

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Southern Maine Conservation Collaborative Workshop with Peter Forbes



“The outcomes of “community conservation” are more resilient, healthier communities more closely connected to the land, and a conservation movement that transcends its privileged roots to be in service to more Americans.” - Peter Forbes

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WORKSHOP FOR SMCC MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

As a follow up to the SMCC Fall Regional evening event, Peter Forbes will be hosting a day long in-depth workshop for SMCC member organizations. The workshop will facilitate a day of learning focused on strengthening our abilities to engage community support. Peter has worked with groups all over the country and will present examples of programs that have had great success. Additionally, we will look at the power of our Collaboration and the impact our network can make. This workshop is being funded by a grant from the Sewall Foundation.

PETER FORBES GUEST SPEAKER

A life-long student and advocate for the relationship between people and place. He has worked with many different people in very different geography from remote Nepal to the Rocky Mountains to central Harlem, New York. His life as an emergency medical technician, photographer, political consultant, author, father, farmer, and facilitator combine unusual aspects of the very practical with the wildly visionary to produce work that has been helpful to a variety of sectors: conservation, leadership development, sustainability, philanthropy, ethics, and social ventures.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND 2013 • 9AM-4PM LAUDHOLM FARM, WELLS, MAINE

The invitational workshop is open to Southern Maine Conservation Member Organizations, up to 4 participants from each group. We encourage 3 or 4 representatives from each group to attend: The President of the Board, the SMCC Representative, the Key Staff Person (if applicable), and/or another Board Member. The event will be held at Mather Auditorium, Wells Reserve, 342 Laudholm Road, Wells, ME. For directions visit: www.wellsreserve.org Please RSVP by October 28th. Space is Limited. Email: conservationcollaborative@gmail.com

WELLS RESERVE AT LAUDHOLM FARM

In 1978, local citizens concerned about the fate of Laudholm Farm banded together to protect the historic landscape and structures. In 1982 they formed the nonprofit organization Laudholm Trust. By 1986 they had rallied Town, State, and Federal support, formed key partnerships, and celebrated the dedication of the Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve. Now on the National Registry of Historic places, the Laudholm Farm Complex was preserved for a purpose. Today it is headquarters for the Wells Reserve.