

Conversations for a One Planet Region
List of all speakers and topics, links to presentations

2017 Presentations

Monday Jan 23rd

- [The Anthropocene, the One Planet Region and the Happy Planet Index](#)
Trevor Hancock, School of Public Health and Social Policy, UVic
- [Measuring Victoria's Ecological Footprint](#)
Jennie Moore, BCIT. Jennie's PhD was on the ecological footprint of Vancouver, and she is working on the ecological footprint for Victoria.
[Trevor Hancock – One Planet intro session, January 23rd](#)
[Jennie Moore – Measuring the Ecological Footprint, January 23rd](#)

Monday Feb 6th

- [A renewable energy systems for a One Planet region](#)
Tom Hackney, Policy Director, Victoria chapter of BCSEA (BC Sustainable Energy Association) with interactive discussion facilitated by climate social scientist Jan Inglis
[Tom Hackney, BCSEA – 100% RE Saanich Pathway, February 6th](#)
[One Planet Participant Conversation on Energy](#)

Monday Feb 13th

- [A Conversation on transportation systems and urban development patterns for a One Planet region](#)
Todd Litman, Victoria Transport Policy Institute
[Todd Litman – Transport and urban development, February 13th](#)

Wednesday Feb 22nd

- [A food system for a One Planet region](#)
Jeremy Caradonna, Adjunct Professor, Environmental Studies, UVic
[Jeremy Caradonna – One Planet Food System, February 22nd](#)
[Food system – Notes from Discussion Groups](#)

IdeaFest presentations, March 11th 2017

Saturday March 11th, 1.30 - 4.30 PM, New Horizons, James Bay

- [The Anthropocene is here! Living well in a 'One Planet' region](#)
A panel presentation and discussion
[Trevor Hancock – Ideafest Intro](#)
[Doherty – Transport for a One Planet Region](#)

[Lydon – Mapping and engagement](#)

[Clarke – Measurement Matters](#)

[Cronk and Moreno – One Planet Boundaries Report – A report on ways of mapping the GVR](#)

Monday March 20th

- [A Conversation on a New Cooperative Economy for a One Planet Region](#)
Guy Dauncey – author of Journey to the future: A Better World is Possible
[Guy Dauncey – A New Economy for a One Planet Region, March 20th](#)

Monday April 3rd

- [The 5-year Transportation Transformation; Decisive steps towards a One Planet Region](#)
Eric Doherty, Ecopath Planning. Eric is a transportation planner and founding member of the Better Transit Alliance of Greater Victoria
[Eric Doherty – 5 Year Transport Transformation, April 3rd](#)

Tuesday April 18th

- [Rewilding: From “dead” to “living” landscapes as a form of climate change mitigation](#)
Richard Iredale, Architect, Iredale Associates; Past Chair, Cascadia Green Building Council (now the International Living Future Institute)
[Richard Iredale – ReWilding, April 18th](#)

Monday May 1

- [‘Making a Place We Can All Call Home’](#)
Ian Wight, Senior Scholar, City Planning, Faculty of Architecture, University of Manitoba
[Ian Wight – Making a place we can all call home, May 1st](#)

Monday May 15

- [One planet region and well-being of future generations: Children’s health and the environment](#)
Paivi Abernethy, Postdoctoral Researcher in the CRC Sustainability Research Effectiveness program, Royal Roads University
[Paivi Abernethy – Child Health and Planetary Health, May 15th](#)

Monday May 29

- [Passive House Design](#)
Jordan Fisher, FRESCo Building Efficiency

SPECIAL LECTURE at UVic

Monday June 12

- [Living Well Within Limits](#) (This is a major new project starting at Leeds, and related to a European Commission program of the same name)

Dan O'Neill, Associate Professor in Environmental and Ecological Economics, University of Leeds, UK

[Dan O'Neill – Living within limits, June 12th](#)

Monday June 26

- [Health and a health care system for a One Planet region](#)

Trevor Hancock, Professor and Senior Scholar, School of Public Health and Social Policy, UVic

[Trevor Hancock – Health and health care in a One Planet Region, June 26th](#)

September 14

- [Working together for a One Planet Region](#)

We are bringing together groups that are working to address holistically the environmental, social, wellbeing and economic issues related to the concept of a One Planet Region. We anticipate a discussion among ourselves and with participants as to how we can work together and on what, what the different areas of expertise and focus are, and what participants want/need expect – and how they can assist/get involved.

