leadership Focus
with Brower Youth Award
winner **Asa Needle** |
Toxic Soil Busters:
Urban Soil Remediation.

SATURDAY MORNING PERFORMANCES

Drumming by **Afia Walking Tree**
and **Deb Lane**

Performance by **Climbing PoeTree**
Soul sisters **Alix Garcia** and
Naima Penniman perform a
tapestry of spoken-word poetry and
movement.

Performance by "Slam Poet
Harvester" **Tim Merry**: Holding
Up a Mirror to the Moment.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS

2:45pm-4:15pm

Beloved Community: An Invitation.

An emergent conversation hosted by **Connie Cagampang Heller**, co-founder, Linked Fate Fund for Justice. With: **John a. Powell**, Executive Director of the Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society at UC Berkeley; **Richard Healey**, Executive Director, Grassroots Policy Project; **Catherine Lerza**, philanthropic advisor, organizer and consultant to Groundswell Fund.

Redesigning the Corporation and its Supply Chain for Social and Environmental Values.

Hosted by **Andrew Revkin**, Senior Fellow at Pace University's Academy for Applied Environmental Studies, *NY Times* blog *dotearth*. With: **Tensie Whelan**, President, Rainforest Alliance; **Manuel Rodriguez**, Senior Vice President, Government & International Affairs and Corporate Responsibility Officer, Chiquita Brands International, Inc; **Jonathan Atwood**, Vice President, Sustainable Living and Corporate Communications, Unilever.

“Mother Jones” Presents: Media Mojo for Social Change.

Hosted by **Steve Katz**, Publisher of *Mother Jones*. With: **Danny Glover**, renowned actor and lifelong activist; **Katie Galloway**, director and producer of the award-winning film “Better This World”; other TBA.

Climate Change and Agriculture.

With: **Darren Doherty**, master Permaculturist; **Renata Brillinger**, California Climate and Agriculture Network; **Ann Thrupp**, Manager of Sustainability and Organic Development at Fetzer and Bonterra Vineyards.

Spine of the Continent: Wildlife Corridors, Biodiversity and Climate Change.

Hosted by **Mary Ellen Hannibal**, author of *The Spine of the Continent*. With: **Healy Hamilton**, Director, Center for Applied Biodiversity Informatics

at the California Academy of Sciences; **Adina Merenlender**, conservation biologist with UC Berkeley's College of Natural Resources; **Justin Brashares**, Associate Professor of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation at UC Berkeley.

Leadership Lessons from the Living Earth.

With: **Toby Herzlich**, founder, Biomimicry for Social Innovation and co-founder, Cultivating Women's Leadership trainings; and accompanied by a host of natural mentors. *Interactive/Experiential*

Indigenous Forum The Native Artist's Voice: A Commentary on Social and Environmental Issues.

Hosted by: **Reuben Roqueni**, Program Director at the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation. With: **Rulan Tangen** (Metis), dancer/choreographer; **William Wilson** (Navajo), photographer; **Kade Twist** (Cherokee), multi-disciplinary artist; **Tracy Rector** (Seminole), filmmaker and producer.

Spirit Moving into Form: The Sacred Dance of the Feminine and the Masculine in Today's World.

With: **Pele Rouge Chadima**, **FireHawk Hulin**, **Lana Holmes**, co-founders of Timeless Earth Wisdom, Inc. *Interactive/Experiential*

Youth Leadership: Peaceful Warriors.

Here's how to do violence prevention through movement,

games, role-playing and conversation (all ages). Led by: **Sarah Crowell**, Artistic Director, Destiny Arts Youth Performance Company; **Rashidi Omari**, hip-hop instructor; **Destiny Arts students**.

Council: Community of Mentors: Intergenerational Reciprocity, Guidance and Mutual Exchange.

Facilitated by **Ilarion Merculieff** and **Sharon Shay Sloan**. *Interactive/Experiential*



Wiser Together World Café: Intergenerational Dialogue and Mentoring.

With: **David Shaw**, Common Ground Center, UC Santa Cruz.

Herbwalk: The Medicinal and Edible Landscape.

With master herbalist **Kami McBride**.

Networking. TBA.



