

Keynote Speakers for the *XVI International Conference of the Society for Human Ecology*

Jill M. Belsky



Jill M. Belsky is Professor of Rural and Environmental Social Science and Director of the Bolle Center for People and Forests at The University of Montana. She received her Ph.D from Cornell University in Development Sociology with an emphasis in Natural Resource and Agricultural Sociology. Dr. Belsky has worked over the past 20 years as a teacher, researcher and consultant in Asia, Central America and the Rocky Mountain region of the United States. The common theme that unites her work around the world is a focus on sustainable livelihoods and the multiple social and ecological forces that influence them. Her current projects involve assisting with the development of an integrative conservation educational program for a new environmental studies and forestry institute in Bhutan, and participatory research with local watershed groups in Western Montana on community participation in landscape level conservation and responding to corporate timber divestment and forest ownership change. The title of her talk is, “Reflections on

Integrative Conservation Education in Bhutan and Beyond.”

Dave Forman

Dave Foreman has worked as a wilderness conservationist since 1971. From 1973 to 1980, he worked for The Wilderness Society as Southwest Regional Representative in New Mexico and as Director of Wilderness Affairs in Washington, DC. He was a member of the board of trustees for the New Mexico Chapter of The Nature Conservancy from 1976 to 1980. From 1982 to 1988, he was editor of the *Earth First! Journal*. Foreman is a founder of The Wildlands Project and was its Chairman from 1991-2003 and executive editor or publisher of *Wild Earth* from 1991-2003. He is now the Executive Director and Senior Fellow of The Rewilding Institute, a conservation “think tank” advancing



ideas of continental conservation. Dave speaks widely on conservation issues and is author of *The Lobo Outback Funeral Home* (a novel), *Confessions of an Eco-Warrior*, and *The Big Outside* (with Howie Wolke). His new book, *Rewilding North America*, was published in 2004. He writes a biweekly Internet column “Around the Campfire.” He received the 1996 Paul Petzoldt Award for Excellence in Wilderness Education and was named by *Audubon Magazine* in 1998 as one of the 100 Champions of Conservation of the 20th Century. For more information see www.rewilding.org.

Peter H. Kahn, Jr.



Peter H. Kahn, Jr. is Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology and Director of the Human Interaction with Nature and Technological Systems Laboratory at the University of Washington. He received his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley in 1988. His books include *The Human Relationship with Nature: Development and Culture* (MIT Press, 1999) and *Children and Nature: Psychological, Sociocultural, and Evolutionary Investigations* (MIT Press, 2002, edited with Stephen Kellert). His publications have appeared in such journals as *Child Development*, *Developmental*

Psychology, *Journal of Environmental Psychology*, *Journal of Systems Software*, and *Human-Computer Interaction*. His research projects are currently funded by The National Science Foundation (<http://faculty.washington.edu/pkahn/>). The title of his talk is, “Technological Nature: Adaptation and the Future of Human Life.”

John B. Robinson

John Robinson is a professor with the Institute for Resources, Environment, and Sustainability, and the Department of Geography, at the University of British Columbia. He is currently directing research programs looking at the intersection of climate change mitigation, adaptation and sustainability; the use of visualization, modeling and citizen engagement to explore sustainable futures; sustainable buildings and urban design; creating private/public/NGO and research sector partnerships for sustainability; and generally the intersection of sustainability, social and technological change, behaviour change, and community engagement processes. His major current project is trying to get the Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability (CIRS) built and operating. Dr. Robinson is a member of the BC Climate Action Team, the BC Hydro External Advisory Committee on Electricity Conservation and Efficiency, and the Vancouver



Climate Leadership Council, on the Board of the Sustainable Cities Foundation and the Pembina Institute, a member of the Steering Group of HELIO International, and on the Editorial Boards of the journals *Integrated Assessment*, *Ecology and Society*, *Building Research and Information*, and the *Journal of Industrial Ecology*. He has been a Lead Author in the last three reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. The title of his talk is, “Being Undisciplined On and Off Campus: Issue-Based Interdisciplinarity and the Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability (CIRS).”

Victoria Sturtevant



Victoria Sturtevant has taught sociology and environmental studies at Southern Oregon University since 1980. She received her Ph.D from Cornell University in Development Sociology and studies social dimensions of forest management, particularly community involvement in social assessment, ecological monitoring, wildfire planning and collaborative stewardship. Currently she works with regional groups such as the Southern Oregon Small Diameter Collaborative, the Alliance of Forest Workers and Harvesters, and the Applegate Partnership; she sits on the board of Resource Innovation Group. In the 1990’s she participated in two large ecosystem assessments, Forest Ecosystem Management Assessment Team (FEMAT) and Sierra Nevada Ecosystem Project (SNEP), examining

community capacity to adapt to new federal forest policies. She has contributed to various workshops, GTRs and books on collaboration, community assessment and wildfire planning; co-edited a book, *Forest Community Connections*; and published articles in *Society and Natural Resources*, *Journal of Forestry* and *Journal of Community Development*. The title of her talk is “Social Transformations of Forest-based Communities in the Pacific Northwest.”

Special Event: A Welcome from the Lummi Nation.

In conjunction with the Thursday evening banquet, there will be a special welcoming by members of the Lummi Nation – led by Darrell Hillaire. Darrell has been an elected member of the Lummi Nation Council for the past ten years. Four of those years he served as Chairman of the Lummi Nation. Under his leadership the Tribe entered a tremendous expansion of its educational, enforcement, protective and treatment services. Darrell is the proud parent of two adult children Tony and Tahnee and the proud grandparent of two grandsons. His family and his extended family are most important to him. He is part of a large Lummi Nation Family, raised on the Lummi Reservation near Bellingham, WA. He sought and received traditional teachings and has participated in traditional spiritual activities throughout his life. Both of his parents were active in Tribal politics and were recognized as National Indians Leaders in their time. Darrell is an active member of the Council and is still guiding the continuing development of a Recovery

Community for members of the Lummi Nation through the CMAD Initiative. He was recently the principle person behind the meeting between Lummi leaders and the Dalai Lama.