Autumn 2023 Day 2 Capstone Symposium
FISHERIES LOBBY & AUDITORIUM, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6th

4:30-4:40 PM .................................................................................................................................. Welcome & Housekeeping

4:40-5:10 PM .......................................................................................................................Poster Highlights & Refreshments

Amelie Gahagan: GOING WITH THE FLOW: HARNESING SOCIAL NORMS FOR REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE ADOPTION. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Liesel Hans, Alliance for Water Efficiency. UW Advisor: Sergey Rabotyagov, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, UW

Patrick Harper: ROOTS OF CHANGE: ACTIONS PLANT CONSERVATORIES & BOTANICAL GARDENS CAN TAKE TO SHARE PLANT KNOWLEDGE IN MORE CULTURALLY INCLUSIVE WAYS. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: KL Bentrup and Lauren Moore, Friends of the Conservatory. UW Advisor: Brittany Johnson, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, UW


Matthew Mason: USING REBATES TO PROTECT OUR WATERS: INCREASING EQUITABLE UTILIZATION IN THE RAINWISE REBATE PROGRAM FOR DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Jenny Heins, Sustainable Ballard. UW Advisor: Sergey Rabotyagov, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, UW

Caitlin Naqvi: ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION: EXPANDING ACCESS HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Julia Glassy, Fiddleheads Forest School. UW Advisor: Tim Billo, Program on the Environment, UW

Erin Schobbe: CONVENTIONS, CARBON, AND CENTRALITY: METHODS FOR REDUCING EMISSIONS FROM TRAVEL IN THE EVENT AND CONVENTION INDUSTRY. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Robert Gottschalk, AQ Green TeC. UW Advisor: Caitlin Ainsley, Department of Political Science, UW

Rhea Shinde: THE ROLE OF SOCIAL NORMS IN WATER CONSERVATION BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Liesel Hans, Alliance for Water Efficiency. Salar Jahedi, Affiliate Professor, Economics, UW and Principal Economist, Amazon

Charlotte Till: BEAVERS: AGRICULTURE’S FOE TURNED FRIEND. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Linda Lyshall, Snohomish Conservation District. UW Advisor: Clare Ryan, Environmental and Forest Science, College of the Environment, UW

Maysen Westling: BE A GOOD SPORT, DON’T FORGET TO SORT: BEST PRACTICES FOR WASTE DIVERSION PROGRAMS IN SPORTS STADIUMS. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Karen Baebler, University of Washington Athletics. UW Advisor: Kristi Straus, Program on the Environment, UW


5:20-5:25 PM .......................................................................................................................... Introduction for Lightning Talks
5:25 PM Keya Roy: MYCO-FILTRATION FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND CIRCULARITY. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Tatiana Brown, University of Washington Campus Sustainability Fund. UW Advisor: Ken Yocom, Landscape Architecture, UW
5:35 PM Ezra Thomason: FROM FIELDS TO TABLES: THE POWER OF FOOD PRESERVATION IN GLEANING ORGANIZATIONS.
Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Bennett Walkes, City Fruit. UW Advisor: Yona Sipos, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, UW

5:45 PM Arianna Fardad: SMALL BUT MIGHTY: FORAGE FISH SIGNAL THE NEED FOR SHORELINE RESTORATION IN THE PUGET SOUND. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Bianca Perla, Vashon Nature Center. UW Advisor: Jason Toft, Principle Research Scientist, Wetland Ecosystem Team, School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences, UW


6:05 PM Aliyah Recasner: TRANSIT-ORIENTED-DEVELOPMENT (TOD): A BLESSING OR ROADMAP TO GENTRIFICATION?. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Arthur Bachus, Seattle Subway Foundation. UW Advisor: Kessie Alexandre, Department of Geography, UW

6:15 PM Lucy Toner: FROM THE GROUND UP: HOW TO INCORPORATE COMMUNITY VOICES ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE INTO THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Arthur Bachus, Seattle Subway Foundation. UW Advisor: Lawrence Watters, Guest Faculty in Environmental Law, UW

6:40 PM Lyn Tampi: TO BETTER SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES: INFORMING GOVERNMENT STAFF ON CONNECTIONS BETWEEN CLIMATE CHANGE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Vicky Raya, King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks. UW Advisor: Meagan Doll, Department of Communication, UW


7:00 PM Lauren Church: CONSERVE TO PRESERVE: HOW CITIES AND CITIZENS CAN COLLABORATE TO PROTECT WATER RESOURCES. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Kirsten Harma, Chehalis Basin Partnership. UW Advisor: Kristi Straus, Program on the Environment, UW

7:10 PM Isabella Garrido: CO-PRODUCING HOPE: EXPLORING THE BENEFITS AND CHALLENGES OF COMMUNITY-ENGAGED LEARNING IN UNIVERSITIES TO ENHANCE CLIMATE RESILIENCE. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Zackery Thill, Climate Impacts Group, University of Washington. UW Advisor: Megan Ybarra, Department of Geography, UW

7:20 PM Tiffany Shin: SAVING THE ENDANGERED BLACK ABALONE: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TRANSLOCATIONS AND CHARACTERIZING JUVENILE RECRUITMENT HABITAT. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Susan Wang, National Marine Fisheries Service, West Coast Region. UW Advisor: Lawrence Watters, Guest Faculty in Environmental Law, UW

7:30 PM Riley Ramirez: TACKLING TRASH: UNDERSTANDING HUMAN WASTE BEHAVIOR IN HUSKY STADIUM. Site Supervisor & Host Organization: Karen Baebler, UW Athletics. UW Advisor: Christian Primack Metcalfe, Foster School of Business, University of Washington

7:40 PM – 8:30 PM ................................................................. Conclusion of Symposium & Celebration Continues in Lobby

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