THE INDIGENOUS FORUM:

**Native-led, the vision,
voices and leadership
of First Peoples
at the leading U.S.
cross-cultural hub of
indigenous people and
non-Native allies.**

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAMS

4:30pm–6:00pm

The Crossroads of Art and Social Change.

*Performances plus
discussion.*

With: **John Densmore**, iconic drummer of the legendary rock group, the Doors, author of *The Doors: Unhinged*, and *Riders on the Storm*; **Climbing PoeTree**, award-winning spoken-word activists; other TBA.

Building the Movement for a New Economy.

With: **Phaedra Ellis-Lamkins**, Executive Director, Green for All; **Bob Massie**, President of the New Economics Institute; **David Levine**, co-founder and CEO of the American Sustainable Business Council.

The Healing Potential of Cannabidiol, MDMA, and Entheogens.

Hosted by **J.P. Harpignies**, Bioneers associate producer. With: **Martin Lee**, Director of Project CBD, a cannabis science information service, author of *Smoke Signals: A Social History of Marijuana - Medical, Recreational and Scientific*; **Amy Emerson**, Director of Clinical Research at the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS); **Ralph Metzner**, legendary psychedelic research pioneer.

Biodynamic Farming: Way Beyond Organic.

With: **Gena Nonini**, third generation farmer, owner/operator of Marian Farms, a premiere biodynamic farm and distillery in Fresno, CA.

A Hero's Quest: Tapping Our Courage and Unleashing Our Ingenuity to Address Climate Change.

With: **Betsy Taylor**, Breakthrough Strategies & Solutions; **John Neffinger**, KNP Communications.

Exploring “Situatedness” and Power.

Hosted by **Connie Cagampang Heller**, co-founder, Linked Fate Fund for Justice. With: **Richard Healey**, Executive Director, Grassroots Policy Project; **Jeannette Armstrong**, Ph.D. (Syilx Okanagan), traditional Okanagan knowledge keeper, co-founder and Executive Director of En'owkin Centre; **Claire Jean Kim**, Associate Professor of Political Science and Asian American Studies, UC Irvine.

Indigenous Forum Guardians of the Waters: Native Youth Speak Out on Arts, Media, and Cultural Health.

With: **Nicola Wagenberg** (Colombian), Vice-President and Youth Director for the Guardians of the Waters Youth program of The Cultural Conservancy (TCC); **Valarie Ordoñez Perez** (Salvadoran-Mexican), artist, activist, TCC Youth Coordinator for the Guardians of the Waters Youth program; **Mateo Hinojosa** (Bolivian-American), documentary filmmaker, educator, media director and teacher at TCC.

Gender Reconciliation: Breakthrough in Healing Gender-Based Violence.

With: **Will Keepin**, Ph.D. and **Rev. Cynthia Brix**, Co-Directors of the Satyana Institute and Gender Reconciliation International. *Interactive/
Experiential*

Youth Leadership: Freedom Fighting While Defending the Earth

With: Movement Generation's **Ellen Choy** and **Mateo Nube**.

Council: Weaving the Fabric of Community.

With: **Sharon Shay Sloan** and **Ilarion Merculieff**. *Interactive/
Experiential*

SATURDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES

Seed Exchange: 6:30pm.

Hosted by: Occidental Arts and Ecology Center, Tesuque Pueblo Farm, Richmond Grows Seed Lending Library, Living Seed Company, and Sustainable Seed Company.

Film Showings – TBA

Caroline Casey: Change the Metaphor - Change the Culture!

The popular radio host and stand-up astrologer invokes the “Green Fire of Reverent Indigenuity Rising from the Rubble – and that we be agents of responsive cool in a hot reactive world.” 8:45pm – 9:45pm

Dance Party with DJ
Dragonfly 10:00pm – midnight

Conversation Café. TBA

Networking. TBA.



NETWORK
BUILDING:
Professional
and personal
connections
with people
engaged with
the issues about
which you're
most passionate,
where you can
make important
local, regional
and national
connections and
form relationships
that last a
lifetime.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 21

KEYNOTES AND PERFORMANCES

9:00am–1:00pm

Opening Remarks by **Nina Simons**



Introduction by Nina Simons

ILARION MERCULIEFF

The Womb At The Center of the Universe: Women Will Lead Us Through This Pivotal Time

This Aleut traditional messenger offers indigenous perspectives – bringing ancestral wisdom to guide us through modern times. The elders say that the leadership of women is paramount if we are to successfully transform civilization to conserve Earth's capacity to sustain Life. Ilarion has served his people, and other indigenous peoples locally, nationally, and internationally for 35 years in diverse leadership capacities, including as the first Alaska Native Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Commerce and Economic Development.



