



CLIMATE, JOBS, & JUSTICE

A WEEK OF FREE EVENTS

*Registration Required for Some Events and Suggested Donation for Others *

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Strong Family Farm (Vernon) – Worms and Composting with a Turkey on Top!

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Auer Farm (Bloomfield) – What Organic Means for Farmers and Families

Beekley Library (New Hartford) – A Town Based Roadmap to 100 Percent Renewable Energy

Mitchell Library (New Haven) – Planting for the Bees' Needs

Russell Library (Middletown) – Clean Energy for All: Voting for the Environment

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Plainville Public Library – History of Climate Change Through Words and Music

Suffield Public Library – What the Upcoming Elections Mean for the Environment

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Hall Memorial Library (Ellington) – The Health Impacts of Climate Change

Mansfield Public Library – Climate Solutions: 100% Renewable Energy and the Drawdown Revolution

Prosser Library (Bloomfield) – To the Ends of the Earth (film and conversation)

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Winsted Community Bookstore – How to Be An Environmental Activist Right Here in CT

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Bushy Hill Nature Center (Ivoryton) – Vernal Pools, Amphibians, and Climate Change

Coe Park (Torrington) – Rise Up for Climate, Jobs & Justice Rally

Edgerton Park (New Haven) – CT Folk Fest & Green Expo

Fairfield Warde High School (Fairfield) – Electric Vehicle Showcase

Kingswood Oxford School (West Hartford) - Electric Vehicle Demonstration

Miller Memorial Library (Hamden) – Electrify Your Drive

New Britain Public Library – LEGO® Build: Create Sustainable Superheroes

Newtown Municipal Center – Disposable Plastic Waste Exhibition Opening

Sears Park (East Hampton) – Electric Vehicle Demonstration

Yale University Art Gallery (New Haven) – Paying Homage: Soil and Site Environmental Justice Summit

**RISE UP FOR CLIMATE,
JOBS & JUSTICE RALLY**

September 9 @ 1pm
New Haven Green

FOR MORE INFORMATION: 350CT.ORG

EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

RR = REGISTRATION REQUIRED

RP = REGISTRATION PREFERRED

NR = NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

A Town Based Roadmap to 100 Percent Renewable Energy (RR)

Beekley Library, 10 Central Avenue, New Hartford

TUES, September 4 @ 6:30PM

To Register: 860-379-7235

CT faces critical decisions regarding our energy future. The PACE 100PercentCT Project presents an alternative to fossil fuel and nuclear energy by facilitating the transition to a clean energy economy. The project develops local, viable plans that move individual towns to 100% renewables. Initially, the project has focused on Simsbury and West Hartford. We are already working with other towns to expand the project across the state. Learn how your town can move towards 100% renewables.

Clean Energy for All: Voting for the Environment (RP)

Russell Library, 123 Broad St, Middletown

TUES, September 4 @ 5PM

For More Info: alex@ctlcvt.org

What do the 2018 elections mean for CT's environment? Join the CT League of Conservation Voters for a rousing discussion on what they are doing to fight for pollution-free communities, as well as what you can do to support candidates and legislation that will best protect the public health of millions of CT residents.

Climate Solutions: 100% Renewable Energy and the Drawdown Revolution (NR)

Mansfield Public Library, 54 Warrenville Rd, Mansfield

THURS, September 6 @ 6:30PM

For More Info: 860-423-2501

100% clean renewable energy is a key strategy to combat climate change, but it is only one part of a panorama of climate solutions. Ben Martin of 350 CT will share strategies and policies for moving CT to 100% clean renewable energy, and how everyone can play a part. Melissa Everett of Clean Water Fund will report on Project Drawdown, a rigorous and inspiring study of the top 100 climate solutions. Some will surprise you.

Connecticut Folk Fest & Green Expo (NR)

Edgerton Park, 75 Cliff St, New Haven

SAT, September 8 11AM to 10PM

For More Info: visit www.CTFolk.org

The Green Expo, 11am-6pm, highlights hands-on artisans and exhibitors with ideas and products for sustainable living. The Green Kids Village offers an Acoustic Corner, yoga and hooping workshops, drumming and an arts & creativity area. The CT Folk lineup of top folk music includes: Martin Sexton, The Alternate Routes, Upstate, Jesse Terry Trio, Goodnight Blue Moon, Plywood Cowboy, Auguste & Alden, Open Book, Professors of Bluegrass and the Grassy Hill Songwriting Competition. Suggested donation of \$10.

East Hampton "Electric Car Show '18 (NR)

Sears Park, 64 N. Main St, East Hampton

SAT, September 8 12 to 4PM

For More Info: ehcetf@gmail.com

The East Hampton Clean Energy Task Force will hold the Second Annual "Electric Car Show." Come join us at the lake as we showcase electric, hybrid and alternative fuel cars (Chevrolet, Ford, Chrysler, Toyota, BMW and more). We invite town residents who own electric, hybrid or alternative fuel vehicles to show off their clean energy machine too. There is no registration fee, but the deadline to register your vehicle for the show is Friday, August 24. To register your vehicle, contact us at: ehcetf@gmail.com or 860-365-1296. We'll have music, raffles and food, provided by the Dublin Beef & Seafood Co., too!

