

'Presence' Schedule of Talks

Saturday, March 26

- 2:15 pm Opening talk, Karen Carriere, 10 min
- 3:00 pm Worldwide Web of Belief and Ritual, TED talk, 20 min
Anthropologist Wade Davis muses on the worldwide web of belief and ritual that makes us human
- 3:30 pm Peak Everything, DVD, 28 min
Interview with David Heinberg, America's foremost peak oil educator, who wakes us up to the century of declines and offers his suggestions
- 4:00 pm Rob Hopkins, Transition Towns, TED talk, 16 min
The founder of the Transition movement, with a radically hopeful and community-driven approach to creating societies independent of fossil fuels

Wednesday, March 30

- 12:00 pm 'Loving the Earth,' Tara Brach streamed audio, 50 min
Dharma (meditation) talk
- artist on site 12-1 pm

Saturday, April 2 Economics of Happiness

- 2:00 pm Learning From Cuba's Response to Peak Oil, streamed video, 30 min
Interview with Meagan Quinn, producer of film 'The Power of Community: How Cuba Survived Peak Oil'
- 2:45 pm Your Money, Your Life, Your Happiness,' streamed video, 30 min
Interview with Vicki Robin, author of 'Your Money or Your Life,' who examines assumptions about money and freeing up life energy to invest in what matters most
- 3:00 pm Pathways to Relocalization, Joel Salatin, streamed video, 30 min
Front-line local-food activist, regenerative-silvo-pastoral-profitable-Permaculture farmer, sought-after speaker, marketing guru, agricultural innovator, eco-prophet
- 3:45 pm Transforming a Community Through Local Business, DVD, 30 min
Michelle Long talks about the highly successful local independent business network that has transformed Bellingham WA

Wednesday, April 6

- 12:00 pm In-Body Presence, Sharda Rogell, streamed audio, 60 min
Dharma (meditation) talk
- artist on site 12-1 pm

Saturday, April 9 Biodiversity

- 1:30 pm The Need for Agricultural Biodiversity, streamed video, 30 min

Can we survive if we lose forever the genetically diverse, wild and weedy ancestors of our valuable food crops?

- 2:00 pm 'A Farm for the Future Part 1-5,' streamed video, 50 min
BBC documentary- rethinking conventional agriculture on the family farm; the challenges and opportunities of the global farming and food crisis
- 3:00 - 4:00 pm 'Where You At?' Karen Paquette, South Nation Conservation, 60 min
Karen P. leads us through a fun, informal quiz on our bioregional flora and fauna

Wednesday, April 13

- 12:00 pm 'Presence - Process & Materials,' Karen Carriere, 45 min
- artist on site 12-1 pm

Saturday, April 16 Permaculture: A System of Sustainable Design

- 2:00 pm 'The Growing Edge,' DVD, 45 min
Exploring real community solutions to our grave ecological crisis
- 3:00 pm 'Permaculture Ethics and Design Principles, DVD, 85 min
Originator David Holmgren gives an inspiring overview of permaculture ethics and principles that can be applied to every aspect of life

Wednesday, April 20

- 12:00 pm 'More for Less,' Karen Carriere 45 min
Wide ranging tips for living well while using fewer resources
- artist on site 12-1 pm

Saturday, April 23 Food Security

- 1:30 pm 'Claiming the Commons,' streamed video, 30 min
Food for life on Haultain Boulevard- feeding a neighbourhood while creating community
- 2:15 pm Polyface Farm Part 1-3, streamed video, 90 min
Tour the truly amazing farm of agricultural innovator Joel Salatin
- 4:00 - 5:00 pm Growing Vegetables in Containers, Jen Mattice
Ease into vegetable growing with Jen's expert presentation on growing in tubs

Wednesday, April 27

- 12 pm Coming to Our Senses, streamed video, 60 min
An inspiring talk by Jon Kabat-Zinn, author of 'Coming to Our Senses, Healing Ourselves and the World Through Mindfulness'
- artist on site 12-1 pm