



JULY EVENTS

GreenHomeNYC events are back! As we stay safe at home, please join us on Zoom!

Green Careers Vocational Green Careers



Date: July 7, 2020
Time: 6:30 - 8:00PM EDT
Location: Online

Most of New York City was built before “sustainability” was even a word, and yet we’ve got plans to transform it into the most environmentally friendly city in America. Retrofitting buildings, greening the grid, installing solar, and more will require a lot of people in boots making it a reality. Join us to talk about the trades, crafts, and the education needed to be part of what promises to be a huge workforce of green collar jobs.

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Monthly Forum Urban Heat Island and Covid-19 - A Perfect Storm?



Date: July 15, 2020
Time: 6:30 - 8:00PM EDT
Location: Online

What policies are being devised to assist people who are confined to small apartments when temperatures top 90°F?

Thankfully, temperatures thus far this summer have not been too uncomfortable. But what policies are being devised to assist people who are confined to small, crowded apartments, with no air conditioning? What are the environmental justice issues that should be considered, NOW, since opening community centers and shelters is contraindicated in the era of Covid-19?

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FEATURE ARTICLES



*Earth Day, April 22, 1970.
(AP Photo/Toby Massey)*

The Intersection of COVID and Climate: What Have We Learned?

By Kaitlyn Pohly

In a post-quarantine, shelter-in-place, mask-wearing world, what does the fate of our climate look like? Amidst all of this upheaval, it’s hard to remember that just half a year ago sustainability was a rising priority on the public’s agenda; the debate about the climate and its subsequent socioeconomic implications was gaining momentum.

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Interview: Reducing Greenhouse Gases from Buildings—Filling the Skills Gap

By Jude Jussim

Tom Sahagian knows there’s no time left to dawdle in controlling the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from New York City’s buildings. The problem: There’s a shortage of people with the right skills to do it. Sahagian is not talking about policy wonks.

“The life of the mind is not what’s going to get us to solving the climate crisis. Pontificating doesn’t do it. You need people who can actually physically do what’s required.”

Sahagian, a GreenHomeNYC board member with many years of experience as an energy efficiency consultant, believes that to dramatically decrease building-generated GHGs, the city’s buildings will have to be powered with clean electricity (e.g. wind or solar) rather than fossil fuels.

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Film Review: The Story of Plastic

By Tamanna Mohapatra

This documentary is in the same vein as the other popular “The Story Of...” series that first came to the public’s attention from founder Annie Leonard in 2007. I remember being very influenced by ‘The Story of Stuff.’ This movie is no different. The opening scene is a bit jarring yet somehow familiar...islands of dirty plastic with people swarming through it. The folks handling the heaps of plastic seem somewhat resigned to this fate.

What is the Story of Plastic? Where does it come from? Why is it so ubiquitous? What, if anything, can we do about it? These are some of the questions this documentary explores in some urgent depth.

For most of us who know the implications of too much plastic in our lives, this movie is a great reminder of why we should keep at the fight, even if it is as the movie describes, “trying to remove water one teaspoon at a time while the tub is being filled with the tap fully open.”

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Calling volunteers!

We are currently seeking marketing, PR, and outreach volunteers to help us promote our events.

Marketing and public relations experience preferred but not required. Contact us if interested!

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Build your skills, enhance your credibility, and grow your network by becoming a GreenHomeNYC volunteer.

We need volunteers for:

- Planning, outreach, and follow-up for our Monthly Forums, Green Careers, and Green Building Tours events.
- Writing, photography and graphic design for our blog, newsletter, website, and educational materials.
- Social media outreach and videography.

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