Introduction by Marco Krapels, Rabobank

BILLY PARISH

100% Clean Energy For and By The People

This leading young changemaker-turned-entrepreneur is showing how, in this generation, we can shift from fossil fuels to a world 100% powered by clean energy, and we can do it in a way that makes all of us richer, healthier and happier. The only way it will happen is if we get involved and take power into our own hands – literally and figuratively. Solar Mosaic, the company he co-founded, is employing revolutionary crowdfunding techniques to democratize investment opportunities and spread distributed-energy rapidly.

ADDITIONAL MORNING PROGRAMMING

Youth Leadership Focus

with Brower Youth Award winner,

Kyle Thiermann | Surfing for Change

Closing remarks by **Nina Simons and Kenny Ausubel**

DEKILA CHUNGYALPA

Faiths for Conservation: The Hope of A New Environmental Movement.



The Sikkim-born Director of the World Wildlife Fund's Sacred Earth program engages with faith leaders and institutions in Asia and around the world to address environmental decline and restore communities. Environmental advisor to His Holiness the 17th Karmapa, she works with communities in the Himalayas, the Mekong, East Africa and the Amazon, and helps mobilize Buddhist and interfaith collaborations for healing the Earth.

SUNDAY MORNING PERFORMANCES

Drumming by **Afia Walking Tree and Deb Lane**

Performance by **Climbing PoeTree**

Performance by **"Slam Poet Harvester" Tim Merry:**
Holding Up a Mirror to the Moment

Closing performance by **R. Carlos Nakai**

SUNDAY LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

Indigenous Forum. California Cultural Art Demonstrations by Ed Willie (Coast Miwok/Pomo) and Kathy Wallace (Yurok/Karuk/Hupa/Mohawk)

Whidbey Storydome: Transforming the Way We Learn Through the Power of Visual Storytelling

More TBA.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS

2:45pm–4:15pm

Spiritual Ecology: A Spiritual Response to the Ecological Crisis.

With: **Dekilah Chungyalpa**, Director of the World Wildlife Fund's Sacred Earth program; **Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee**, renowned Sufi teacher and author; **Joanna Macy**, legendary activist and scholar of systems theory, deep ecology and Buddhism.

Disruptive Financing Innovations for Distributed Energy and Sustainability.

With: **Billy Parish**, co-founder and President of the solar energy platform Solar Mosaic; **Marco Krapels**, Executive Vice President, Rabobank, NA; **Angelina Galiteva**, founder and Board President, Renewables 100 Policy Institute.

Moving from Sustainababble to True Sustainability (Or Getting Ready for the Collapse if We Can't).

Co-sponsored with the **Worldwatch Institute**. Hosted by: **Robert Engelman**, President, Worldwatch. With: **Erik Assadourian**, Senior Fellow, Worldwatch; **David W. Orr**, legendary eco-literacy pioneer, master educator, national sustainability leader; **Annie Leonard**, activist extraordinaire, creator of *The Story of Stuff*.

Indigenous Forum.

Eat Your Heritage: Chamorro Foodways from the Island of Guam.

Sponsored by the **Cultural Conservancy's Mino-Niibi Fund for Indigenous Cultures**. Part of **Guam Humanities Council's (GHC) Eat Your Heritage Tour**. Hosted by: **Kimberlee Kihleng**, Ph.D., GHC Executive Director. With: **Monaeka Flores**, GHC Project Coordinator; **Peter Duenas**, chef and restaurateur, the most respected Chamorro chef in Guam, a leader in promoting native foods; **Bill McDonald**, founder of the Farmers Cooperative, leader in Guam's local food movement.

Gender Equality and Finding Balance: Diverse Approaches.

An emergent conversation hosted by **Nina Simons**, Bioneers; With: **Iarion Merculieff**, Aleut traditional messenger; **Pat McCabe**, Dine (Navajo) writer, artist, activist, speaker and cultural liaison; **Will Keepin**, Co-Director of the Satyana Institute and Gender Reconciliation International; **Pele Rouge Chadima**, co-founder, Timeless Earth Wisdom, Inc.

