



POSTER CONTEST

ONLINE Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Poster Contest

FSU Students in ART 207 Graphic Design

Frostburg State University invites you to participate in this year's Reduce, Reuse, Recycle poster contest, which highlights the talent and creativity of students in ART 207 Graphic Design. To help communicate environmental awareness for FSU's celebration of Earth Week, students designed posters for this contest. But this year comes with a new twist: students are using an AI Image Generator as part of the ideation process. To view and vote for student-created environmental posters, or for other information about Focus Frostburg, visit

www.facebook.com/frostburglglg. People can vote on Facebook by visiting FSU's LGLG Facebook page

www.facebook.com/frostburglglg). **Voting begins on Wednesday, April 19. Voting ends midnight on Sunday evening, April 23. Winners will be announced Monday, April 24.** *Poster Credit to last year's winner, Grace Lapid*

KICK-OFF EARTH WEEK PRESENTATIONS

FSU ALUMN VANESSA MUKENDI

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 7 PM, Gunter 208

Vanessa Mukendi, Conservation Research Program Manager for Bats Conservation International AND a 2018 Bobcat alum kicks off our 2023 Focus Frostburg events. While at FSU, Vanessa majored in Earth Science / Environmental Science, finishing minors in both Sociology and Sustainability Studies. She was active in SAS (Sustainability Awareness Society) and represented FSU at an AASHE (Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education) Conference in Pittsburgh in 2018. Vanessa will be speaking students in the SUST 455 Sustainability Studies capstone course about her pathway to the field of conservation, her current work with Bats Conservation International, and her recent attendance at Nature Forward's *Taking NatureBlack* conference. This discussion is open to all.



Wednesday, April 19

Sessions take place in or near Lane University Center

Electric Transportation Expo

Outside Lane University Center much of the day

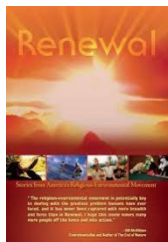
City of Frostburg Green Team

A variety of makes and models of electric vehicles, including pickup trucks and e-bikes, will be displayed on the Ort Library side of the Lane Center, allowing attendees and passersby to get a close-up view of locally owned EVs.

10 AM- 2 PM EcoBricking Intro and Workshop (Drop In When You Can)

LUC 109

Learn more about EcoBricks and how to make them. Join in FSU's efforts to construct an EcoBrick bench – a visible reminder of how much soft plastics are in our lives and in our biosphere when we don't work to remove them.



10 AM Film: "Renewal"

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"Renewal" captures the vitality and diversity of today's religious-environmental activists. From within their Christian, Jewish, Buddhist and Muslim traditions, Americans are becoming caretakers of Earth. Their stories of combating global warming and the devastation of mountaintop removal, of promoting food security, environmental justice, recycling and land preservation, and of teaching love and respect for life on Earth are the heart of "Renewal."

10 AM Civic Communication at FSU: Engaging Campus and Community

CCIT 162

Students in the new class CMST 310 Civic Communication will discuss course learning and semester projects focused on civic engagement through the Communication Leadership Lab, including the #BobcatsAgainstBias dialogue about "Mental Health Civility: Navigating Bias and Inclusion" and the "Eat. Learn. Teach." leadership residency and teaching kitchen demonstration focused on mindful eating. The class will share plans and outcomes of projects, which include a podcast, social media campaigns, and even sidewalk chalking.

11 AM Can Plastic Housing Save the World?

Amanda Stanley

LUC 111

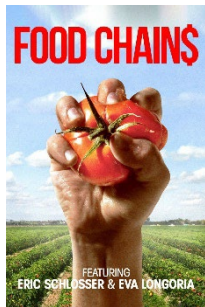
Can plastic solve the housing problem? Plastic is relatively inexpensive, and it is readily available everywhere, in stores, around our food, even in our trash. Plastic lasts a long time. Does that not make it durable? Is it durable enough to give shelter to those in need? Come hear how building from plastic may assist in cleaning up the planet while at the same time providing housing opportunities for those in need.