- *One Planet Region – Trevor Hancock*
- *This is Leadership – Frances Litman*
- *Greater Victoria Acting Together – Peggy Wilmot*
- *Social-Environmental Alliance/ Common Vision, Common Action – Ben Isitt*
- *Cities for Everyone – Todd Litman*

[Trevor Hancock – Working together, September 14th](#)

September 28

- [Measuring progress towards a One Planet Region](#)

We are bringing together people and groups that are interested in ways to measure our progress and addressing holistically the environmental, social, wellbeing and economic issues related to the concept of a One Planet Region. We anticipate a discussion among ourselves and with participants as to how we can work together and on what, what the different areas of expertise and focus are, and what participants want/need/expect – and perhaps how they can assist/get involved.

- *Ecological footprint – Cora Hallsworth*
- *Genuine Progress Indicator (GPI) – Eric Doherty*
- *Happy Planet Index – Trevor Hancock*
- *Gross National Happiness – Mike Pennock*
- *Regional Outcomes Monitoring (CRD) – Shannon Clarke*

[Cora Hallsworth – Ecological Footprint, OPL conversations, Septmeber 28th](#)

[Eric Doherty – GPI for One Planet Region, September 28th](#)

[Shannon Clarke – ROM Presentation, One Planet Region, September 28th](#)

[Trevor Hancock – Happy Planet Index, September 28th](#)

October 19

- [An education system for a One Planet Region](#)

Today's children will be growing up in a world where we will need to match our consumption to our fair share of the Earth's resources and ecological system capacity. What sort of education system will this require? How can we engage young people in a meaningful way in co-creating their own future as a One Planet Region?

- Mark Neufeld, teacher, Claremont Secondary School;
- Kiersten Brooke, teacher, Strawberry Vale Elementary School

[Kiersten Brookes – Nature education at Strawberry Vale, October 19th](#)

October 26

- [Industrial ecology and engineered ecosystems in the city](#)

Chris Kennedy, Chair of the new Civil Engineering Program at UVic and Patrick Lucey – President of Aqua-Tex Scientific Consulting Ltd

- Chris Kennedy applies principles of Industrial Ecology to challenges of developing sustainable cities and global infrastructure systems. Much of his work has involved the study of urban metabolism – the energy and material flows through cities – which underlies greenhouse gas emissions and other environmental impacts of cities.
- Patrick Lucey is a senior aquatic ecologist with a background in freshwater and marine ecology, resource management and political science. His specialities are managing water resources so that they add value to development projects, and demonstrating how maintenance and enhancement of ecological function can provide cost-savings on infrastructure and result in a healthier environment.

[Chris Kennedy – Industrial Ecology, October 26th](#)

[Patrick Lucey – Engineered ecosystems, October 26th](#)

November 9

- [A mobility and transportation system for a One Planet Region](#)

This Conversation links to and builds on a Shaw TV program developed by *Creatively United Solutions Hub* and broadcast starting Oct 30

- *Eric Doherty, Better Transit Alliance*
- *Ed Pullman, Greater Victoria Cycling Coalition*
- *Alicia Holman, Councillor, District of Central Saanich, Organiser, Green Drinks Central Saanich*
- *Rebecca Newlove, Manager of Sustainability, Planning Dept, District of Saanich*

[Alicia Holman – Central Saanich Transportation, November 9th](#)

[Ed Pullman, Cycling Coalition, November 9th](#)

December 14

- Arts for a One Planet Region

Creating a One Planet Region is not simply a matter of applying a set of (already fairly well thought out) technical fixes. It will require profound, even transformational changes in our values and our culture. So if we are to achieve a One Planet Region, then first we have to raise awareness, engage people in talking about it and then imagining it, before we can really start to design and create it. The arts can and must play a vital role in these acts of communicating, imagining and engaging. Our speakers will provide their thoughts on the role of the arts in creating a One Planet Region.

