

EnviroLunch Series

A Bates community gathering around environmental topics.

THURSDAYS • 12:10-12:55pm • NC rm 221

PIZZA PROVIDED!

September 17 — Bike and Write: Into Iceland's Threatened and Threatening Landscapes

Chad Frisbie will talk about his experience as an Otis Fellow. The purpose of the Otis Fellowship program is to encourage Bates students to explore and reflect upon new adventures and innovative ways to understand, appreciate, and express our interdependencies with the earth in the tradition of Phil Otis ('95).

September 24 — Project 350

Project 350 is an international effort to focus the world's attention on climate change through coordinated local actions around the globe. It's a call for social activism and campuses, residents, businesses and non-profits are organizing around it with visual displays of "350," educational forums, celebratory fairs, arts, bike rides, etc. all leading up to and on Oct 24. Come find out how to get involved in the L/A effort!

October 1— Scotland: The Traditions of Sustainability Folklore & Organic Farming

Kaitlin Webber will talk about her experience as an Otis Fellow. The purpose of the Otis Fellowship program is to encourage Bates students to explore and reflect upon new adventures and innovative ways to understand, appreciate, and express our interdependencies with the earth in the tradition of Phil Otis ('95).

October 8 — Androscoggin County farm Guide

Promoting Healthy Eating includes letting people know where to find it. Our County has a wealth of farmers producing excellent food! Come hear about how a Bates Environmental student & Healthy Androscoggin teamed up to create a local farm guide. Presentation by Marion Browning, Worksite Wellness Coordinator for Healthy Androscoggin.

October 15 *in Skelton Lounge — Poetry Reading by Jonathan Skinner

Jonathan Skinner will read selections of his poetry, and pieces from the journal *ecopoetics*: cactus poems, sound poems, "warblers" and other bird compositions. Can poetry be an instrument for understanding the other-than-human world? Do birds make us sing in funny ways?

October 29 — Yukon Bound: The Passage and Presence of Humans in a Last Great Wilderness

William Loopesko and Russell Milholland will talk about their experience as Otis Fellows. The purpose of the Otis Fellowship program is to encourage Bates students to explore and reflect upon new adventures and innovative ways to understand, appreciate, and express our interdependencies with the earth in the tradition of Phil Otis ('95).

November 5 — Energy - What makes Bates a Leader?

Paul Farnsworth, Project Manager and Chair of Bates' newly formed Energy Task Force will talk about how we use energy on campus, what we're doing to make our operations more efficient, and how we plan to conserve energy going forward.

November 12 — Film: *Liveable Landscapes: By Chance Or By Choice?*

This film explores the connection between landscape and community in Northern New England and how growth and sprawl affect quality of life. Produced by Melissa Paly, Cross Currents Productions, Portsmouth, NH. Film is 55 min.

November 19 — Save Energy and Money at Home!

Efficiency Maine will lead a presentation on low-cost/no-cost techniques to reduce your heating and other energy expenses at home, and an overview of alternative energy sources and financial incentives available for installing them.

December 3 & 10 — ENVR 417 Capstone Presentations

12/3 "Assessment of Food Production Capacity within Androscoggin County" & "Investigation of Models of Urban Farms"
12/10 "Emergency Food Resources, Nutrition, and Availability" & "Government-Sponsored Food Programs and Urban Agriculture"

The EnviroLunch is sponsored by the Environmental Studies Program and the Office of the Environmental Coordinator.