Electrify Your Drive! (NR)

Miller Memorial Library, 2901 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden

SAT, September 8 11AM to 3PM

For More Info: rlangdon1@mac.com

EV enthusiasts, the Town of Hamden, and the Hamden Energy Use and Climate Change Commission are hosting an educational electric vehicle event to highlight the clean-air and cost-savings advantages of these vehicles. EV owners will discuss why they like their EVs and how they use them on their daily commutes and longer drives, as well as how they charge the cars' batteries. Special savings programs for purchasing and leasing EVs will be discussed. Some EVs will be available for test ride-and-drives.

Electric Vehicle Showcase – Fairfield (RR)

Fairfield Warde High School (carports off Knapps Hwy), 755 Melville Avenue, Fairfield

SAT, September 8 10AM to 2PM

To Register: driveelectricweek.org

Hosted by the Sustainable Fairfield Task Force, the event will showcase electric cars and bicycles, all available for a close-up look as well as test drives. The event will bring together dealers, electric car club members, and EV owners both local and from throughout the greater tri-state region to display the current state of the technology. Last year's event featured more than 40 vehicles, representing 17 different leading EV models. Admission to the event is free; refreshments will be available on site.

How to be an Environmental Activist Right Here in Connecticut (NR)

Winsted Community Book Store, 414 Main Street, Winsted

FRI, September 7 @ 7PM

For More Info: winstedbookstore.com

Join Ann Gadwah, Political Chair of the Connecticut Sierra Club, for an informational and action-based presentation on how to get involved in environmental protection here in Connecticut. Learn how to influence environmental policy, lobby your elected officials, participate in conservation campaigns, and become more climate friendly in your everyday life

“In the Bag” – Disposable Plastic Waste Exhibition Opening (NR)

Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose St, Newtown

SAT, September 8 6PM to 8PM

Learn how grass-roots entrepreneurs are converting throw-away plastic bags that litter their communities and endanger the environment into functional works of art and engines of economic development. There will be music and wine and cheese. The exhibit will remain up through the month of September.

LEGO® Build: Create Sustainable Superheroes and Their Habitat (RR)

New Britain Public Library, 20 High St, New Britain

SAT, September 8 @ 2PM

To Register: 860-224-3155

Unleash your imagination and explore the natural world through play. Guided by LEGO® Master Model Builder, Mark Roe, you will take on the challenge to combine LEGO® bricks and plant elements to make your sustainable superhero, help create their unique habitat and join Plantus Maximus on the mission to protect the planet!

Paying Homage: Soil & Site Environmental Justice Summit (RR)

Yale University Art Gallery, 1111 Chapel St, New Haven

SAT, September 8 10AM to 5PM

Info: info@artspacenh.org

A full-day summit to promote dialogue on the interplay of environmentalism, social justice, the arts and community identity. It will respond to the companion exhibition *Ball Snake Ball* and the artwork created by participants in the Artspace Summer Apprenticeship Program by assembling scholars, activists, educators, and civic leaders working on environmental justice issues to explore the politics of our basic environmental needs and the consequences of historical environmental racism on our local communities, as well as the role of the land itself as a lasting monument to these injustices and others. The arts will be at the center of these conversations, investigating how creative engagement with the land through the artistic medium of ceramics can offer a new understanding of the links between land and justice.

Planting for the Bees' Needs (NR)

Mitchell Library, 37 Harrison St, New Haven

TUES, September 4 @ 4PM

For More Info: 203-946-8117

Did you know there are 349 species of bees in Connecticut? Bees are important for pollination of crop plants and wild native plants. Honey bees are only one species, and they provide a part of that essential service, but all the other bees are important, too. In this talk, Dr. Stoner will discuss bee diversity and life cycles, what plants bees need, and her findings about how bees are exposed to pesticides.

Rain Gardens: Techniques and Benefits (RR)

Bethlehem Library, 32 Main St S, Bethlehem

WED, September 5 @ 7PM

For More Info: 203 266-7792

Cynthia Rabinowitz, Executive Director of the Northwest Conservation District, will offer a program on the multiple benefits of a rain garden and techniques required to create one in the home yard.

Rise for Climate Vigil (NR)

Jillson Square(corner), 533 Main St, Willimantic

FRI, September 7 5PM to 6PM

All are welcome to join us for the Rise for Climate Vigil. Please meet at the corner of Jillson Square to show your support for the climate and clean energy.