Transforming Our Relationship to White Privilege to Co-Create Beloved Community.

With: **Yeshi Neumann**, Rockwood Leadership Institute. *Experiential/Interactive*

Youth Leadership: Meet the Brower Youth Award Winners.

Presented by New Leaders Initiative at **Earth Island Institute**.

Council: Initiation, Adulthood and the Resurgence of Community-Supported Rites of Passage.

With: **Sharon Shay Sloan** and **Orland Bishop**, Executive Director of ShadeTree Multi-cultural Foundation, Indaba leader and community healer. *Interactive/Experiential*.

Campaign Connection: Mobilizing Women for Climate Solutions.

Presented by *Women's Earth and Climate Caucus and International Women's Earth and Climate Initiative*. With: **Osprey Orielle Lake**, **Sally Ranney**, **Claire Greensfelder**, **Atossa Soltani** of **Amazon Watch**; and a representative from the **Indigenous Environmental Network**.

Paths to Healing Around Family and Money: An Intergenerational Emergent Conversation.

With: **Eileen Rockefeller**, impact philanthropist, founding chair of Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, and author of *Being a Rockefeller, Becoming Myself*; her son, **Daniel Growald**, impact-driven

entrepreneur, co-founder, Aethos Energy. Hosted by renowned doctor and author **Rachel Naomi Remen, MD**.

Herbwalk

with **Kevin Spelman**, PhD, MCPP, scientist, clinician, educator, herbalist and writer, and renowned herbalist **Autumn Summers**.

Conversation Café. TBA.

Networking. TBA.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS

4:30pm–6:00pm

Mixers and networking

Indigenous Forum. Youth and Indigenous Leader Talking Circle



INTERACTIVE & EXPERIENTIAL PROGRAMS:

**Abundant opportunities to
share your voice, speak
your truth, and delve
into deep discussions in
Conversation Cafés, Councils
and numerous participatory
sessions.**

POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP INTENSIVE

Monday, October 21, 2013
10am-4:30pm

From the Culture of Soil to Cultured Foods.

An astonishing farm tour and fermented foods workshop with master farmer and Chez Panisse supplier **Bob Cannard**, and the acclaimed fermented foods revivalist **Sandor Katz**, author of *The Art of Fermentation*. \$175 (Includes lunch and bus transportation from Embassy Suites, San Rafael)

MORE YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

Youth Orientation:

Dinner and a Council session

Thursday, October 17
5pm-7:30pm

Digital Storytelling: Synergia Learning Ventures' Mobile Interactive Classroom.

Community of Mentors: Opportunity for youth to meet in small mentoring groups with Bioneers presenters.

Singing Tree Youth-led Collective Mural Project facilitated by Laurie Marshall. All are welcome to participate and express their vision in a collectively created mural.

PRICING & REGISTRATION

For your convenience, we have simplified the conference pricing structure and registration process. We offer only two simple tiers of pricing this year: Early Registration and Late Registration. No more confusion about fluctuating price points between now and the conference – everything is upfront and straightforward, allowing attendees to register in advance and book travel early.

Early Registration entitles attendees to special pre-order pricing on the 2013 Bioneers Keynotes DVD set, as well as other media 'Collections' that we'll be releasing this year!

ALL-DAY PASSES. Watch Keynote talks and performances, 9am-1pm (with mid-morning break) within the 2,000 seat Marin Center Veteran's Memorial Auditorium. This venue is a traditional auditorium with theater-style, padded seating and the speaker is on a center stage. Seating is unassigned. *Dress is casual but the VMA atmosphere is formal and does not allow for food, beverage or noise.*

Keynote Passes include access to morning Keynotes / Plenary Sessions and afternoon Breakouts, Panels, Workshops & Activities. Online Keynote Pass registration is available through October 10, 2013.

- **3-Day Pass: \$395** | \$475 after Sep 8
- **2-Day Pass: \$325** | \$410 after Sep 8
- **1-Day Pass: \$175** | \$225 after Sep 8

HALF-DAY PASSES. Half-day passes permit access to Breakouts, Panels, Workshops & Activities after 1:30pm on individual days.