11 AM SUST 455 Community Partner Outreach

Tracy Edwards

LUC 113

SUST 455 students share details of their efforts to support Community Partners working locally toward Global Sustainable Development Goals.



11 AM Film: "Food Chains" 1 hr. 22 minutes

ARMAH

Farmworkers, the foundation of our fresh food industry, are routinely abused and robbed of wages. FOOD CHAINS reveals the human cost in our food supply and the complicity of large buyers of produce like fast food and supermarkets.

NOON Arbor Day Declaration 2023

FSU Clock Tower

Presented by: Tree Campus - Higher Education

For the past 11 years, Frostburg State University has dedicated time, energy and resources to help raise the awareness of the importance of trees including health, climate, and beauty. Join our group as we make our annual Arbor Day Proclamation.

NOON Today's Climate Action Movement: A Generational Divide?

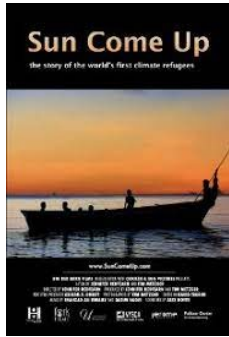
Myles Thomas and Kara Rogers Thomas

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This presentation uses the framework of social movements to explore protests calling for Climate Action Now. Topics covered include climate anxiety, youth-driven climate protests, and a comparison of environmental-related movements across generations.

NOON Tour FSU Recycling Facilities

Meet Tracy Edwards near the Vehicles between LUC and the Library for the Tour.



12:30 PM Film: SUN COME UP 38 minutes

ARMAH

An Academy Award nominated film that shows the human face of climate change. The film follows the relocation of the Carteret Islanders, a community living on a remote island chain in the South Pacific Ocean, and now, some of the world's first environmental refugees. When climate change threatens their survival, the islanders face a painful decision. They must leave their ancestral land in search of a new place to call home. Sun Come Up follows a group of young islanders as they search for land in war-torn Bougainville, 50 miles across the open ocean. Sun Come Up provokes discussion about climate change, displacement, and the rights of vulnerable communities around the globe.

1 PM Industrial Hemp: The All-in-One Plant for Food, Fiber, Fuel, Health and the Future.

Presented by: Mountain Maryland Hemp Alliance - Darryl Glotfelty, Katharine Dubansky, and David Puthoff

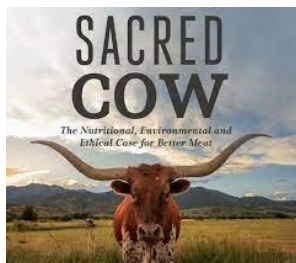
LUC 111

For decades hemp was a go-to plant for hundreds of purposes including food, fiber, and medicine. Join our presentation and discussion on the future of hemp and how it can revolutionize our future agricultural system.

1 PM FSU Recycling / Campus Race to Zero Waste Results

LUC 113

SUST 155 students share details on FSU Recycling and results of the Spring 2023 Campus Race to Zero Waste results.



1:15 PM Film: SACRED COW 1 hr. 20 minutes

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A film about the current debate on eating and raising cattle for food, showing that animal-sourced foods are nutritious for humans and can be raised in a way that is beneficial for the environment.

2 PM Master of Environmental Management: New FSU graduate program in sustainability

Dr. Ben Norris

LUC 113

Frostburg State University and the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science are launching an innovative and interdisciplinary non-thesis master's degree focusing on practical application of concepts in environmental science, management, and sustainability across several disciplines. A core feature of this program is a team science approach to solving real-world sustainability problems provided by partner organizations in the academic,

governmental, nonprofit, and private sectors. This session will provide information on the new graduate program and how to apply!

