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# BUILDING A BETTER ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT

## FALL 2017 Friday Forum Lecture Series | University YMCA

09/08

### **Standing Rock and the Power of Indigenous Youth Voices \***

Thomas Tonatiuh Dominguez-Lopez, International Indigenous Youth Council

09/15

### **Organizing for Environmental Justice**

Reverend Booker Steven Vance, Faith in Place

09/22

### **A Half Century of Protecting and Restoring the Waters of the United States\***

David Ullrich, Director, Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative

09/29

### **Neighborhood Approaches to Environmental Justice \***

Lierman Neighborhood Action Committee and the 5th & Hill Neighborhood Rights Campaign

10/06

### **Threats to National Parks**

Dr. Robert Pahre, Political Science, University of Illinois

10/13

### **One Barrier Too Many: Understanding What It Means To Bicycle in Black & Latino Communities \***

Dr. Charles Brown, Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center (VTC) and Rutgers University

10/20

### **The Displacement of Environmental Justice**

Kim Wasserman Nieto, Executive Director, Little Village Environmental Justice Organization

10/27

### **Environmental Changes and Indigenous Peoples:**

### **The Interconnectedness of Land Loss, Shared Cultural Experiences, and Trauma\***

Dr. Shanondora Billiot, School of Social Work, University of Illinois

11/03

### **A Tax on Coal: A Fair Return for Communities Affected by Mining**

Pam & Ian Richart, Eco-Justice Collaborative and Andrew Rehn, Prairie Rivers Network

11/10

### **Conservation, Waste and the Revitalization of Urban Communities\***

Jonathan Pereira, Executive Director, The Plant Chicago

\* Friday Forum & Conversation  
Cafe collaboration lectures –  
Free lunch will be provided  
at all of these talks courtesy  
of OIIR's Diversity and  
Social Justice education unit!

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

Bill McKibben, author,  
activist and founder of  
350.org will speak on April  
13, 2018 at 12pm at the  
University YMCA.



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This fall, we are pleased to partner with the Office of Inclusion and Intercultural Relations' Diversity and Social Justice Education unit (DiversityEd) and the Student Sustainability Committee to host a series that explores the intersections of the environment and social justice. Our Fall 2017 Friday Forum series on environmental issues and solutions, ranging from climate change and policy to active transportation and agriculture, seeks to elevate sustainability issues on campus and in our communities and deepen our understanding of environmental justice.

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