This Conversation links to and builds on a Shaw TV program developed by *Creatively United Solutions Hub* and broadcast starting Nov 6

- *Frances Litman, Photographer and Coordinator, Creatively United for the Planet*
- *Clare Attwell, textile & community artist/ animator*
- *Ian Hinkle, communications specialist and documentary filmmaker*
- *Will Weigler, an award-winning applied theatre director, playwright and producer based in Victoria.*

2018 Presentations

February 8

- Who is in Charge of the Common Good: A New/Old Narrative of the Interrelationship of Governance, Economics, Civil Society, and Nature

The shared resources our lives depend on can be enclosed, privatized, and commodified, impacting the sustainability of our One Planet. In this session we will discuss the differences between private, public and commons strategies for governing these resources, and the importance of reclaiming our identity as “commoners”.

- *Jan Inglis is an independent scholar, educator, and writer who has worked with public engagement in response to climate change for many years.*

Inglis – Gov of the Commons, February 8th

SPECIAL LECTURE AT UVIC

February 22

- 100% Renewable Energy Communities: Lessons from Germany
 - *Dr. Manfred Fischedick, Vice President, Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy. He is an expert on ‘deep decarbonisation’ and advises the European Union, the German Federal government, many states and cities and the business sector.*
 - **Organisers:** UVic in the Anthropocene, BC Sustainable Energy Association, Conversations for a One Planet Region

March 15

- The new economy of a One Planet Region
 - *Ana Maria Peredo, Professor, School of Environmental Studies and former Director (2008-2014), Centre for Co-operative and Community-Based Economy at UVic.*

April 12

- Our Region’s Ecological Footprint: What it is, how to reduce it
 - *Jennie Moore and Cora Hallsworth*

Moore-Hallsworth – Eco Footprint, April 12th

May 17

- Common Vision, Common Action: Policy for a One Planet Region

Common Vision, Common Action is a group of like-minded political activists who share a common concern for social and ecological justice. They have been developing a shared vision and policy platform that they will offer for candidates to adopt/endorse in the Greater Victoria Region municipal elections in November 2018. This session will present the platform for discussion.

- *Ben Isitt, Victoria City Councillor*

[Common Vision Common Action, May 17th](#)

June 14

- [The Faith community and the One Planet Region](#)
 - *Gertie Joksch, Programs in Earth Literacies*
 - *Martin ????, others TBD*

[The Role of Faith In Communities, June 14th](#)

SPECIAL LECTURE AT UVIC

June 20

- [Planning for a One Planet Region](#)

Join us for a conversation about the One Planet Saanich initiative and hear stories from around the world about businesses, schools and communities that are driving change using the One Planet Living framework. The One Planet Living principles -from health and happiness and sustainable food to zero carbon energy -provide a common language to talk about sustainability and drive change.

Pooran Desai, Bioregional's founder and initiator of the ground-breaking BedZED project in London (UK), will share lessons learned in applying the framework's ten simple principles. You will hear about his experience leading action planning teams throughout the world, and about how we can apply these lessons in Saanich.

- *Pooran Desai, CEO, Bioregional (UK)*

Organised by Bioregional + One Earth + District of Saanich + Conversations for a One Planet region + UVic in the Anthropocene

September 13

- [A positive response to doom and gloom on climate change](#)

Several recent reports have highlighted the worsening situation in climate change. This will be an opportunity to discuss both the harsh news that is in these reports and the more positive and hopeful responses that are being considered and implemented locally and elsewhere.