2 PM Greening the Campus

Facilitator, Dr. Elesha Ruminski

LUC 111

Think Green. Be Green. Stop Littering on Campus

Colin Creagan

This presentation will explore what FSU does now and what more we can do to address litter. The grass, benches, and floors are not the place to dump trash or cans because that causes litter. Everyone should make smarter choices when throwing their trash away and cans to recycle. We need to have a sense of what items go in what bins and should all use ALL compostable service items for food and bulk beverages and eliminate single-use items and packaging. This will help reduce waste and keep Frostburg campus clean. If we do this together, we will prevent pollution and contamination around campus, especially around the athletic stadium where litter collects.

Building a Sustainable Future for Frostburg: Preparing for Electric Vehicles"

Trenton Buskirk

Within the past 5-10 years, there has been a rise in the production and sales of electric vehicles. This presentation advocates for electric vehicles and discusses the advantages of government agencies and universities leading the way in research, infrastructure development and implementation of Electric Vehicle Fleets.

2 PM Tour FSU Recycling Facilities

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2:40 Film: BAG IT: IS YOUR LIFE TOO PLASTIC 1 hr. 18 minutes

ARMAH

What starts as a film about plastic bags evolves into a wholesale investigation into plastic's effects on our oceans, environment, and bodies. We see how our crazy-for-plastic world has finally caught up to us...and what we can do about it.

3 PM Challenges and Opportunities in the Evolving Electric Vehicle Landscape

City of Frostburg Green Team

LUC 111

The electric vehicle market is burgeoning, with new models being introduced at a rapid rate, and, with the expanded federal tax credits, they are becoming more affordable. However, is the infrastructure ready for the expected surge? And what should a buyer new to EVs consider.



KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

4 PM Telling Stories that Matter and the Coming Coast

Michael O. Snyder

A joint presentation of the FSU Honors Program and the Dept. of Geography

ARMAH



Photographer and filmmaker Mike Snyder discusses 10 elements of stories that drive change featuring his photographic work, "The Coming Coast." That project documents a journey along the 11,000-mile coastline of the Chesapeake Bay as it may yet be in the year 2100. Along the way, he uses thick blue tape to mark the path of the coming coast as it snakes through neighborhoods, main streets, and storefronts that are sometimes miles away from the water. Also, he meets and photographs a diverse group of people who are actively working to hold back and adapt to the rising tides. The purpose of these portraits is to understand how individuals from different backgrounds, lifeways, and perspectives can, quite literally, find common ground and work together to protect a shared resource. Snyder is a Portrait of Humanity Award Winner, a Society of Environmental Journalists Member, a Bertha Fellow and a recent delegate to the United National Climate Conference. He holds a master's in environmental sustainability from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, and a bachelor's from Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pa. He lives in the shadow of the Blue Ridge Mountains of Central Virginia.



6 PM- Film and Discussion: 2040

ARMAH

Motivated by concerns about the planet his 4-year-old daughter would inherit, the award-winning director Damon Gameau ("That Sugar Film") embarked on a global journey to meet innovators and changemakers in economics, technology, civil society, agriculture, education and sustainability. 2040 is a story of hope that looks at the very real possibility that humanity could reverse global warming and improve the lives of every living thing in the process by simply embracing the best solutions already available to us. 2040 has been described as the film the next generation needs to see, to aspire to, and believe is possible. The film is both serious and playful and is appropriate and engaging for all ages.

The community conversation that follows the screening will focus on initiatives that are underway in this area to improve our lives. Attendees will also share their own visions for 2040. This conversation is inspired by Margaret Wheatley's belief that "we can change the world if we start listening to one another again."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Financial Sustainability and the Importance of Building Your Credit

SECU Representatives

April 25

7 PM, LUC Atkinson Room

Includes an activity illustrating the connection between purchasing a vehicle & interest rates on loans is tied to credit scores. Activity focuses on electric vehicles.

Frostburg Arts Walk

Saturday, April 29

Starting at 11 AM- Frostburg Main Street

Meet local artists, catch live performances and demonstrations, and make your own creations at the annual Spring Arts Walk! Designed to be a walking arts tour, attendees can expect a wide array of entertainment and art for the whole family!