Rise Up for Climate, Jobs, and Justice Torrington Demonstration and Rally (NR)

Coe Park (corner), 101 Litchfield St, Torrington

SAT, September 8 @ 4PM

Join us as we Rise Up for Climate, Jobs, and Justice in the Northwest Corner as part of a series of week-long events leading up to our September 9th Day of Action in New Haven. Now more than ever it is important to bring awareness to environmental issues and to bring good jobs to all people and to ensure that there is justice for all. Meet at Torrington Library at 3:00PM to make posters. Then we will head over to rally and make some noise on the corner of Coe Park. If you believe these issues and the planet are worth fighting for, join us.

The Health Impacts of Climate Change (NR)
Hall Memorial Library, 93 Main St, Ellington

THUR, September 6 @ 6:30PM
For More Info: 860-870-3160

Anne Hulick (RN, JD), a Registered Nurse and the Director for Clean Water Action CT, will discuss how the changing climate impacts cardiovascular, respiratory and gastrointestinal health and the expansion of vector-borne diseases.

The History of Climate Change Through Words and Music (NR)
Plainville Public Library, 56 East Main St, Plainville

WED, September 5 @ 7PM
For More Info: 860-793-1446

Join Linda Beers, violinist with the Hartford Symphony, Deborah Roe, director of Northeast Storytelling, and singer, Mark Malone as they present the history of climate change through words and music. We will travel on a journey from pre-industrial times listening to the music of Vivaldi, then onto the Industrial Revolution with a piece from Beethoven, and continue through today. Along the way, we will learn about how the climate has changed during each period and the effects of the climate change and also take a look at current solutions.

To the Ends of the Earth – Film and Conversation (RP)
Prosser Public Library, 1 Tunxis Ave, Bloomfield

THURS, September 6 @ 6PM
For More Info: 860 243-9721

This 55-minute documentary, narrated by Emma Thompson, explores the impact of our increasingly intensive efforts to extract fossil fuels, from tar sands and shale extraction to fracking and deep-sea drilling. Following the film there will be discussion and a brief presentation of Bloomfield's own conservation plans as a participant in the SustainableCT campaign and in UConn's Conservation Ambassador Program. This program is sponsored by the 350 CT, a grassroots nonprofit working towards 100% renewable energy for all. Registration is preferred.

Vernal Pools, Amphibians, and Climate Change (RP)
Bushy Hill Nature Center, 253 Bushy Hill Rd, Deep River

SAT, Sept 8 10 to 11:30AM
For More Info: 860-767-2148

Participants will take a short hike to visit our cedar swamp, vernal pool and frog pond to learn about the various areas that amphibians will breed and lay eggs, why they choose these locations, and how climate change may be effecting these choices. The day will end with an opportunity to use nets and buckets to explore our frogging pond and to learn how to respectfully and responsibly interact with amphibians and other critters who call our wetlands home. Pre-registration is appreciated, but not required. Meet at the Nature Center.

West Hartford Electric Car Show (NR)
Kingswood Oxford, 170 Kingswood Rd, West Hartford

SAT, September 8 9AM - 1PM
Info: driveelectricweek.org

Come see the latest generation of electric vehicles. Over 20 vehicles represented. Also check out the e-bikes, e-motorcycles, and electric lawn equipment. Complete your experience with a snack at one of the on-site food trucks.

What Organic Means for Farmers & Families (NR)
Auer Farm, 158 Auer Farm Rd, Bloomfield

TUES, September 4 @ 6PM
For More Info: 860-212-9596

Come meet Jeff Cordulack, the Executive Director of The Northeast Organic Farming Association of Connecticut (CT NOFA). He will discuss the foundations of the organic farming and gardening movement, USDA organic certification, current issues surrounding the USDA organic label, and how organic ways uniquely collaborate with the soil environment to produce a wide range of nutrients and minerals for our food crops and families. Topics will include what it takes to be a USDA certified organic farm; how to identify truly organic products; an intro to organic land care; the role of the carbon cycle in soil health; and how we can reverse CO2-caused climate change with soil. This program is cosponsored by Auer Farm and the Wintonbury Land Trust.

What the Upcoming Elections Mean for the Environment (RR)
Suffield Public Library, 61 Ffyer Place, Suffield

WEDS, September 5 @ 7PM
To Register: 860-668-3896

Huge environmental policy issues will be decided by Connecticut's next Governor, and many legislative battles are on the horizon at our state legislature in 2019. Who we elect will matter in how these battles will play out. With our state water plan, energy plan, and open space all in the balance, we need to make environmental issues the issues that all candidates are talking about. Learn the important questions to ask, how to get them to respond, and how to hold them accountable if they win!

Worms and Composting with a Turkey on Top! (NR)
Strong Family Farm, 274 West St, Vernon

SUN, Sept 2 11AM to 3PM
Info: strongfamilyfarm.org

Strong Family Farm will host an afternoon of composting advice by Vernon Master Gardeners on Sept 2nd. Also, a visiting turkey from Aussakita Acres Farm will be greeting people. Bring the whole family to this program that runs from 11 AM to 3PM.