- *Trevor Hancock*
- *Todd Litman*
- *Robert Oppenheimer*

[Trevor Hancock – Doom & Gloom – The Growing Climate Crisis, September 13th](#)

[Todd Litman – Win-Win Solutions to Climate Risks, September 13th](#)

[Dr. Robert Oppenheimer – The Mass Psychology of Climate Change, September 13th](#)

October 11

- Imagining Greater Victoria as a Zero Waste Region
 - *Leanne Gallagher from West Coast Refill; Kayla Siefried from the Compost Education Centre + materials from 'Love Food, Hate Waste'*

[Imagining a Zero Waste Region – Notes, 11 Oct 2018](#)

November 15

- Developers for a One Planet Region
 - *Richard Iredale, Iredale Architecture: Why urban living is eco friendly. Examples of 3 urban infill projects that combine LEED green-design principals and heritage conservation.*
 - *Jordan Milne, Milne Projects: Permitting challenges in Urban Infill projects. Examples of 2 large scale urban apartments that fit well into existing urban fabric.*
 - *Stephanie Rathwell, Iredale Architecture: The ten One Planet principals applied to Beespot Neighborhood in Saanich.*

[Iredale – Sustainable Cities – 15 November 2018](#)

[Rathwell – BEESPOT Neighbourhoods, 15 Nov.2018](#)

December 6

- First Nations perspectives on sustainability and the One Planet Region
 - *Adam Olsen (a member of the Tsartlip First Nation and Green Party MLA)*

[Adam Olsen – First Nations perspectives on the One Planet Region, 6 December 2018](#)

2019 Presentations

January 24

- “Legal Approaches to Climate Accountability”

- *Andrew Gage, West Coast Environmental Law*

The world’s governments agreed in 1992 to avoid dangerous climate change. However, somehow each year the world burns more fossil fuels and greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise. With the world facing a rising tide of climate costs, communities and organizations are using political campaigns and the law to hold national governments and global corporations accountable for their role in climate change.

Andrew Gage is the head of West Coast Environmental Law’s Climate Change program and has worked as a public interest environmental lawyer for almost 20 years. His work focuses on holding governments and fossil fuel companies accountable for addressing climate change and its impacts.

February 21

- “Eating with our ocean ecosystem: Fisheries in a one planet region”

- *Jim McIsaac, T Buck Suzuki Foundation*

Jim McIsaac is the Executive Director of the T Buck Suzuki Foundation. He also sits on the executive of the Canadian Independent Fish Harvesters Federation and coordinates the BC Commercial Fishing Caucus, a leadership group with 14 organizations in the BC fishing industry. Jim is involved in fisheries management and integrated marine planning in BC, including the Pacific North Coast Integrated Management Area, the Marine Planning Partnership of the North Pacific, West Coast Aquatic, Norther Shelf MPA network, Gwaii Haanas, Scott Island NWA, Hecate Sponge Reef MPA, and various IFMP processes. Over the last decade he has participated in various research initiatives, including: the Canadian Fisheries Research Network, the Ocean Modelling Forum on Herring, the Local Catch Core Values initiative, the Fisheries Value to Community study, and various ecosystem based management (EBM) initiatives.

[Jim McIsaac – Fisheries for a One Planet Region, 21 February](#)

March 21

- “What are the implications of Indigenous Law for a One Planet Region?”

- *John Borrows, Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Law, UVic*

John Borrows is the Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Law at the University of Victoria Law School in British Columbia. His publications include *Recovering Canada: The Resurgence of Indigenous Law* (2002), *Canada's Indigenous Constitution* (2011), *Freedom and Indigenous Constitutionalism* (Donald Smiley Award for the best book in Canadian Political Science, 2016), and *Law’s Indigenous Ethics* (forthcoming). He is the 2017 Killam Prize winner in Social Sciences. John is Anishinaabe/Ojibway and a member of the Chippewa of the Nawash First Nation in Ontario, Canada.

Borrows' forthcoming book, *Law’s Indigenous Ethics*, examines how Indigenous law can shed light on Canadian law's approach to treaties, Aboriginal title, legal education, and

the continuing legacy of residential schools. The Anishinaabe legal lens for this event is organized around seven grandmother/grandfather teachings: love, truth, bravery, humility, wisdom, honesty and respect. Anishinaabe stories, language, theories and practices are blended with detailed analysis of Canadian case law, statutes, policies and constitutional practices to illustrate the possibilities and limits of the grandmother/grandfather teachings.