- **Half-Day Pass – each day: \$60** | \$75 after Sep 8

GROUP PASSES. If you self-register 6 (six) or more people as a general Group, you will receive a **20% discount** off the standard 1, 2, and 3-Day Pass options. General Group Registration is available through September 30, 2013.

STUDENT, EDUCATOR, SENIOR, YOUTH RATES.

Bioneers offers special conference advanced registration rates to individual Students, Educators, Seniors and Youth *with proof of qualification*:

- Students and Youth, age 14 – 24, with valid school issued ID
- Educators with valid institution issued faculty ID
- Seniors, age 62+, with valid government issued ID

SESY Registration Rates:

- \$275 3-Day Conference Pass
- \$200 2-Day Conference Pass
- \$105 1-Day Conference Pass

SESY rates are available until September 30, 2013.

POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP INTENSIVE.

OCTOBER 21

From the Culture of Soil to Cultured Foods

- \$175 (includes lunch and bus transportation from Embassy Suites, San Rafael to Petaluma and return.)

YOUTH AND EDUCATION GROUPS

In an effort to encourage and promote holistic education, Bioneers offers rates to groups of young people, students, and educators. To learn more about qualifying, please visit the conference website, or email Youth Groups: youth@bioneers.org or Education Groups: outreach@bioneers.org.

CEUs. Bioneers has partnered with Dominican University as well as the Institute for Holistic Healing Studies at San Francisco State University (SFSU) and the SFSU School of Nursing to provide Continuing Education Units for educators and nurses.

HOW TO REGISTER

Visit www.conference.bioneers.org to register online using Visa, Mastercard or Amex. If you'd like to pay via check, you may download a registration form online and mail your registration information with payment. Or email registration@bioneers.org to have a form mailed to you.

Be sure to join our mailing list to receive conference updates! Just visit our www.conference.bioneers.org site to sign up.

We look forward to seeing you in San Rafael!

Programming is subject to change.

BIONEERS NATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Let's start *Turning Vision Into Action* NOW!

Scholarships ensure diversity and the participation of emerging and future leaders at our annual conference. **We want and need to include the voices of deserving youth, students, educators, community leaders, activists and organizers who simply cannot afford to attend.** Their attendance and contribution to the National Bioneers Conference ensures that our movement for social and environmental change represents *all* members of the Bioneers Community.

We need your help to make it happen. Please invest in the continuing progress and vitality of the Bioneers Community by contributing to the conference scholarship fund today. Submit your tax-deductible donation safely and securely by visiting: www.bioneers.thankyou4caring.org, or by calling 1.877.BIONEER to speak with Candy Carlson at ext. 104.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

A limited number of full and partial National Bioneers Conference Scholarships are available to deserving and underserved students, youth, educators, community activists and organizers. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need and the benefit of attendance. For information regarding the application process, please visit www.conference.bioneers.org/scholarships.



ABOUT BIONEERS

Collective Heritage Institute

Founded in 1990 by social innovators Kenny Ausubel and Nina Simons, Bioneers is a Santa Fe, NM based national non-profit organization. We proudly produce the acclaimed National Bioneers Conference, *Bioneers: Revolution from the Heart of Nature* public radio series, and foster the Beaming Bioneers Network of community action groups.

We stand at the threshold of a singular passage in the human experiment: To re-imagine how to live on Earth in ways that honor the web of life, each other and future generations. To move from breakdown to breakthrough, the coming years will be the most important in the history of human civilization.

The overarching mission of Bioneers is cultivating global citizens by connecting networks and advancing personal and formal education of social, cultural and environmental issues. We identify progressive yet nature-honoring solutions to rising challenges of instability, inequality, and unsustainable growth, and disseminate this knowledge via independent media, events, and community action networks.

Bioneers is positioned to focus our efforts on three core interdependent initiatives that will advance our mission:

Knowledge Sharing

Expanding our comprehensive independent media profile as an original and aggregated content producer, publisher and distributor.

Building Community Resilience Networks

Cultivating a learning and action network of communities that act as a living laboratory of communities of practice growing local and regional resilience.

Full-Spectrum Leadership Development

Building a community that brings together leaders and mentors from diverse fields and backgrounds, and supports the leadership of women, people of color and youth.

We invite you to learn more about our programs and initiatives by visiting www.bioneers.org.

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