



Conversation Stories with Maine Environmental Filmmaker Bridget Besaw

Please join us for a presentation of a series of Besaw's short films about conservation in Maine. Each presentation will be followed by Q&A. This is the first event in Portland's Sustainability Series co-hosted by the Portland Public Library and the Southern Maine Conservation Collaborative.

Wednesday, August 24th, 2016

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Rines Auditorium, Portland Public Library

Main Library at 5 Monument Square, Portland, ME

FREE and open to the public

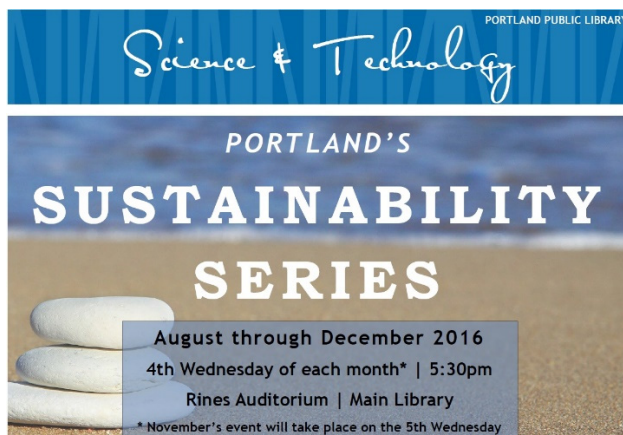
Bridget Besaw is the founder of Seedlight Pictures, where she produces advocacy film and photography for environmental stories. The subjects of her two photo books, *Wildness Within* and *From the Land*, serve as a spring-board for her film projects about wilderness preservation and food sustainability. Bridget's current film project, *The Mountain and the Magic City*, is on the national park debate in northern Maine. She will show a few short films on projects past and present, including a story from her most recent film for Maine Farmland Trust called, *Growing Local*.



Portland's Sustainability Series: Leading Community Conversations on Maine's Changing Climate

Sustainability (from sustain and ability) is the endurance of systems and processes through time. The Portland Sustainability Series will present a diversity of speakers to share different aspects of the work moving Maine to greater endurance and sustainability. Please join the Portland Public Library and the Southern Maine Conservation Collaborative as we engage in these important issues and conversations.

Mark Your Calendar: The August 24th Bridget Besaw presentation is the first in a series of events that SMCC is co-hosting with the Portland Public Library. From August through December 2016 on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. please join us at the Rines Auditorium in the Main Library located at 5 Monument Square, Portland, ME. (Note: November's event will take place on the 5th Wednesday on November 30th).



Aug. 24 | Conservation Stories with Maine Environmental Filmmaker Bridget Besaw
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Sept. 28 | Oil Spills & Nutrients in the Warming Arctic Ocean
Ben Twining and Chris Aepli will share their research on how the reaction of microbes to oil spills is affected by climate change.

Oct. 26 | Trees, Not Treatment: Conserving Forests is a Natural Method of Water Treatment
Paul Hunt, Environmental Manager from Portland Water District, will demonstrate the importance of forest conservation for the treatment of our water.

Nov. 30 | Synthetic Biology & Conservation
Join Kent H. Redford, accomplished conservationist with Archipelago Consulting, for a look at the innovative field of synthetic biology.

To learn more visit:

Portland Public Library at: www.portlandlibrary.com

Southern Maine Conservation Collaborative at: www.southernmaineconservation.org