Video available at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xRywU_TP4c&t=1s

April 18

- Tactical placemaking as remedy for climate breakdown: How creating delightful places can quickly reduce our ecological footprint"

- *Greater Victoria Placemaking Network*

GVPN is a group of Greater Victoria residents dedicated to inspiring people, neighbourhoods and communities to create vibrant public places that promote health, happiness and well-being. You can find out more about the network at

www.VictoriaPlacemaking.ca

- *Eric Doherty is a member of the Conversations for a One Planet Region organizing group, and a founding member of the Better Transit Alliance of Greater Victoria. In his consulting business, Ecopath Planning, Eric specializes in improving community livability, as well as reducing climate pollution from transportation.*
- *Steve Woolrich is a director of the Greater Victoria Placemaking Network, striving to help create safe and compassionate streets. He is the principal of Rethink Urban Inc, and an expert in Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED). Steve is passionate about creating safe and healthy communities and neighbourhoods.*
- *Savannah Barratt is a member of the Conversations for a One Planet Region organizing group, and a student at Camosun College. She experiences public spaces from near the height of a pickup truck exhaust pipe.*

[Eric Doherty – Tactical Placemaking as Climate Action, April](#)

[Steve Woolrich – Tactical Urbanism, April 18](#)

May 16

- Regime of obstruction: How corporate power blocks energy democracy

- *Bill Carroll, UVic, and the Corporate Mapping Project*

In this presentation I probe the multifaceted ways in which the organization of corporate power in and around Canada's fossil-fuel sector blocks a transition from fossil capitalism to energy democracy. By 'energy democracy' I mean a double power shift, from fossil-fuel power to renewables (decarbonization) and from social power concentrated in a corporate oligarchy to public, democratic control of economic decisions (democratization). Corporate control of the production of energy (most of which takes the form of fossil fuel), and the reach of corporate

power into political and civil society, pose the greatest obstacles to addressing the ecological and economic challenges humanity faces today. In the final part of the presentation I take up the issue of how can we build capacity for citizen monitoring of corporate power and influence, while expanding the space for democratic discussion.

Dr. Carroll is a critical sociologist with research interests in the political economy/ecology of corporate capitalism, social movements and social change, and critical social theory and method. His current research is focused around the relationships between corporate power, fossil capitalism and the climate crisis. He co-directs “Mapping the power of the carbon-extractive corporate resource sector,” an SSHRC-funded partnership of several universities and civil-society organizations which traces the modalities of corporate power and resistance within the global political economy, focusing on fossil capital based in western Canada.

[William K. Carroll – The Challenge of Climate Justice – May 2019](#)

June 20

- Youth and Intergenerational work for a One Planet Region.

- *Antonia Paquin, Savannah Barratt*

Antonia Paquin and Savannah Barratt are leaders of the youth climate strikes and the Green New Deal in Victoria. They will lead a Conversation on youth leadership and intergenerational work – what do they need from us, how can we best help them (and vice versa). They will be fresh from the second meeting of the local Green New Deal network on June 19th.

Other speakers involved in intergenerational work and youth leadership will be there to provide their thoughts and ideas; they include members of our planning group who are focused on intergenerational work (*Robert Oppenheimer*, a child psychologist and *Fred Grouzet*, a psychologist and Director of the Centre for Youth and Society at UVic), as well as:

- *Mark Neufeld*, a teacher at Claremont Secondary, where he runs the Institute for Global Studies
- *Kiersten Brookes*, a teacher at Strawberry Vale Elementary
 - They both led a Conversation about ‘Education for a One Planet Region’ a year or two ago
- *Bill Geimer*, Victoria World Beyond War and Professor of Law Emeritus, Washington & Lee University

[Antonia Paquin – Intergenerational Activism – June 20](#)

September 12th – “Do we live like we live on an island? Planning, governance, and the problem of sustainability on Vancouver Island”

- *Prof Rick Kool*, Environmental Education and Communication Program, School of Environment and Sustainability, Royal Roads U.

37 municipal governments, seven regional districts, more than 50 First Nations; those are the administrative structures that govern localities and regions on Vancouver Island. But who is thinking about Vancouver Island in its entirety? Sustainability thinking and practice has a great deal to do with scale, and an important scale that is missed is that represented by the 'blue boundary', the fact that we are on an island in the ocean. At present, there seems to be no coherent means for thinking about sustainability on Vancouver Island as there is no governance structure for making island-based and island-relevant sustainability decisions.

