

Press Release 25 September 2013

Top Names Speak At

Resurgence & Ecologist Festival of Wellbeing

The Bishopsgate Institute, 230 Bishopsgate, London EC4M 4QH Saturday 12 October 2013: 10am – 6pm

Tickets: www.resurgence.org/wellbeing or 01237 441293

Acclaimed speakers from the worlds of ecology, faith and the economy will explore environmental, spiritual and economic wellbeing on 12 October at Resurgence & Ecologist's Festival of Wellbeing in London's Bishopsgate Institute.

Speakers include Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury and Master of Magdalene College, Cambridge, Vandana Shiva, campaigner for farmers' rights, Tony Juniper, author of *What Has Nature Done For Us?* and Richard Wilkinson, author of *The Spirit Level*.

The following are the speakers and the titles talks:

Juliet Davenport, chief executive of Good Energy on 'Putting energy into wellbeing'

Alys Fowler, weekly columnist on gardening for *The Guardian* on 'On Growing Happy – how beauty and biodiversity is central to our wellbeing'

Lynne Franks, creator of Seed Network on 'A WELL Society – Women's Education, Literacy to Leadership

Tony Juniper, environmentalist on 'Natural Health Service'

Satish Kumar, environmental and peace activist on 'Soil, Soul and Society'

Ben Okri, poet and Booker-prize-winning novelist

Tamsin Omond, environmental activist on 'Campaigning, corporates and climate change: a line in the sand'

Ruth Padel, poet and novelist

Edward Skidelsky, co-author of How Much is Enough? on 'Genuine Leisure'

Vandana Shiva, campaigner on 'Seed Freedom'

Richard Wilkinson, co-founder of The Equality Trust on 'Inequality, Sustainability and a Higher Quality of Life'

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Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury on 'What the body knows?'

Theodore Zeldin, Philosopher and author of An Intimate History of Humanity on 'A More

interesting future'

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Satish Kumar, editor-in-chief of Resurgence & Ecologist says: "A new vision of wellbeing is on

the horizon. Together with sustainability, resilience, deep ecology and Gaia we need to

embrace an inclusive and holistic concept of wellbeing. Our Festival of Wellbeing will explore

the shift from economic growth to growth in wellbeing and we are honoured to have such a

wonderful line of experts speaking at the event."

The event will also include classical Indian dance from Khavita Kaur and live music from

Sophie Stammers and Anne Malone.

Tickets can be booked via www.resurgence.org/wellbeing or 01237 441293.

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