

**Living and Working with Purpose in a  
Time of Climate Disruption**

# **Talking Truth: Finding Your Voice Around the Climate Crisis**

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**SPRING 2017 SERIES**

**FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

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unless otherwise indicated.

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## **HOLDING EARTH: Mindful Climate Action Mondays, 1/30-5/8, 3:00-3:45 p.m., Room 1638**

Weekly 30-minute mindfulness practice, followed by sharing of resources, action-based opportunities, and ideas.

## **FINDING WORK WITH MEANING IN THE ANTHROPOCENE: Panel Discussion Thursday, 2/9, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Room 2601**

Gain insights into your personal journey toward forward-thinking work in sustainable living and community building within the fields of education, entrepreneurialism, and green building.

### **PANEL:**

Ofer Sharone, asst. professor, Dept. of Sociology

Sara Schley, co-founder of *Seed Systems*

Ezra Small, UMass Sustainability Manager

Sarah Hebert G'13, *Trinity Solar* employee

John Fabel, UMass Amherst building and

construction technology adjunct faculty member

## **MEETING OUR ANCESTORS: Exploring the Future Through the Present Moment**

**Friday, 2/24, 12:30-2:00 p.m.**

**CAMPUS CENTER ROOM 917**

A sacred "deep time" practice inspired by the work of activist and Buddhist scholar Joanna Macy. We will consider how we might act like ancestors of future generations and reinvigorate our commitment to climate justice action. The group is facilitated by Tim Beaucage, graduate advisor/teaching associate at UMass Amherst.

## **BEYOND DOOM AND GLOOM: Including Solutions to Climate Change in Teaching Wednesday, 3/1, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Room 2601**

Live webinar for faculty presented by the *Disciplinary Association Network for Sustainability*. Access expert guidance and curricular materials to engage students in current and future solutions. This webinar is applicable to any course, in any discipline; discussion to follow.

## **FINDING YOUR LIFE PURPOSE:**

### **Career Workshop**

**Thursday, 3/2, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Room 2601**

Reflective writing, group discussion and practical steps to support career exploration. The group is led by contemplative career coach and mindfulness teacher Jennifer Earls, M.Ed., *Dance with Life Consulting*.

## **POETRY READING AND CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP**

**Thursday, 3/23, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Room 2601**

Featuring Don Ogden, author of *Bad Atmosphere*. Free copy of Ogden's book to the first 20 participants to arrive.

## **GREEN BUILDING TOUR**

**Thursday 4/13, 4:00-5:30 p.m.**

**Meet in the Lobby of the Du Bois Library.**

Get the inside stories of the new Design Building, renovated Old Chapel, South College addition, Integrative Learning Center and others. Led by Ludmilla Pavlova, senior campus planner.

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***More opportunities to find your voice!***

### **A CLIMATE FOR CHANGE: Research, Reflection and Action Around Climate Change Saturday, 4/1, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Lower Level, Du Bois Library**

Participate in a reflective writing exercise as part of the Libraries' spring Climate Change event, which will also include a Sustainability Showcase, speakers, and refreshments. The full event is from **4-7 p.m.**

### **TOWN OF AMHERST SUSTAINABILITY FESTIVAL Saturday, 4/22, 10:00-4:00 p.m. Amherst Town Common**

Find *Talking Truth* in the Climate Transformer area.

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