[Rick Kool – Living On An Island – September 12](#)

October 17th – Community-Based Social Marketing (CBSM) for Sustainability

- *Dr. Doug McKenzie-Mohr*, former Professor of Psychology at St. Thomas University in Fredericton NB

For over three decades Dr. McKenzie-Mohr has been applying behavioural science to the design and delivery of sustainability programs. He is the founder of community-based social marketing and the author/co-author of three books on the topic. He is the recipient of the American Psychological Association's inaugural award for innovation in environmental psychology and the World Social Marketing conference's inaugural award for contributions to the field of social marketing. He is currently an adjunct professor in Psychology at the University of Victoria.

Presented in collaboration with CreativelyUnited.org and the Community Trees Matter Network.

November 14th – Social justice in the One Planet Region

- *Diana Gibson*, CEO, Community Social Planning Council

Becoming a One Planet Region will mean a significant reduction in our ecological footprint, on the order of 70 percent. This will require a social transformation with important implications for disadvantaged groups. Will they experience benefits from lower energy use and a low-meat diet, or will there be costs from new and more expensive technologies and materials? What are the likely impacts on employment, especially when we also need to consider the impacts of AI and robotics.

This is the first of several Conversations we are co-sponsoring with the Community Social Planning Council this season to explore these issues.

[Diana Gibson – Social Justice in a One Planet Region – November](#)

December 12th - "An update on and discussion of the Green New Deal in this region"

- Led by members of the GND Leadership Group
 - A background and update on what the GND is and what is planned locally
 - And an opportunity for dialogue and input

2020 Presentations

January 16th - **CANCELLED DUE TO SNOW**

Feb 13th - “Towards socially just One Planet housing and transportation”

Part of the Social Justice in the One Planet Region series co-organised with the Community Social Planning Council

- **David Thompson**, Principal at PolicyLink Research and Consulting. David is a public policy researcher and writer, addressing climate, fiscal, and urban form issues. He has a background in law and economics.

March 12th - Using an equity lens in One Planet work: The case of energy

Part of the Social Justice in the One Planet Region series co-organised with the Community Social Planning Council

- **Victoria Barr** is a Community Health and Equity Consultant and Principal of LevelUp Planning & Consulting. She brings 25 years’ experience as a planner, advocate and researcher, bringing together community planning, well-being and equity. Victoria is passionate about helping communities to become more welcoming and inclusive, through planning processes that foster equity.

April 16th – Bouncing forward to a One Planet Region: Could Covid-19 be a social tipping point?

Because of Covid-19 this will be an online Conversation from 5 - 7 PM using Zoom - details below

In this challenging time we have been talking with Frances Litman of Creatively United for the Planet and Cora Hallsworth of One Planet Saanich about the continuing need to work together to take us towards a more hopeful, sustainable, just, convivial and healthy future, a One Planet Region.

One of the first fruits of this heightened collaboration is that we are re-focusing the next Conversation, April 16th, to address this topic.

- **Trevor Hancock** will start us off with a presentation that reflects – and reflects on - this topic, based on ideas in his most recent columns in the *Times Colonist*.
- **Frances Litman** of Creatively United for the Planet, **Cora Hallsworth** of One Planet Saanich and members of the Board of the Conversations will add their perspective.
- Recording available at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w53whKMc-d8&feature=youtu.be>

May 14th - “Sovereignty becomes sustainability”

- **Dr. Shannon Waters** is a Public Health + Preventive Medicine Physician, Connector and Hope Builder. In her current leadership role as Medical Health Officer for the Cowichan Valley Region at Island Health Shannon works to bring a voice to not only the health of her community but to Mother Earth. Shannon is of Hul’qumi’num ancestry from the Stz’uminus First Nation and a member of the Cowichan Watershed Board.

Learn more at

<https://www.powherhouse.com/shannon-waters-2/>

and see her blog at

<https://www.powherhouse.com/vulnerability/>

- “We are not of the land, we are the land”
- “We have been disconnected from the land, and both we and the land are suffering from this situation.”
- “We need to re-establish this connection through Indigenous co-governance of our lands”
- Recording available at <https://youtu.be/oOcdiZV-7WE>

June 11th - Food System Comeback: The local food economy post-pandemic?

Part of the Social Justice in the One Planet Region series co-organised with the Community Social Planning Council

• Patricia Reichert

- This is a presentation and discussion about the changes that are possible in this region if we choose to build a local food economy based on principles of resilience and social justice.
 - As a local food systems specialist, Patricia Reichert is working with communities to develop place-based food infrastructure. Patricia collaborates with non-government organisations, governments, food producers, grocers, restaurants, and educators to revitalise the local food economy.
 - Patricia is currently a doctoral candidate in the Doctor of Social Sciences program at Royal Roads University. As part of her research she is co-facilitating [Closing the Supply Gap](#), a regional initiative focused on building the local food economy using a values-based short supply chain model. Patricia lives on Salt Spring Island.
- Recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iIBgSutLLMU>

September 24th, 5 – 7 PM – Creating cultural change/evolution

- Key issues about change, what it is and how we bring it about, differing perspectives on societal transformation and cultural change, the potential we have to change ourselves, etc.

Speakers

Trevor Hancock, Jan Inglis, Jasmindra Jawanda

Trevor is a public health physician, and retired in 2018 from his role as a professor and senior scholar at the School of Public Health and Social Policy at the University of Victoria. His work has focused on two key themes: The relationship between human health and the natural environment, and how we can create healthier cities and communities. He now integrates these themes in his work on how to create healthy, sustainable ‘one Planet’

communities. He is the founding President of the Conversations for a One Planet Region and is a member of the Science Advisory Board of the new Cascade Institute at Royal Roads University.

Jan is an independent educator, scholar, and practitioner with a Ph.D. in Social Construction from Tilburg University, and an MSc in Holistic Science from Schumacher College. Pursuing the question of how some people face change and transform the seemingly overwhelming situations they find themselves in, she has applied studies in body-focused psychotherapy, adult development, complexity sciences, citizen engagement, public issue analysis, popular theatre and deliberative democracy. She has written and presented widely on systemic change and complex issues, especially those related to climate change.

Jasmindra is an Urban Planner who is committed to “creating space for people and place” that lead to diverse, inclusive, socially just, sustainable, vibrant and resilient communities. With over 20 years of professional experience, Jasmindra has a varied career involving working in the areas of land use planning, community planning, social planning, cultural/edi planning, environmental planning, gender planning, youth development, and international development. She has worked with diverse and marginalized populations including racialized and Indigenous peoples, immigrants and refugees, youth, women and peoples with diverse abilities. She has a Masters degree in Community and Regional Planning and her thesis was conducted in the Ecuadorian Amazon region.

- Recording available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4jmv7QM2UM0>

October 22nd, 5 - 7 PM - Valuing nature

What would it mean for decision-making if this was a core value - Policy changes and local action

Speakers

Trevor Hancock, Gertie Jocksch, Shannon Waters

Trevor is a public health physician, and retired in 2018 from his role as a professor and senior scholar at the School of Public Health and Social Policy at the University of Victoria. His work has focused on two key themes: The relationship between human health and the natural environment, and how we can create healthier cities and communities. He now integrates these themes in his work on how to create healthy, sustainable ‘one Planet’ communities. He is the founding President of the Conversations for a One Planet Region.

Gertie is a Sister of Charity of Halifax. She holds a Masters of Divinity and a Doctor of Ministry from Regis College and the University of Toronto, Toronto, ON. A passion that has continued to evolve Gertie’s work has been her concern and care for Mother Earth. Presently Gertie coordinates the work of The Living Language Institute Foundation developing Programs in Earth Literacies and facilitating programs; she also teaches in the area of Ecotheology and Ecofeminism.

Shannon is a Public Health + Preventive Medicine Physician, Connector and Hope Builder. In her current leadership role as Medical Health Officer for the Cowichan Valley Region at Island Health, Shannon works to bring a voice to not only the health of her community but to Mother Earth. Shannon is of Hul’qumi’num ancestry from the Stz’uminus First Nation and a member of the Cowichan Watershed Board.

- **Recordings available**
- Part 1 – Hancock - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uf4hjWemJ8Q>
- Part 2 – Jocksch and Waters - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qH_bIHN2Hgo

November 12th, 5 - 7 PM – Valuing community and cooperation

- What would it mean for decision-making if this was a core value - Policy changes and local action
Speakers

Ron Rice, Clare Attwell, Sharmake Dubow,

Ron is from Cowichan Tribes of the Coast Salish Nation and his hereditary name is Wush'q. He has worked with BC Aboriginal Friendship Centres since 1998 and accepted the post as the Executive Director of the Victoria Native Friendship Centre in January 2018.

He loves to plan events; most notably with the Cowichan 2008 North American Indigenous Games where he was the Manager of Cultural Events & Ceremonies and currently plans the Aboriginal Back to School Picnics, in 6-10 communities, province wide.

In 2013 he received an Order in Council appointment to the Board of Governors for Camosun College in Victoria BC; ending his six year term as Board Chair. In September of 2020 he will accept an appointment to the Board of Directors for Island Health.

Clare is a textile and multi-media artist. When she is not working on her own art, she works as a community artist, using the arts in imaginative ways to help community groups explore complex issues such as cultural and spiritual identity, including community visioning. The themes she tackles in her art typically evolve out of her work with community. She is especially interested in exploring what makes complex systems functional, and in particular, how they relate to organizations and social systems. Clare has a Bachelor of Arts and a diploma in Arts Administration. She also serves on the board of COPR.

Sharmarke is a former refugee who fled civil war in Somalia at the age of 8, and spent 20 years seeking safe haven until Canada offered a home in 2012. He cast his first vote in October 20, 2018, and at the same time was elected as a Victoria City Councillor.

His outstanding activism has garnered him various awards and recognition including the Victoria Community Leadership Awards in 2017. At the national level, he was a member of the executive committee of the Canadian Council for Refugees. He has served in various organizations and groups as a volunteer, including the Crime Reduction and Education (CRED) Program Steering Committee for the Pacific Centre Family Services Association and the Victoria Tenant Action Group.

Before moving to Canada, he was a human rights advocate and worked with refugee organizations in North Africa. His passion and commitment to diversity, inclusion, and building equitable, inclusive and compassionate communities and his work for marginalized communities earned recognition and respect as a community leader and a voice for bold and courageous policies. He is tireless in his efforts to build relationships, collaborate and bring people together to improve the well-being of communities.

- **Recording available at** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXXKP_m2t0Zs

December 10th, 5 – 7 PM - Valuing quality of life

- What would it mean for decision-making if this was a core value - Policy changes and local action

Speakers

Gary Pemberton, Raphael Divi

Gary is a Neighbourhood Advisor with the City of Victoria's Neighbourhood Team. The Team aims to empower residents to shape their community by working with neighbourhood groups and residents to help create vibrant neighbourhoods. One of its important programs is the 'My Great Neighbourhood' grant program, which helps residents animate public space, develop and enhance a sense of community and leave a positive legacy in their neighbourhoods.

Gary has been with the City for over 10 years and is skilled in neighbourhood development, community leadership and placemaking. He is a facilitator for the 'My Great Neighbourhood' grant program and Neighbourhood Liaison for the Oaklands community, among others.

Raphael (Didier) Vincent grew up in Port-Au Prince, Haiti as the middle child in a family of five brothers. The family left Haiti when he was at the age of 10, arriving in Victoria in the spring of 2008. Growing up, Raphael was inspired by his father, Alain Vincent, a hardworking pharmacist and business owner who would paint during his downtime, and by the family's non-profit organization "The Daily Dose Society".

From the many perspectives of unspoken stories through his father's artwork, Raphael developed a unique way of expression through various art mediums. Raphael wants to use his art to create healing in our communities. In particular, Raphael works with youth and communities to co-create art representing the magnificent chaotic orchestra of the shared human experience. See his website at <https://www.theunitymandala.com/landing>

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